

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

COMPUTER ENGINEERING

SCREENING EXAMINATION

**EE 550**

**DESIGN AND ANALYSIS OF COMPUTER  
COMMUNICATION NETWORKS**

SUGGESTED READING

1. Chapter 3 on queueing theory in book:  
"Data Networks," Bertsekas and Gallager  
(M/M/1, M/M/m, M/G/1, etc.)

<http://web.mit.edu/dimitrib/www/datanets.html>

2. Notes on convex optimization for networks:  
(linear programs, utility-based flow control, power-aware routing, etc.)

<https://ee.usc.edu/stochastic-nets/docs/network-optimization-notes.pdf>

3. Notes on multiple access via renewal theory:  
Sections 1-3 in:

<https://ee.usc.edu/stochastic-nets/docs/multi-access-renewal-theory.pdf>

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Please be aware that these references are for guidance in BASIC  
knowledge. Ph.D. candidates are screened on the basis of talent, course  
knowledge, independent reading and experience.

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