University of Washington Math 308F Winter 2017 General Information

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Text: Linear Algebra with Applications, by Jeffrey Holt. You may purchase a hard copy of this book at the University Bookstore or use the electronic version that comes with Webassign.

Homework: Homework will be done on Webassign. Go to my website and click on "Webassign Information" if you are unfamiliar with it. I will try, after each lecture, to indicate on my website which problems you should be able to do. However, it is your responsibility to keep track of homework due dates on Webassign, as homework due days may vary. You may need a basic scientific calculator for your homework, but calculators will not be allowed on tests.

In addition, most weeks you will be assigned a few problems from the "Discussion Problems" list on my website. These will be discussed in the following week in your Tuesday recitation section. Although these problems will not be turned in for grading, you are responsible for understanding them. (Most of these are in fact problems from old exams.)

N.B. Do not use the messaging feature on Webassign to send me a message, as I do not check it.

Exams: There will be two midterms and a final exam. The midterms will be given in class and are tentatively scheduled for Friday, January 27 and Wednesday, February 22. The final exam will be on Thursday, March 16 from 8:30–10:20 AM. Make-ups to the midterms will not be given. Only under unavoidable emergencies (e.g., illness, death in family) will you be allowed to miss an exam without penalty. Such emergencies should be documented if at all possible. Note, however, that if you take an exam you cannot claim illness as an excuse for doing poorly. In certain

other situations (e.g., athletic meets, family obligations), you may arrange to take an exam early. This must, however, be set up well in advance and does not apply to the final. (*Do not make any arrangements to leave town before March 16.*) I will follow the procedures outlined in the Examination Guidelines (look under Academic Calendar and Final Exam Schedule) in dealing with final exam absences.

Grading:

Homework: 10% Midterm 1: 25% Midterm 2: 25% Final: 40%

The grade of I (incomplete) will be given only under the conditions in the *University of Washington General Catalog* (under "Grading Systems").