

## Math 251 Suggested Weekly Schedule

### 1. Week 1

- Course introduction
- Three dimensional coordinate systems (12.1)
- Vectors (12.2)
- The dot product (12.3)

### 2. Week 2

- The cross product (12.4)
- Equations of lines and planes (12.5)
- Cylinders and quadric surfaces (12.6) (briefly)

### 3. Week 3

- Vector functions and space curves (13.1)
- Derivatives and integrals of vector-functions (13.2)
- Arc length, curvature, torsion (13.3)

### 4. Week 4

- Motion in space: displacement, velocity, and acceleration (13.4)
- Functions of several variables (14.1)
- **Exam 1** (covers through Section 13.4)

### 5. Week 5

- Partial derivatives (14.3)
- Tangent planes and Linear Approximation (14.4)
- The chain rule (14.5)

### 6. Week 6

- Directional derivatives and the gradient vector (14.6)
- Maximum and minimum values (14.7)

### 7. Week 7

- Lagrange multipliers (14.8)
- Double integral over rectangles (15.1)

### 8. Week 8

- **Exam 2** (covers through Section 14.8)

9. Week 9

- Double integral over general regions (15.2)
- Double integrals in polar coordinates (15.3)
- Applications of double integrals (15.4) (optional)

10. Week 10

- Surface Area (15.5) Note: If pressed for time, this concept can be combined with Section 16.6
- Triple integrals (15.6)
- Triple integrals in cylindrical coordinates (15.7)

11. Week 11

- Triple integrals in spherical coordinates (15.8)
- Change of Variables in Multiple Integrals, Jacobians (15.9)

12. Week 12

- Vector fields (16.1) **Exam 3** (covers Chapter 15)

13. Week 13

- Line integrals (16.2)
- Fundamental theorem of line integrals (16.3)
- Green's theorem (16.4)

14. Week 14

- Curl and divergence (16.5)
- Parametric Surfaces and their areas (16.6)  
**Note:** Thanksgiving falls on this week in the fall.

15. Week 15

- Surface Integrals (16.7)
- Stokes' Theorem

16. Week 16

- The Divergence Theorem (16.9)
- Review for final.
- **Final Exam** (covers Chapter 16)  
**Note:** Instructors should be wary of redefined days in week 16 and adjust their coverage of topics accordingly.