**MATH 3800 E**

Mathematical Modeling and Computational Methods

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**Lectures:** Tuesdays and Thursdays 13:00 - 14:30 in 101 AT

**Labs:** (the Labs will start the week of January 13th)

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**References:**
(i) *A First Course in Mathematical Modeling (5th Ed)* by Giordano, Fox and Horton  
(ii) *Applied Numerical Methods (with Matlab) for Engineers and Scientists (4th Ed)* by Chapra

**Prerequisites:** i) MATH 1107 or MATH 1104; ii) MATH 1005 or MATH 2007; and iii) knowledge of a computer language.

**Course Contents:** In this course, we will study Mathematical Modeling. What exactly that means will be one of the topics we discuss. We will look at discrete, continuous and random processes, difference equations and differential equations. We will also study the numerical methods that come up along the way.

**Evaluation:** Your course grade will be determined by the following formula:

- The final exam will count 50% and will be held during the Exam Period (April 13th - 25th).
- There will be two 80-minute midterm tests worth 15% each. The tests will be held in the lecture periods on Thursday, February 6th and Thursday, March 19th. If you miss a test, its weight will transfer to the final exam.
• There will be 4 assignments worth a total of 20%. The due dates will be January 23rd, February 13th, March 12th and April 2nd. **You must indicate your Lab Section on the front page of your assignments (failure to do so may result in your assignment not being marked).**

**Calculators:** You will need a basic scientific calculator for the tests and final exams. If you have a graphing and/or programmable calculator, you may find it useful for the assignments, but you will not be permitted to use it on the exams.

**Academic Accomodations:**

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