MAT333 SYLLABUS

Semester and Year	Spring Semester March 5, 2018-June 22, 2018
Course Name	Introduction to Operations Research
Course Code	MAT 333
Course Credits	3
Prerequisite Course	Calculus, Linear Algebra, Probability & Statistics
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<u>Textbook</u>	An Introduction to Management Science (Quantitative Approaches to Decision Making (12 th edition) David Anderson ISBN:9787111290353

Course Description

Operations research (OR) is concerned with optimal decision making in, and modeling of, deterministic and probabilistic system that originate from real life. It is useful to structure the real life situation into a mathematical model, abstracting the essential elements so that a solution relevant to the decision maker's objective can be sought. Developing a solution, including the mathematical theory that yields on optimal value of the system measure of desirability. This course will cover the deterministic models in OR and the mathematical foundation of the solution techniques for OR models will be emphasized.

Student Learning Objectives

On completion of this course, the student will be able to develop linear programming and integer programming

formulations for engineering and economic systems, determine optimal solutions to a variety of mathematical

programming problems, and present managerial recommendations based on optimal solutions and sensitivity analysis.

References

• Introduction to Operations Research (9th edition) by Hillier, F.S. and Lieberman, G.J. ISBN: 7302122431

Some websites

- <u>http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Operations research</u>
- http://nptel.iitm.ac.in/video.php?courseId=1110

Teaching Methods

This course consists of lectures, discussions and individual presentations. Students must be prepared to finish some small questions and small quiz during the class. After each chapter there will be some mini presentations which should be held by individuals.

Grade Criterion:

Component	Weight	Description
Final Exam	20%	A cumulative final examination will be given based on all of the
		contents of the class. A minimum of 25% of the exam (5 of the
		20%) will consist of questions utilizing the application of
		critical thinking.
Mid-Term Exam	20%	A cumulative midterm examination will be given based on all of
		the contents of the first half of the class. A minimum of 25% of
		the exam (5 of the 20%) will consist of questions utilizing the
		application of critical thinking.
Homework and	10%	Homework problems will be assigned throughout the term,
exercises		including but not limited to: terminologies, practice exercises,
		and project assignments.
Quizzes, tests	10%	There will be a number of ad-hoc/pop quizzes or tests during the
		semester. The purpose of the quizzes and tests is to ensure that
		students keep up with the contents.
Presentation	20%	Students should finish a semester project and make presentation
		based on the project. Each student should present and the score
		will be given based on the topic, preparation and PPT and
		performance.
Participation	10%	Individuals will be asked to participate individually in a question
		and answer 10 times during the semester. Students are required
		to meet with their teachers every other week. Their
		performances should be counted in their participation.
Attendance	10%	Refer to attendance policy listed below
Total	100%	

Detailed Grade Calculation

In the semester, the grades of attendance, participation, homework assignments, and quizzes account for 60 percent of a student's final grade, and the midterm exam and final exam both account for 20 percent of the final grade. 40 percent of the final grade comes before midterm and 60 percent after midterm, as shown in the following table:

	Before midterm	After midterm
Attendance	5%	5%
Participation	5%	5%

Homework/assignment	5%	10%
Quiz	5%	5%
Midterm exam	20%	
Final exam		20%
Presentation		15%
Total	40%	60%

Grading Policy

A+ 100-97 A 96-93 A- 92–90 B+ 89-87 B 86-83 B- 82–80 C+ 79–75 C 74-70 C- 69–67 D+ 66–63 D 62-60 F 59-0

Exam Schedule

Midterm: May 7 – May 11, 2018

Final: July 16- July 20, 2018

Homework

Students should finish their homework (except for group projects) by themselves. **Copying from others will be treated as cheating. Students' homework scored will be lowered.** Students should hand in all assignments promptly and on time. Late assignment will be accepted at the discretion of the instructor (i.e., when the student was ill or had an excused absence). Assignment turned in late without proof of illness or had an excused absence will be reduced in score by 50%.

