

COURSE OUTLINE

WINTER 2013

1. Applied Mathematics 621 – Research Seminar

<u>Lec</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Instructor</u>	<u>Office</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Email</u>	<u>Office Hours</u>
S01	M	16:00	Elena Braverman	MS444	220-3956	maelena@ucalgary.ca	M 14:00-16:00

Course Website: : <http://people.ucalgary.ca/~maelena/621.html>

2. **Grading:** The University policy on grading and related matters is described in sections F.1 and F.2 of the online University Calendar. In determining the overall grade in the course, the following weights will be used:

<i>Presentations</i>	[2]	50 %
<i>Abstracts & discussion</i>	[6]	20 %
<i>Paper review</i>	[1]	20 %
Participation		10 %

The purpose of the course is to improve presentation skills and acquire and develop other skills required for successful scientific research. There are only two grades for this course: pass or fail. To pass the course, a student should:

- make two presentations at the seminar, one of them relevant to the topic of their former or present research, and the other of general teaching, scientific or industrial interest;
- provide 6 abstracts of talks presented either by other students at the seminar or scientific presentations elsewhere, at least one of them should be of a talk external to the seminar;
- produce a review of a scientific paper relevant to their area of research;
- demonstrate proficiency in any version of TeX or LaTeX;
- attend at least 70% of classes and participate in the activities of the seminar.

3. **Missed Components of Term Work.** The regulations of the Faculty of Science pertaining to this matter are found in the Faculty of Science area of the Calendar in section 3.6: www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/sc-3-6.html. It is the student's responsibility to be familiar with these regulations. See also www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/e-3.html.

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5. **There is no out of class scheduled activity.**

REGULARLY SCHEDULED CLASSES HAVE PRECEDENCE OVER ANY OUT-OF-CLASS-TIME ACTIVITY. If you have a conflict with any out of class time activity, please inform your instructor at least one week in advance of the activity so that other arrangements may be made for you.

6. **OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS:**

- (a) **ACADEMIC MISCONDUCT** (cheating, plagiarism, or any other form) is a very serious offence that will be dealt with rigorously in all cases. A single offence may lead to disciplinary probation or suspension or expulsion. The Faculty of Science follows a zero tolerance policy regarding dishonesty. Please read the sections of the University Calendar under K. Student Misconduct (<http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/k.html>) to inform yourself of definitions, processes and penalties.
- (b) **ASSEMBLY POINTS** in case of emergency during class time. Be sure to **FAMILIARIZE YOURSELF** with the information at <http://www.ucalgary.ca/emergencyplan/assemblypoints>.
- (c) **ACADEMIC ACCOMMODATION POLICY.** Students with documentable disabilities are referred to the following links:
 Calendar entry on students with disabilities: <http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/b-1.html>
 Disability Resource Centre: <http://www.ucalgary.ca/drc/>

- (d) **SAFEWALK:** Campus Security will escort individuals day or night (<http://www.ucalgary.ca/security/safewalk/>). Call **220-5333** for assistance. Use any campus phone, emergency phone or the yellow phones located at most parking lot pay booths.
- (e) **FREEDOM OF INFORMATION AND PRIVACY:** This course is conducted in accordance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIPP). As one consequence, **students should identify themselves on all written work by placing their name on the front page and their ID number on each subsequent page.** For more information see also <http://www.ucalgary.ca/secretariat/privacy>.
- (f) **STUDENT UNION INFORMATION:** VP Academic **Phone:** 220-3911 **Email:** suvpaca@ucalgary.ca.
SU Faculty Rep. **Phone:** 220-3913 **Email:** sciencerep@su.ucalgary.ca **Website** <http://www.su.ucalgary.ca/>
Student Ombudsman: <http://www.ucalgary.ca/provost/students/ombuds>
- (g) **INTERNET and ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION DEVICE Information.** You can assume that in all classes that you attend, **your cell phone should be turned off.** Also, communication with other individuals, via laptop computers, Blackberries or other devices connectable to the Internet is not allowed in class time unless specifically permitted by the instructor. If you violate this policy you may be asked to leave the classroom. Repeated abuse may result in a charge of misconduct.