# Introduction to PDE

#### Math 557

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This is the first course of a three quarter introduction to Partial Differential Equations. During the Fall and Winter, we will mostly follow L.C. Evans' book *Partial Differential Equations*. This is a list of the topics I intend to cover:

- 1. Representation formulas for solutions
  - (a) Transport equation
  - (b) Laplace's equation
  - (c) Heat equation
  - (d) Wave equation
  - (e) Schrödinger equation (?)
  - (f) Nonlinear first-order PDE
- 2. Theory for linear partial differential equations
  - (a) Sobolev spaces
  - (b) Second-order elliptic equations
  - (c) Linear evolution equations

### RESERVE LIST:

- Partial Differential Equations, L.C. Evans, AMS, Graduate Texts In Math (recommended textbook).
- Elliptic Partial Differential Equations of Second Order, D. Gilbarg and N. Trudinger.

#### **REMARKS:**

- Homework will be due on October 29th and on December 3rd, 2008.
- Students are expected to be familiar with the topics treated in the Appendices of Evans' book.