

# INT 94LT - FRSHMAN SEMINARS - Winter 2020

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## Syllabus

### Int 94LT, Winter 2020

#### Meeting Time:

The course meets Mondays from 3:00-3:50 in HSSB 1207.

#### Text:

Brian Greene, *The Elegant Universe*, W. W. Norton, 1999.

#### Video:

*The Elegant Universe*, three NOVA episodes. One portion of the video will be shown in class., and the others should be viewed as streaming video. If you miss the showing in class or wish to view the video again, you can view it online (as a streaming video) at <http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/nova/elegant/program.html>. Please be sure to watch all "chapters" of a given "hour."

#### Instructor:

David R. Morrison, 6708 South Hall, [drm@math.ucsb.edu](mailto:drm@math.ucsb.edu)

#### Instructor's Office Hours:

Mondays 10-11:30 in Broida 6135, Wednesdays 11-12:30 in South Hall 6708, or by appointment.

#### Home Page:

on GauchoSpace: <https://gauchospace.ucsb.edu/>

#### Course Schedule:

January 6: Introductory Meeting  
 January 13: Discussion of Chapters 1-3  
 January 20: MLK Day (holiday)  
     please watch Hour 1 of the video prior to January 27  
 January 27: Discussion of Chapters 4-5 and hour 1 of the video  
 February 3: Discussion of Chapters 6-8  
 February 10: Hour 2 of the video  
 February 17: Presidents Day (holiday)  
     please watch Hour 3 of the video prior to February 24  
 February 24: Discussion of Chapters 9-10 and hours 2 and 3 of the video  
 March 2: Discussion of Chapters 11-13  
 March 9: Course summary

#### Course Requirements:

- 1) There will be a 3-5 page paper due at the end of the quarter. A list of possible topics will be provided towards the middle of the quarter, or you can propose your own topic.
- 2) For two of the video "hours", you are asked to watch the video outside of class.

#### Grading:

Grading is pass/fail. Your grade will be based on class attendance, participation in discussions, and the term paper.

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