

## Information Sheet

*Topics in Algebra*

MA 521, Fall 2024

TR, 2:00–3:40, The Science Building 3602

**Professor:** Phillips, **Office:** Jamrich 2204, **Phone:** 2022, **Office Hrs:** TBA, by appt

**Textbook.** *Topics in Algebra*, 2nd edition, by I.N. Herstein

**Topics.** We will undertake an investigation of groups (and rings, as time permits).

**Homework.** Homework will be assigned at the end of each class, and will be worth a total of 100 points.

**Exams.** There will be two midterm take-home exams, one midterm in-class exam, and a final in-class exam. The final exam will be comprehensive. Each of the four exams will be worth 100 points.

**Grading.** The student's final grade will be based on the three exams, homework, and presentations (as above). The grading scale is

450–500 points: A

400–450 points: B

350–400 points: C

300–350 points: D

0–300 points: F

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