• **Lectures:** T, Th 2:00pm-3:20pm, Gerstenzang 124
• **Instructor:** Omer Offen
• **Contact:** offen@brandeis.edu, (781)736-3072
• **Office hours:** T, Th 9:00am–9:50am, Goldsmith 206
• **Grading TAs:** Aritro Pathak, Thomas O’Hare
• **CA:** TBA
• **Prerequisites:** MATH 5a and permission of the instructor, placement by examination, or any mathematics course numbered 10 or above. Students may take MATH 15a or 22a for credit, but not both. If you HAVE NOT taken Math 10a and 10b, please come meet with me at the beginning of the semester.
• **Text-book:** Linear Algebra and its Applications, David Lay, 5th edition. ISBN-13: 978-0321982384 The book can be purchased from the University Bookstore, or bought online, but you are responsible for making sure you purchase the correct book. If you buy an older edition, it is your responsibility to make sure you’re reading the correct sections and doing the correct homework problems. I strongly recommend you try for a new or used version of this edition.
• **Exams:** There will be two midterm exams and a final exam.
  – Midterm 1: Thursday, 2/14, in class.
  – Midterm 2: Tuesday, 3/26, in class.
  – Final Exam: Determined by registrar block schedule.
• **Grading:**
  Homework 20% will be posted regularly on Latte with due dates
  Midterm 1 20%
  Midterm 2 20%
  Final 40%
  **Note:** There will be no makeup midterm. In case of a documentable reason for missing a midterm, the weight of the mark will be shifted to the final in the same ratio.
• **Homework:** Will be posted regularly on Latte and collected according to the instructions of our grading TAs.
  – No late homework will be accepted, but your three lowest homework grades will be dropped.
  – I encourage you to discuss homework problems with your classmates, but you must write up your own solutions.
  – It is not aloud to search for solutions to homework problems online.
• **LATTE:** All course materials for Math 15a will be available online on LATTE. Log in at http://latte.brandeis.edu using your Unet username and password.
• **Office hours:** You are encouraged to use my office hours and/or the course assistants’ office hours whenever you have questions about the course material.
• Success in this 4 credit course is based on the expectation that students will spend a minimum of 9 hours of study time per week in preparation for class (readings, papers, discussion sections, preparation for exams, etc.).
• **Disabilities:** If you are a student with a documented disability on record at Brandeis University and wish to have a reasonable accommodation made for you in this class, please see the instructor immediately.
• **Academic integrity:** You are expected to be familiar with and to follow the university’s policies on academic integrity as found at 
  http://www.brandeis.edu/studentlife/sdc/ai.
  These will be taken seriously in this class.