To all MATH 515 students:

I am writing to let you know, and apologize for the fact, that I will be away during the first week of classes. Professor Weerasinghe, who taught the course last year, will substitute for me on Monday Aug 25 and Wednesday Aug 27, and the Aug 29 class will be cancelled, to be made up later in the semester if necessary. Since the following Monday is the Labor Day holiday, I will then see you for the first time on Wednesday, September 3.

There is a web page for the class,

http://www.public.iastate.edu/~psacks/classes/m515/math515.html

which contains some basic information about the class, which you can check at any time. In particular there is a link for homework assignments which you should make sure to check, since the first assignment will be due on Friday September 5. Please be sure to read Section 2.1 of the text in preparation for the first homework assignment.