Math 3301: Linear Algebra
Course Syllabus

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Course Description: The algebra and geometry of finite dimensional vector spaces; determinants; linear transformations and matrices; characteristic values and vectors of linear transformations.


Evaluation: Your grade for this course will be determined by your performance on tests, quizzes, and a final exam. Final grades will be based on a standard 10-point grading scale.

Exams: There will be 3 in-class tests during the semester and a comprehensive final exam. Each test will count 20% of your final grade, and the final exam will count 30%. There are no make-ups for tests. If you miss up to one test for any reason, that test grade will be replaced by your final exam grade. You will receive a grade of zero for any test missed after the first.

Homework: Homework will be assigned periodically throughout the semester. Grades received on homework will count toward bonus points on the tests. It is encouraged that homework be worked on together in groups, or with tutors.

Quizzes: Quizzes will be given regularly throughout the semester, and usually worked in class. You will be notified of all quizzes by at least the class period before the quiz is to take place. Any quizzes assigned for work in class are to be completed individually.
Course Content: The following chapters, including the particular sections listed, are covered.

1. **Linear Equations in Linear Algebra**: Systems of Linear Equations; Row Reduction and Echelon Forms; Vector Equations; The Matrix Equation $Ax = b$; Solution Sets of Linear Systems; Linear Independence; Introduction to Linear Transformations; The Matrix of a Linear Transformation.

2. **Matrix Algebra**: Matrix Operations; The Inverse of a Matrix; Characterizations of Invertible Matrices.

3. **Determinants**: Introduction to Determinants.

4. **Vector Spaces**: Vector Spaces and Subspaces; Null Spaces, Column Spaces, and Linear Transformations; Linearly Independent Sets, Bases; Coordinate Systems; The Dimension of a Vector Space; Rank.

5. **Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors**: Eigenvectors and Eigenvalues; The Characteristic Equation; Diagonalization.

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Director of Student Disability Services  
Office of Student Affairs  
325-942-2047  
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All students are required to follow the policies and procedures presented in these documents:

- [Angelo State University Student Handbook](#)
- [Angelo State University Catalog](#)
Course Schedule:  What follows is a tentative schedule, and is likely to change throughout the semester.

Week 1:  Syllabus, 1.1, 1.2
Week 2:  1.3, 1.4, 1.5
Week 3:  1.7, 1.8
Week 4:  1.9, 2.1
Week 5:  Review and Test 1
Week 6:  2.2, 2.3
Week 7:  3.1, 3.2
Week 8:  4.1, 4.2
Week 9:  (Spring Break)
Week 10: Review and Test 2
Week 11:  4.3, 4.4
Week 12:  4.5, 4.6
Week 13:  5.1, 5.2
Week 14:  5.3
Week 15: Review and Test 3
Week 16: Applications and Final Exam Review
Week 17: Final Exam from 10:30am - 12:30pm