Introduction to PDE

Math 558 - Winter 2009

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

- 1. Theory for linear partial differential equations
 - (a) Second-order elliptic equations (Maximum principles, Eigenvalues and Eigenfunctions)
 - (b) Linear evolution equations
- 2. Theory for nonlinear partial differential equations
 - (a) Calculus of Variations
 - (b) Non-variational techniques

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 February 13 and on March 16, 2009.
- Students are expected to be familiar with the topics treated in the Appendices of Evans' book.