MATH 2940 — Linear Algebra for Engineers (Dis. 204, 208, 216)

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Course website:        On Blackboard: blackboard.cornell.edu

Section website:       www.math.cornell.edu/~ismythe/SP14.2940.html

Evaluation:           Evaluation of student performance and letter grade assignments (A+ through F) will be based on the breakdown below.

Breakdown:            Quizzes 10%
                       Homework 20%
                       Prelim exam 1 (February 20) 20%
                       Prelim exam 2 (April 17) 20%
                       Final exam 30%

Quizzes:              Brief (~15 minute) quizzes will be held at the end of discussion sections every other week (with exceptions for holidays, etc). Solutions will be posted on my section website. Your lowest scoring quiz will be dropped from your final grade.
Homework: Problems from the text will be assigned on a weekly basis, as indicated on the course syllabus, covering material from lectures the previous Friday, Monday and Wednesday. **Homework is to be submitted to my mailbox in Upson Hall each Friday by 5:00pm** (with exceptions for holidays, etc). Late homework will not be accepted.

On each assignment, a select set of problems will be graded in detail, while the remainder will be graded for “completeness”. Your lowest scoring homework assignment will be dropped from your final grade.

Submitted homework should be on 8 1/2” by 11”, or similar, paper, with your **full name** written in the upper right hand corner of the front page. **All pages must be stapled together (please!).** Writing should be legible and in pencil or dark ink, but it is not necessary to type solutions (nor is it recommended). Solutions should be written clearly, with all necessary work and justification shown. If I cannot read a solution, it will not be worth full credit. Partial solutions to problems will be accepted, and will be worth partial credit.

You are welcome to work with other students on homework, but it is recommended that you try to work out a problem on your own first. However, **solutions must be written in your own words**, not verbatim from another student’s work.