

Department of Mathematics

Faculty of Science

**MATH 461 (206461) MATHEMATICS FOR PHYSICAL
SCIENCE STUDENTS I**

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Abbreviation MATH FOR PHYS SCI STD I

Prerequisite MATH 203 (206203) or consent of the instructor

Recommended For graduate student in geology and teaching physics only

Course Description

Matrices and systems of linear equations. Vector analysis, line and surface integrals, gradients, divergence, curl, Stokes and Gauss theorems. Differential equations : linear differential equations with constant coefficients. Power series solution. The numerical solution of differential equations.

Course Contents

No. of Lecture Hours

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| 1. Linear algebraic equations, determinants and matrices | 10 |
| - Determinants and their properties | |
| - Evaluation of determinants | |
| - Matrices and their properties | |
| - Eigenvalues and eigenvectors | |
| - Reduction of matrix to diagonal form | |
| - Linear equations | |
| 2. Vector analysis | 8 |
| - Space curves and surfaces | |
| - Line integrals | |
| - Surface integrals | |
| - Volume integrals | |
| - Gauss' theorem | |
| - Stokes' theorem | |
| 3. Linear differential equations with constant coefficients | 12 |
| - Homogeneous linear differential equations and their solutions | |
| - Nonhomogeneous linear differential equations and their solutions | |
| - Solution in series | |
| - The numerical solutions of ordinary differential equations | |

Total

45