

MATH 3705*A Fall 2022 Course Outline

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Mathematical Methods I

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Textbook: Mathematical Methods and Boundary Value Problems, Fifth Edition, by S. Melkonian. The textbook is available at the Campus Bookstore. The fourth edition may be used. Any earlier edition is very different for the last two.

E-book at <https://campusebookstore.com/EBooks/Book.aspx?ID=9689104>

Lectures: begin on Thursday, September 8, and then every Tuesday and Thursday 2:35 - 3:55 pm, in 360 TB (Tory Building).

Tutorials: begin: TBA. A Teaching Assistant (TA) will be present, to answer questions and to administer the tests. The class is subdivided into the tutorial groups alphabetically, according to the last names. It is absolutely necessary that the students attend the tutorial groups they assigned to, as the number of test papers is limited to the number of students in each group. The subdivision, the classrooms and the TAs for this course are: TBA

Evaluation:

(1) Term Mark 45% (4 tests, 3 best count)

(2) Final Examination 55%.

Term mark : There will be four tests in the regular tutorial hours on **September 27, October 18, November 8 and 22**. Students are expected to take all four tests; the best three will be counted. There will be **ABSOLUTELY NO** make-up tests as we do not have the resources to provide such services. This is the reason why the students are allowed to miss one test without penalty. **The instructor will not answer any emails from the students asking about the possibilities of make-up tests.** In case when a student misses **more than one test** due to illness (supported by a doctor note) jury duty or extreme personal misfortune, the term mark may be pro-rated. It is each student's responsibility to collect the marked tests from the TA. The test papers are normally distributed in the tutorial session following the date of the test.

Final Examination: This is a 3-hour exam scheduled by the University. The exam is taking place during the period of December 10 to 22 (including weekends). It is each student's responsibility to be available at the time of the examination. In particular, no travel plans should be made until the examination schedule is published. It is each student's responsibility to find out the correct date and time of the exam and the room where it takes place. To pass this course, a student must obtain at least 50% of total and at least 30% of the final exam mark. Students who missed the examination may be eligible for a deferred exam, provided that they present a doctor note or another supporting document to the Registrar's Office. It is the Registrar's Office (not the course Instructor!) which makes the decision of granting a deferred examination. After the deferred exam is written, all questions should be directed to the School of Mathematics and Statistics and not to the Instructor.

Calculators: Non-programmable calculators are allowed for tests and the exam.

Academic Accommodation: You may need special arrangements to meet your academic obligations during the term because of disability, pregnancy or religious obligations. You can visit the Equity Services web site to view the policies and to obtain more detailed information on academic accommodation at <http://carleton.ca/equity/accommodation>

Academic Accommodations for Students with Disabilities: The Paul Menton Centre for Students with Disabilities (PMC) provides services to students with Learning Disabilities (LD), psychiatric/mental health disabilities, Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD), Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD), chronic medical conditions, and impairments in mobility, hearing, and vision. If you have a disability requiring academic accommodations in this course, please contact PMC at 613-520-6608 or pmc@carleton.ca for a formal

evaluation. If you are already registered with the PMC, contact your PMC coordinator to send me your Letter of Accommodation at the beginning of the term, and no later than two weeks before the first in-class scheduled test or exam requiring accommodation (if applicable). Please consult the PMC website for the deadline to request accommodations for the formally-scheduled exam (if applicable).

Feeling sick? Remaining vigilant and not attending work or school when sick or with symptoms is critically important. If you feel ill or exhibit COVID-19 symptoms do not come to class or campus. If you feel ill or exhibit symptoms while on campus or in class, please leave campus immediately. In all situations, you must follow Carleton symptom reporting protocols

Masks: Carleton has paused the COVID-19 Mask Policy, but continues to strongly recommend masking when indoors, particularly if physical distancing cannot be maintained. It may become necessary to quickly reinstate the mask requirement if pandemic circumstances were to change.

Vaccines: Further, while proof of vaccination is no longer required as of May 1 to attend campus or in-person activity, it may become necessary for the University to bring back proof of vaccination requirements on short notice if the situation and public health advice changes. Students are strongly encouraged to get a full course of vaccination, including booster doses as soon as they are eligible, and submit their booster dose information in cuScreen as soon as possible. Please note that Carleton cannot guarantee that it will be able to offer virtual or hybrid learning options for those who are unable to attend the campus.

All members of the Carleton community are required to follow requirements and guidelines regarding health and safety which may change from time to time. For the most recent information about Carleton's COVID-19 response and health and safety requirements please see the

University's COVID-19 website and review the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs). Should you have additional questions after reviewing, please contact covidinfo@carleton.ca.

List of topics:

1 The Laplace Transform, Lectures 1 – 5

- 1.1 Introduction
- 1.2 Further Properties and Initial-Value Problems
- 1.3 Convolutions and Generalized Functions

2 Series Solutions of Ordinary Differential Equations, Lectures 6 – 10

- 2.1 Basic Concepts
- 2.2 Solutions About Ordinary Points
- 2.3 Solutions About Regular Singular Points
 - 2.3.1 Cauchy-Euler Equations
 - 2.3.2 The General Equation $y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = 0$
 - 2.3.3 Bessel's Equation

3 Fourier Series, Lectures 11 – 12

- 3.1 Periodic Functions
- 3.2 Functions Defined on Finite Intervals

4 Partial Differential Equations, Lectures 13 – 17

- 4.1 The Heat Equation
 - 4.1.1 The Bar with Zero Boundary Conditions
 - 4.1.2 The Bar with Nonzero Boundary Conditions
 - 4.1.3 The Bar with Insulated Ends
- 4.2 The Wave Equation
- 4.3 Laplace's Equation
 - 4.3.1 Solutions Within Rectangular Regions, Polynomial Solutions
 - 4.3.2 Regions with Circular Boundaries, Solutions Inside a Circle, Solutions Outside a Circle, Solutions Within an Annulus

5 Sturm-Liouville Problems, Lectures 18 – 21

5.1 Regular and Periodic Problems

5.1.1 General Theory

5.2 Singular Problems

5.2.1 Bessel's Equation

5.2.2 The Vibrating Membrane

6 The Fourier Transform, Lectures 22 – 24

6.1 Fundamental Properties

6.2 Applications

6.2.1 Partial Differential Equations, The Heat Equation on $(-\infty, \infty)$

Exercises

Section 1.1: 1-7

Section 1.2: 1-23

Section 1.3: 1-11

Section 2.1: 1-3

Section 2.2: 1-11

Section 2.3: 1-15

Section 3.1: 1-8

Section 3.2: 1-17

Section 4.1: 1-9

Section 4.2: 1-5

Section 4.3: 1-11

Section 5.1: 1-13

Section 5.2: 1-14

Section 6.1: 1-22

Section 6.2: 1-4