

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT EL PASO  
COLLEGE OF SCIENCE  
DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICAL SCIENCES

**Graduate Seminar - 13594 - Math 5195**

**Online via Blackboard  
(Blackboard Collaborative Ultra)**

Aug. 24 – Dec. 03

Fall 2020

**Online colloquium talks  
( F 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm )**

**Requirements:**

Attend online math colloquium talks ( F 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm ) . Occasionally the dates/times of the colloquium may be changed. The Math Colloquium is a part of the Seminar.

**Instructor:**

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**Office Hours:**

Online/TBA

For communication, you must use only your **UTEP email address**.

I will try to return e-mails within 24 hours (except weekends/holidays)

**Textbook :**

A textbook is not required

**Course Objectives**

- learn some basic principles about writing papers
- understand how to search the mathematical literature
- gain experience in preparing and making math. Presentations
- be aware of the advantages of various communication technologies
- learn about the 'etiquette' of mathematical writing and presenting
- see some beautiful nuggets of mathematics

**Course Description:**

Conferences and discussions of various topics in mathematics by faculty, graduate students, and outside speakers. The Math Colloquium is a part of the Seminar.

**Activities / Assignments:**

Each student in the course is required to prepare and to present a talk of an appropriate subject in mathematics/statistics. Also the Graduate Seminar will be linked to the Math Colloquium and the students will attend online colloquium talks.

**Grading Policy:**

The final grade will be based on the student's presentation respecting the following evaluation rubric and grading scale:

**Evaluation Rubric for Presentation**

<b>Category</b>	<b>Points</b>
<b><u>Organization (Logical presentation of ideas)</u></b> Objectives/goals are clearly stated. Methods are appropriate for achieving goals. Results are clearly presented. Thoughts and ideas flow in a logical manner. Results accomplish the purposes of the project.	4= Excellent 3 = Good 2 = Satisfactory 1 = Poor
<b><u>Knowledge of Material (Familiarity with subject matter)</u></b> Exhibits knowledge of subject matter	4= Excellent 3 = Good 2 = Satisfactory 1 = Poor
<b><u>Originality and Creativity</u></b> Theoretical or clinical significance of research Creativity and originality of logic Timeliness and uniqueness of ideas	4= Excellent 3 = Good 2 = Satisfactory 1 = Poor
<b><u>Mechanics</u></b> Neat slides, free of mathematical errors Visual materials are easy to read.	4= Excellent 3 = Good 2 = Satisfactory 1 = Poor
<b><u>Delivery</u></b> Good diction; good articulation Correct, precise pronunciation of terms.	4= Excellent 3 = Good 2 = Satisfactory 1 = Poor
<b>Total</b>	

**Grading Scale:** A 17-20 points; B 13-16 points; C 9-12 points; D 5-8 points; F no presentation

**Late Work and Make-up Policy:**

Make-up or late work will be accepted only under extraordinary circumstances, at the discretion of the instructor.

**Attendance & Withdrawal:**

It is expected that everyone attend the online synchronous seminars/colloquia. The student may be dropped by the instructor for excessive absences (3 absences of the online synchronous seminars/colloquia) . The deadline to drop with an automatic W is **Oct 30**, 2020. After the drop deadline the College of Science will not approve any drops (W) .

**Technology Requirements:**

Course content is delivered via Blackboard. Google Chrome and Mozilla Firefox are the best browsers for Blackboard.

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**Scholastic Integrity:**

Each student is responsible for notice of and compliance with the provisions of the Regents' Rules and Regulations, which are available for inspection electronically at <http://www.utsystem.edu/bor/rules/homepage.htm>

Academic dishonesty is prohibited and is considered a violation of the UTEP Handbook of Operating Procedures. It includes, but is not limited to, cheating, plagiarism, and collusion. Any act of academic dishonesty attempted by a UTEP student is unacceptable and will not be tolerated. All suspected violations of academic integrity at The University of Texas at El Paso must be reported to the [Office of Student Conduct and Conflict Resolution \(OSCCR\)](#) for possible disciplinary action. To learn more, please visit [HOOP: Student Conduct and Discipline](#).

**Disability Statement:**

If you need special accommodations, please contact The Center for Accommodations and Support Services (CASS) at 747-5148, or by email to [cass@utep.edu](mailto:cass@utep.edu), or visit their website at [www.sa.utep.edu/cass](http://www.sa.utep.edu/cass).

**Military Statement:**

If you are a military student with the potential of being called to military service and/or training during the course of the semester, you are encouraged to contact the instructor as soon as possible.