The Enemies

The two most common obstacles for great success in this class are algebra and procrastination.

In order to beat your first enemy you will need to review and practice basic algebra which is taught in Precalculus classes (recall that it is a prerequisite for this class). We will try to involve such review in classes when solving exercises (especially in discussion sessions). You are also encouraged to use our office hours and the free tutoring services for additional review.

In order to overcome your second enemy, I would suggest the following weekly time management.

- 1. Attend all lectures and discussions sessions (5 hours per week)
- 2. Make sure to read in advance the required material before each class (2-4 hours per week, i.e. 1-2 hours per class)
- 3. Prepare homework assignments carefully and combine it with reviewing the material taught at the same week (5-8 hours per week)
- 4. It is recommended to attend office hours and free tutoring services (1 hour per week)
- 5. Each exam will require additional 6-10 hours of practice (assuming good preparation throughout the term) and the project may require about 15-25 hours