Syllabus (Content) of CMSC 452- Elementary Theory of Computation

- 1. Countable and uncountable sets (this may be a review for some of you).
- 2. Regular Languages: DFA's, NFA's, Regular expressions, pumping lemma. Application to Decidability in Logic.
- 3. Context Free Languages.
- 4. Time complexity. DTIME(T(n)). Time Hierarchy Theorem.
- 5. P and NP: Cook-Levin Theorem (SAT is NP-complete). Reductions. Some Complexity Theory.
- 6. Decidable and enumerable Languages: Turing Machines and the HALTING problem.