

THE DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICAL SCIENCES

MATH 105 : Elementary Probability and Statistics

Fall 2023 Course Syllabus

NJIT Academic Integrity Code: All Students should be aware that the Department of Mathematical Sciences takes the University Code on Academic Integrity at NJIT very seriously and enforces it strictly. This means that there must not be any forms of plagiarism, i.e., copying of homework, class projects, or lab assignments, or any form of cheating in quizzes and exams. Under the University Code on Academic Integrity, students are obligated to report any such activities to the Instructor.

COURSE INFORMATION

Course Description: Consider notions of probability. Topics include the binomial and normal distributions, expected value, and variance. The notions of sampling, hypothesis testing, and confidence intervals are applied to elementary situations.

Number of Credits: 3

Prerequisites: None.

Course-Section and Instructors:

Course-Section	Instructor
Math 105-101	Professor K. Carfora

Office Hours for All Math Instructors: [Fall 2023 Office Hours and Emails](#)

Required Textbook:

Title	<i>Understanding Basic Statistics</i>
Author	Brase and Brase
Edition	8th
Publisher	Cengage
ISBN #	978-1337888981

University-wide Withdrawal Date: The last day to withdraw with a W is **Monday, November 13, 2023**. It will be strictly enforced.

COURSE GOALS

Course Objectives

- The objective of this course is to acquaint students with basic concepts and methods in statistics and probability and demonstrate real world applications using examples drawn from various fields. Topics to be covered include sampling, descriptive statistics, correlation and regression, notions of probability, binomial and normal distributions, estimation and hypothesis testing.

Course Outcomes *Upon successful completion of this course, the student will be able to -*

- Demonstrate their understanding of various statistical terms, types of data, and data collection methods
- Efficiently summarize, organize, and present data
- Effectively compute measures of central tendency, position, and variation and interpret the results
- Demonstrate their understanding of notions of probability and distributions
- Perform statistical analysis, such as estimation, hypothesis testing, correlation and regression and draw conclusions
- Apply statistical reasoning to real world problems and make informed decisions

Course Assessment: The assessment tools used will include class participation, homework assignments, quizzes, two midterm exams, and a cumulative/ comprehensive final exam.

POLICIES

DMS Course Policies: All DMS students must familiarize themselves with, and adhere to, the **Department of Mathematical Sciences Course Policies**, in addition to official **university-wide policies**. DMS takes these policies very seriously and enforces them strictly.

Grading Policy: The final grade in this course will be determined as follows:

Homework	10%
Quizzes	20%
Midterm Exam I	20%
Midterm Exam II	20%
Final Exam	30%

Your final letter grade will be based on the following tentative curve.

A	90 - 100	C	65 - 74
B+	85 - 89	D	55 - 64
B	80 - 84	F	0 - 54
C+	75 - 79		

Attendance Policy: Attendance at all classes will be recorded and is **mandatory**. Please make sure you read and fully understand the **Math Department's Attendance Policy**. This policy will be strictly enforced.

Homework: Homework is assigned every week at the completion of each topic and will be handed in via canvas. Quizzes will be given weekly and will test the material learned in class the week prior.

Exams: There will be two midterm exams, given during the class meeting time, in the semester, and one comprehensive final exam. Exams will be tentatively held on the following days:

Midterm Exam I	October 19, 2023
Midterm Exam II	November 9, 2023
Final Exam Period	December 17 - December 23, 2023

The final exam will test your knowledge of all the course material taught in the entire course. Make sure you read and fully understand the **Math Department's Examination Policy**. This policy will be strictly enforced.

Makeup Exam Policy: There will be **NO MAKE-UP QUIZZES OR EXAMS** during the semester. In the event an exam is not taken under rare circumstances where the student has a legitimate reason for missing the exam, the student should contact the Dean of Students office and present written verifiable proof of the reason for missing the exam, e.g., a doctor's note, police report, court notice, etc. clearly stating the date AND time of the mitigating problem. The student must also notify the Math Department Office/Instructor that the exam will be missed.

Cellular Phones: All cellular phones and other electronic devices must be switched off during all class times.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Math Tutoring Center: Located in the Central King Building, Lower Level, Rm. G11 (See: **Fall 2023 Hours**)

Further Assistance: For further questions, students should contact their instructor. All instructors have regular office hours during the week. These office hours are listed on the Math Department's webpage for **Instructor Office Hours and Emails**.

Accommodation of Disabilities: The Office of Accessibility Resources and Services (OARS) offers long term and temporary accommodations for undergraduate, graduate and visiting students at NJIT.

If you need an accommodation due to a disability, please contact the Office of Accessibility Resources and Services at oars@njit.edu, or visit Kupfrian Hall 201 to discuss your specific needs. A Letter of Accommodation Eligibility from the office authorizing student accommodations is required.

For further information regarding self identification, the submission of medical documentation and additional support services provided please visit the Office of Accessibility Resources and Services (OARS) website at:

<https://www.njit.edu/accessibility/>

Important Dates (See: **Fall 2023 Academic Calendar, Registrar**)

Date	Day	Event
September 4, 2023	Monday	Labor Day
September 5, 2023	Tuesday	First Day of Classes

September 11, 2023	Monday	Last Day to Add/Drop Classes
November 13, 2023	Monday	Last Day to Withdraw
November 21, 2023	Tuesday	Thursday Classes Meet
November 22, 2023	Wednesday	Friday Classes Meet
November 23 to November 26, 2023	Thursday and Saturday	Thanksgiving Recess - Closed
December 13, 2023	Wednesday	Last Day of Classes
December 14, 2023	Thursday	Reading Day 1
December 15, 2023	Friday	Reading Day 2
December 17 to December 23, 2023	Sunday to Saturday	Final Exam Period

Course Outline

Week #	Lecture #	Sections	Topics
1 - 9/7	1	1.1-1.2	Statistics and Sampling
	2	1.3, 2.1	Statistics and Sampling, Organizing Data
2 - 9/14	3	2.2-2.3	Organizing Data
	4	3.1-3.2	Averages and Variation
3 - 9/21	5	3.3, 4.1	Averages and Variation, Correlation and Regression
	6	4.2	Correlation and Regression
4 - 9/28	7	5.1	Probability Theory
	8	5.2	Probability Theory
5 - 10/5	9		MIDTERM EXAM #1
	10		
6 - 10/12	11	5.2	Probability Theory
	12	5.3	Probability Theory
7 - 10/19	13		Finish Chap 5 lecture if necessary In-Class Project (Time Permitting)
	14	6.1-6.3	Discrete Variables, Binomial Distribution
8 - 10/26	15	7.1-7.2	Normal Curves

	16	7.3	Normal Curves
9 - 11/2	17	7.4-7.5	Sampling Distributions and Central Limit Theorem
	18		<i>In-class project</i>
10 - 11/9	19		Midterm Exam Review
	20		MIDTERM #2
11 - 11/16	21	8.1-8.2	Estimating the Mean
	22	8.1-8.2	Estimating the Mean
12 - 11/21*	23	8.3	Estimating Proportions
<i>Tuesday - Thursday class meet</i>	24	9.1-9.2	Testing the Mean
13 - 11/30	25	9.1-9.2	Testing the Mean
	26	9.3	Testing a Proportion <i>Wheel of Fortune project</i>
14 - 12/7	27		Catch up, <i>Chi-Square project</i>
	28		Final Exam Review
EXAM WEEK			FINAL EXAM (CUMULATIVE)

*Updated by Professor K. Carfora - 8/8/2023
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