Assignment should be printed out. Anything that cannot be read will be marked wrong. Printing requirements are as followed: single space between lines, double space between paragraphs, font size is 12 (maximum). Grammar error can reduce 20% of your score.

Attendance

Being late for 15 minutes will result in unexcused absence. Each unexcused absence will result in 10% reduction of attendance grade. Five hours of unexcused absences will result in the lowering of grade by one level, i.e. A to A-. 1/3 of total class hours of absences under any circumstances forces a withdrawal from the course and get a grade of "F". An excused absence must be discussed directly with the teacher. An incomplete grade (I) will be considered in case of medical or family emergencies.

Participation

Students should participate in classes actively. Half of participation grade is determined by their presentation in class. They are encouraged to ask questions relevant to the subject and express their own opinions. Every student should respect the ideas, opinions, and questions of their classmates. Students should also use office hour to ask questions or talk with the instructor for good communication and effective learning. Any misbehavior and non-class related activities in class will result in the lowering of the participation grade, including ringing beepers and cell phones. Student better frequent visit their instructors and chat in English everyday. All above behaviors will be solely evaluated by the instructor for scoring.

Self-Study and Reading Ability Practice

Instructor will give out the chapters or the reference books to read and use class hours to have discussion; students should be able to show a proactive attitude and ability for self-study and reading. Knowledge and oral English will be elements of homework or presentation score.

Week Index	Topics
XX7 1 1	Chapter 1 Introduction to Operations Research
Week 1	Chapter 2 Introduction to Linear Programming
	Graphical Approach,
Week 2	Chapter 3 Sensitivity Analysis I
Week 3	Chapter 3 Sensitivity Analysis II
Week 4	Chapter 5 Simplex Method I
Week 5	Chapter 5 Simplex Method II
Week 6	Chapter 6 Duality Theory and Sensitivity Analysis
Week 7	Chapter 7 The Transportation and Assignment Problems
	Transportation
Week 8	Chapter 8 Integer Programming
	Chapter 9 Network
Week 9	Review and Quiz
Week 10	Midterm
Week 11	Chapter 10 Project Scheduling

Topical Course Outline

Week 12	Chapter 11 Inventory models
Week 13	Chapter 12 Queuing Theory
Week 14	Chapter 14 Decision Analysis
Week 15	Presentation
Week 16	Review and Quiz
Week 17	Final

Note: Quizzes and examinations will also cover self-study contents.

Office Hours

The instructor's office hour is shown in the front of the office door. Students are required to use the instructor's office hour to ask questions or talk with the instructor once at least per week for good communication and effective learning, which is recorded in the students' participation. The time can be scheduled by instructors or students, or both.

Withdrawal Policy

Students can drop the class in the first week of the semester without leaving any marks to the final grade. Students can withdraw from any class before Dec.15, 2016 and get a W for withdrawal. However anyone with 12 absences automatically receives an F.

Cheating and Plagiarism

Cheating is not tolerated. Any student caught cheating on a quiz; test or exam will be given a mark of zero (0) for the particular work. At the beginning of the semester the definition of plagiarism will be carefully explained. When any thoughts or writings of another person are used, they must be clearly identified (usually one uses quotation marks) and the source notes.

Important Dates

Spring Semester, 2018

March 4, 2018—July 20, 2018

Mar. 4

Registration

Mar. 5	Classes Begin
Mar. 16	Last Day to Drop or Add a Course with no Charge
Apr. 5	Qingming Festival (tentative)
Apr. 20	Spring Sports (tentative)
May 1	Labor Day Holiday (tentative)
May 7-11	Midterm Exams
May 14-18	Summer School Registration
June 18	Duanwu Festival (tentative)
June 25-29	Sophomore and Junior students' Final Exam
June 2- July 20	Sophomore and Junior students' Social Practice
	Summer School
July 16-20	Revision and Final Exam Period
July 23	Summer Vacation Begins

Note: This syllabus is tentative and may be changed or modified throughout the semester. All students will be notified and a new syllabus will be given.