Math 732 Spring 2017

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Office hours: I have scheduled a variety of hours for students to come talk to me (listed above). I strongly encourage you to come to them. You are welcome to come for any reason, I want this class to be as personal as possible. I also welcome appointments outside of office hours- feel free to set up an appointment in class, by phone, or by e-mail.

## Texts:

- Colin C. Adams, The Knot Book
- Colin C. Adams and Robert Franzosa, *Introduction to Topology: Pure and Applied*
- Allen Hatcher *Algebraic Topology* available at the link below (also linked through my course webpage)

https://www.math.cornell.edu/~hatcher/AT/ATpage.html.

**Course Content:** We will concentrate mostly on algebraic topology as well as selected topics from The Knot Book.

**Grading:** The course will be ambitious. The class will have two midterms and one final as well as a student presentation in class.

Class Participation	5
Exam One, $2/16$ ,	25%
Exam Two, $3/30$ ,	25%
Presentation	15%
Final Exam 5/2, 9:00am- 12:00pm	25%

**Exams:** All exams will be take home except for the final, they will be closed book, but at times you may be allowed to use your notes.

**Honor System:** It is expected that each student in this class will conduct him or herself within the guidelines of the Honor System.