

**Miami-Dade Community College**  
**MAS 2103 Elementary Linear Algebra**

Course Description Topics include: Vector spaces; linear independence and bases; systems of linear equations; linear transformations; matrices; rank and nullity; eigenvalues and eigenvectors. (3 hrs. lecture)

Pre-requisite: MAC 2311 with a grade of C or better or equivalent.

Course Competencies:

**Competency 1:** The Student will solve linear systems of equations by:

- a. Applying elementary row operations to the system,
- b. Applying Gauss-Jordan elimination.

**Competency 2:** The Student will demonstrate proficiency in Matrix Algebra by:

- a. Performing matrix addition, scalar multiplication, and matrix multiplication.
- b. Finding the transpose, the cofactor, and the adjoint matrices of a given matrix,
- c. Finding the inverse of an invertible matrix by either the formula or applying row operations,
- d. Solving linear systems applying matrix algebra.

**Competency 3:** The Student will demonstrate proficiency in Determinants Theory by:

- a. Evaluating determinants by either row reduction or cofactor expansion,
- b. Applying the properties of the determinants for solving problems.

**Competency 4:** The Student will demonstrate knowledge of the Euclidean  $n$ -th space  $E^n$  and its properties by:

- a. Performing basic operations in
- b. Determining if a subset of  $E^n$  is a subspace of  $E^n$
- c. Recognizing the Euclidean norm, distance, and inner product,
- d. Determining if a set of vectors is linearly independent,
- e. Finding basis for  $E^n$
- f. Finding orthonormal basis for  $E^n$  applying the Gram Schmidt process.

Competency 5: The Student will recognize linear transformations between  $E^n$  and  $E^m$  and:

- a. Calculate the kernel and the range of a linear transformation,
- b. Find a matrix representation of a given linear transformation,
- c. Describe the geometric properties of basic linear transformations in the plane.

Competency 6: The Student will demonstrate knowledge of eigenvalues and eigenvectors by:

- a. Defining eigenvalues eigenvectors of a matrix and a linear transformation,
- b. Finding eigenvalues and eigenspaces of a matrix,
- c. Recognizing the differences between algebraic multiplicity and geometric multiplicity of an eigenvalue.

Competency 7: The Student will demonstrate knowledge of abstract spaces by

- a. Performing vector operations in spaces such as space of continuous functions, space of polynomials functions, and space of matrices,
- b. Finding basis and coordinate vectors in abstract spaces.