

Recommendations

for succeeding in ER57 and ER59

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This document contains a short list of recommendations for succeeding in these courses:

- Follow the rules. Carefully read instructions and the dedicated document. Not doing so will cost you some points on your grades, which is stupid.
- If you do not have the necessary prerequisites for taking the course, I strongly encourage you to ask for relevant resources and study them at home to avoid further difficulty during the semester. Missing the prerequisites can make succeeding in the course difficult.
- The expected workload for each course is of 150 hours over the semester, which is significant. For a semester that includes about 14 weeks, this means more than 10 hours of work per week, including time spent in lectures and labs.
- As a consequence, you should be aware that personal and group work are necessary to succeed in this course. I obviously cannot learn for you. Do not wait until the midterm exam to start working, using whatever learning method (alone or in groups, for example) you find the most suitable. At home, you are strongly advised to re-read lecture slides and notes, solve lecture problems again, solve additional problems, and, if necessary, look for additional resources (e.g., library books, lecture notes from other universities, MOOCs or YouTube videos).
- In case of personal difficulties (e.g., family or health issues) affecting your work, you are advised to go and see the nurse (*infirmier*) to talk about your problems as soon as possible, and get some help if necessary.
- If you need it, do not hesitate to ask for help, whether it is to other students or to me. Do not wait until it is too late. Feel free to ask questions during lectures and labs, or to make an appointment with me¹.
- Additional recommendations may be found [here](#).

¹The preferred time for a meeting is right after class.