SYLLABUS FOR MATH 5483, SPRING 2010
MWF 9:30-10:20 AM, PHSC 223

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Testing: There will be three midterm exams during the class period (50 minutes each) on Wednesday February 17, Wednesday March 31 and Friday April 23. The final exam is scheduled for Monday May 10, 2010, 8:00–10:00 (in the same room).

If a midterm exam is missed for any reason, its weight (16%) will automatically be added to the weight of the final exam. (For example if you miss exactly one midterm the final will count for 29%+16%=45% of the final grade.) Under extraordinary circumstances, if you cannot take a test at the scheduled time, you should contact me in advance of the test time and I will decide whether or not to allow a makeup exam.

Homework: There will be weekly assignments, posted on learn.ou.edu, to be handed in during the first discussion session of the week. Please hand in your homework on time; late assignments cannot be accepted.

Final grade:
final exam 29% + first midterm 16% + second midterm 16% + third midterm 16% + homework 23%

Students with Disabilities: Any student having a disability that may interfere with the demonstration of his or her abilities should contact me as soon as possible to arrange accommodations necessary to ensure full participation in the course. Students with disabilities must be registered with the Office of the Disabilities Services (Goddard Health Center, Suite 166, tel: 325-3852) prior to receiving accommodations in this course.
Some important dates:
First day of classes: Tuesday, January 19, 2010.
Last day to withdraw with an automatic W: Friday, February 26, 2010.
Last day to withdraw with a W/F without petition to the Dean: Friday, April 2, 2010.
Final exam preparation period: May 3–7, 2010 (see the Provost’s annual memo on University policies regarding instruction for the various restrictions on graded course work during this period).
Last day of classes: Friday, May 7, 2010.

Grade of Incomplete: The grade of “I” is a special-purpose grade given when a specific task needs to be completed to finish the coursework. This is typically a term paper or other special assignment, so rarely makes sense in a mathematics course. An “I” cannot be given to avoid a low grade in cases where the coursework is not strong. The Mathematics Department requires that instructor and students execute and sign a written INCOMPLETE CONTRACT before the grade ‘I’ can be given.