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During the summer of 2010, I had the opportunity to teach a two-week minicourse entitled “Operator Theory Via Finite Frames,” as part of The George Washington University Summer Program for Women in Mathematics. Every one of the sixteen students had had a course in linear algebra, some had seen real analysis while others had taken abstract algebra. With this background, I was able to present sophisticated notions in finite-dimensional operator theory, using finite frames as a motivation throughout. In this talk, I will give a brief introduction to the theory of frames and explain the rationale behind using this topic as an ideal foundation for a minicourse, a project within a course, or a semester-long topics course to follow linear algebra. I will point out references for undergraduate-accessible course material as well as possible projects. Natural extensions into infinite-dimensional spaces, infinite frames, and Parseval wavelets will be briefly discussed. (Received September 21, 2010)