

## Gradescope Template Submission Guidelines

We use a templated (fixed-length) format on Gradescope, which does not allow for manual alignment of pages. It is crucial that you adhere to the provided template exactly because (1) Gradescope identifies the first page of your submission as corresponding to the first page of the template (aka the first page of the homework set), the second page as the second, and so on for the remaining pages; (2) During grading, we designate specific boxes for each question to be graded on the template. Gradescope then scans these designated areas and generates images for review.

Therefore, you need to upload your homework using **the exact template** provided. Submissions that do not align well with the template will result in Gradescope not correctly identifying your answers. In such cases, we will not be able to find your answers!

Please ensure that your submission adheres to the given template to avoid any issues with grading. Here are some guides:

1. Downloading the homework
  - You can find the link here:  
<https://iverson.cm.utexas.edu/courses/310M/MainPagesSp06/HWQues310M.html>
2. Working on tablet/laptop:
  - The best practice is to **work on the same pdf** you download. There are many apps/software that allow you to edit pdfs, such as Acrobat PDF reader for Windows, or Preview for Mac OS/iPad. You can directly draw or write on the downloaded homework set and upload the edited pdf to Gradescope.
  - If you want to convert the file to other formats, please be careful with the compatibility. There might be some unwanted changes when you convert files.
3. Handwritten version:
  - Print the homework set out and directly **write/draw on the printed version**. Please do not write the answer separately on your notebook or scratch paper, that simply won't work.
  - After you finish your homework, either scan it or take a photo. Scanning is recommended. Scanners work the best but there are also plenty of scanning apps available on the smartphone, so you don't have to find a scanner. Please be aware of possible distortions/scan qualities on scanning apps.
  - Taking photos are not recommended. We received some submissions with blurry or distorted photos. Gradescope is not good at processing photos like that. If you choose to upload photos, please be aware of those issues.
  - Slightly distorted scans/photos can be accepted, as long as we can read your responses. Please double check your scans or photos when uploading. If your upload comes with quality issues or in a wrong order, we won't correct it for you.

4. Uploading your homework:

- Check your submission. We will grade on **what Gradescope shows us**. You can check your submission and upload a revised version any time before the deadline. However, we do not accept late submissions and we will only be able to grade the last submission.
- Other common tips/guidelines for uploading your homework can be found on YouTube or search engines.

Thank you for following the guidelines!