Math 250B - Linear Algebra and Differential Equations
Spring 2007            Ticket # 20194

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Class meets:
Room 1403      Room 627-03
MW 6-7:50pm     Hours: MW 11:30-11:50am, 8-8:30pm, Tu 4-6:50pm
or by appointment

Office hours:

Materials:   Textbook: Linear Algebra and Differential Equations by S. Plett
scientific calculator (no graphing calculator allowed)
optional text: Advanced Engineering Mathematics, Kreyszig

Homework: Homework will be assigned once a week. The lowest two scores including zeros for missed
assignments will be dropped. Late assignments count half credit until the next class meeting after its due date.
After that late assignments will not be accepted. You may drop any homework off in my office before that class
during which it is due, or scan and email it before class.
FOLLOW the homework format policy! No Credit for HW in the wrong format.

Exams: There will be three midterm exams and one comprehensive final exam. If your final exam percentage
exceeds your lowest midterm percentage it will be replaced. If you know you will be absent for a midterm or
the final, you can schedule to take it individually ahead of time. Contact me by email, voicemail or in person at
least 2 class days before the scheduled exam. If you miss a midterm due to unforeseen circumstance, you may
(at my discretion) be able to make it up within two days. Contact me immediately. Any midterms that are not
made-up will receive a zero score. If you miss the final due to an emergency, you may petition to receive a
grade of “I”, incomplete, which can be made up within one year.
Exam/Homework grading Policy: If you do not complete at least 70% of the HW covered on a test, I
WILL NOT grade your test for partial credit!

All exams may be free style, true/false and/or multiple choice. All work (including homework) will be graded
for completeness of shown work. If I can’t read it, it’s not there, so be neat. In both homework and exams,
please underline you final answer. Don’t forget to put your name and student ID number on your work. Some
exams may be calculator free.

Resources: There are many resources available to students. You can come see me for help during my office
hours or by appointment. You can also get help at the Student Services math tutoring center (2nd floor of the
2000 building) or in the Disabled Student Center for math tutoring (room 804).

Grading policy: You will receive a grade no worse than the following
Homework      Midterms      Final
20%           45%           35%
A 90-100%     B 80-89%     C 70-79%
   D 60-69%

Course content: This course includes Matrix Arithmetic and Algebra, Vector Spaces, First-order

Pre-requisites: Math 250A or equivalent with a grade of “C” or better

Attendance: Attendance is mandatory. If you miss more than six hours of class, you may be dropped from
the course. Arriving late or leaving early counts as a one hour absence. If the instructor is late students must
wait 15min before leaving unless otherwise notified by the division.

Academic Honesty: Refer to the course catalog for the college policy. If you are caught cheating you will
receive a zero for that exam, which cannot be dropped. You may also receive an “F” for the course.

ADA Statement: Fullerton College is committed to providing educational accommodations for students
with disabilities upon timely request by the student to the instructor. Verification of the disability must also be
provided. Disability Support Services functions as a resource for students and faculty in the determination and
provision of the accommodations.