

Cover Page

MTH 193

Studies in Vectors

Faculty Name: Joshua Shelor

Program Head: Bryan Snare

Dean's Review:

Dean's Signature: _____ Date Reviewed: ___/___/___

VIRGINIA WESTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE
PO Box 14007
Roanoke, VA 24038
(540)-857-7273



Revised: Fall 2016

MTH 193

Studies in Vectors

COURSE OUTLINE

Prerequisites:
Corequisite of MTH 163, or equivalent.

Course Description:

Introduces vectors in two and three space as well as solving systems of equations using matrices. Vectors will be studied in a geometric sense as well as an algebraic sense. This course is designed to prepare students to use vectors and matrices in physics as well as engineering classes.

VIRGINIA WESTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE
PO Box 14007
Roanoke, VA 24038
(540)-857-7273



Semester Credits: 1 Lecture Hours: 1 Lab/Recitation Hours: 0

MTH 193 Studies in Vectors

Course Outcomes

At the completion of this course, the student should be able to:

1. Graph vectors and perform basic vector operations using trigonometry.
2. Perform basic vector operations algebraically.
3. Calculate both the dot product and the cross product and interpret their meaning.
4. Calculate the angle between given vectors.
5. Find scalar projections.
6. Apply the use of vectors in real-world situations.
7. Perform basic matrix arithmetic.
8. Solve systems of equations using matrices, including infinitely many solutions.
9. Identify when systems of equations are inconsistent.
10. Evaluate determinants and apply them.

VIRGINIA WESTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE
PO Box 14007
Roanoke, VA 24038
(540)-857-7273



MTH 193 Studies in Vectors

Required Materials:

None

Textbook:

None

The following supplementary materials are available:

None

VIRGINIA WESTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE
PO Box 14007
Roanoke, VA 24038
(540)-857-7273



MTH 193 Studies in Vectors

Topical Description:

1. Vector arithmetic
2. Translations
3. Magnitude
4. Dot product
5. Cross product
6. Scalar projections
7. Matrix arithmetic
8. Determinants
9. Matrix inverses
10. Solutions of systems of equations
11. Special attention will be paid to engineering applications, including trigonometry.

VIRGINIA WESTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE
PO Box 14007
Roanoke, VA 24038
(540)-857-7273



MTH 193 Studies in Vectors

Notes to Instructors

(List information about optional topics, departmental exams, etc)

1. Grades can be made up of homework, tests, projects, and a final exam.
2. Final exam must be worth at least 25% of the final grade.

VIRGINIA WESTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE
PO Box 14007
Roanoke, VA 24038
(540)-857-7273

