

MA 15900 -- EXAM CUTOFFS -- FALL 2009

The minimum score for the grade:

Exam 1 100 points	Exam 2 100 points	Exam 3 100 points
A: 82	A: 88	A: 82
B: 71	B: 76	B: 71
C: 47	C: 53	C: 47
D: 35	D: 41	D: 35
Avg 59.2	Avg 69.4	Avg. 58.2

Specifically on Ex3--100 or 94 is a high A, 88 is a middle A, 82 is a low A, 76 is a high B, 71 is a low B, 65 is a high C, 59 or 53 is a middle C, 47 is a low C, 41 is a high D, 35 is a low D, 29 is a high F, 24 is a middle F, ≤ 18 are low F's.

** These cutoffs are only provisional, however, they do give a fairly good approximation as to how you are doing grade-wise. **When approximating your grade** on the exam, distinguish the difference between getting a high C or a low C, a high B or a low B, etc. In estimating your overall grade, all your quizzes together will count 125 points at the end of the semester, 5/4 as much as a midterm exam. To broadly **estimate your quiz grade**, compare your quiz scores to the average quiz scores your Recitation Instructor gives you when they hand back your quizzes. If you are consistently near the average, your quiz grade can be estimated as being a C, well above average or well above average most of the time would be estimated as a B or A, etc. For your **Online HW grade** (worth 75 points or 3/4 of a midterm exam at the end of the semester), using 90-80-60-45 to estimate the letter grade would good. **Average both estimated exam letter grades with your estimated quiz and HW letter grades to get an idea of how you are doing overall so far.** The final grade distribution and grades will be determined as described in the ground rules for the course.