MAT 531-M001 SPRING 2017 2nd Course: Linear Algebra

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Course Description: All or nearly all topics of the course are covered in Chapters 1, 2, 5, and 6 of the textbook. These topics are considered in MAT 331 from a computational viewpoint. (*MAT 331 is a prerequisite for this course, and the computational techniques in that course will be assumed for this course.*) Here they are reconsidered in a more abstract setting, with an emphasis on definitions, and proofs of Theorems. Specifically, the topics include abstract vector spaces and their subspaces, linear transformations and their matrix representations (Chapters 1, 2); eigenvalues and eigenvectors, inner product spaces (Chapters 5, 6). If time permits, some applications may be given.

Text: Linear Algebra by Friedberg, Insel, and Spence, 4th Edition, Prentice Hall, 2003.

Classes: TTh 11:00 AM – 12:20 PM, 100 Carnegie

Office Hours: TBA

Exams: There will be one midterm covering Chapters 1 and 2, tentatively scheduled 02/23/17. There will a final exam covering the entire course given on 05/05/17 at 8 - 10 AM in 100 Carnegie.

Homework: Weekly written assignments will be announced via blackboard.

Grading: The three grades and their percentage count are (midterm, final exam, homework) counting (30%, 40%, 30%).

Course Rules: No use of calculators on exams; all electronic devices silenced and stored during all classes and exams.

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