



## Introduction to Number Theory

Course Code	Course Num.	Course Name	Credit Hours	Lec	Lab	Tut	Prerequisites
MAT	224	Introduction to Number Theory	3	3	0	1	MAT 220

### *Objectives:*

- To expose students to the fascinating subject of number theory.
- To let students gain basic knowledge in number theory which is essential for subsequent courses in mathematics and computer science.
- To prepare student for abstract mathematics courses like “ Modern Algebra”.

### *Syllabus:*

- **Basics:** Classical and strong mathematics inductions, well-order principal, binomial theorem.
- **Divisibility and factorizations:** Divisibility properties, the division algorithm, representation of a number relative to arbitrary base, the binary digit system, Fundamental theorem of arithmetic, infinitude of prime numbers, greatest common divisors and least common multiple, Euclidean algorithm and Bezout’s identity.
- **Congruences:** Congruence and modular arithmetic, Diophantine linear equation, Chinese Remainder Theorem and system of linear Diophantine equations. Wilson’s Theorem, Little Fermat’s Theorem, Euler phi function and Euler Theorem .
- **Applications:** divisibility tests, round-robin tournaments, pseudo primes, pseudorandom numbers, linear codes, Pythagorean triples and sum of two squares.

### *References:*

- **Elementary Number Theory**, K. Rosen, Addison Wesley; 5<sup>th</sup> ed. (2004).
- **An Introduction to Mathematical Reasoning : Numbers, Sets and Functions**, P. Eccles, Academic Express, (1997).
- **Elementary Theory of Numbers**, W. Le Veque, Dover Publications (1990).

