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LECTURE: MWF 9:10-10:00 BLOC 160  
TEXT: *Linear Algebra with Applications* S. Leon  
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GRADING:	POINTS:	DATES:
EXAM 1	100	Mar 3, Chs. 1-3
EXAM 2	100	Apr 7, Chs. 4-5
FINAL EXAM	200	Fri 5/5 8:00-10:00 BLOC 160 Chs. 1-6
HW/Quiz	100	
TOTAL	500	

I may *curve* any grade or the total and will then compute the course grade from the following table:

A= 450-500 points	C= 350-399 points	F= 0 -299 points
B= 400-449 points	D= 300-349 points	

- \* ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: See the Math Department 304 Home Page <http://www.math.tamu.edu/courses/math304/> for information on Help Sessions, etc.
- \* CATALOG DESCRIPTION: 304. Introductory course in linear algebra covering abstract ideas of vector space and linear transformation as well as models and applications of these concepts, such as systems of linear equations, matrices and determinants. MATH 323 designed to be a more demanding version of this course. No credit will be given for more than one of MATH 304, MATH 309, MATH 311 and MATH 323.
- \* COURSE OBJECTIVES: The goal is for students to understand, compute and apply the concepts of Linear Algebra, including the use of matrices and determinants to solve linear equations and the abstract concepts of vector spaces and linear maps.

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2. MAKE-UPS for MAJOR EXAMS will be given only in case of an absence authorized under University Regulations. You will need a note from your doctor or your academic dean's office. If you know in advance that you will miss an exam, please contact me so that you can take the make-up in advance. If you email me, *be sure to include your phone number*.
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