Differential Equations in Mathematical Physics July 17-August 11, 2023 —SMI Summer School Perugia Professor Alexander Quaas, Universidad Técnica Federico Santa María, Chile.

In this course, we will discuss some physical models where partial differential equations (PDEs) appear. In particular, we will study three basic PDEs from mathematical physics, that are: Laplace's equation (elliptic), heat equation (parabolic), and wave equation (hyperbolic). The second part of the course we will discuss Sobolev spaces that are a starting point to find weak solutions to more general elliptic PDEs.

Textbook: [1] L.C. Evans, Partial Differential Equations, AMS, 1998.

- Program of the first part: material from chapters 2 of [1]:
 - 1. Physical models and PDEs
 - 2. Laplace's equation
 - 3. Heat equation
 - 4. Transport equation and wave equation
- Program of the second part material from chapters 5 and 6 of [1]:
 - 5. Sobolev space
 - 6. Application to existence of a weak solution to second order elliptic PDEs

Prerequisites: Real Analysis, basic measure theory, and integration.