MATH 663: Introduction to Biostatistics
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: Introduction to statistical techniques with emphasis on applications in health related sciences. This course will be accompanied by examples from biological, medical and clinical applications. Summarizing and displaying data; basic probability and inference; Bayes' theorem and its application in diagnostic testing; estimation, confidence intervals, and hypothesis testing for means and proportions; contingency tables; regression and analysis of variance; logistic regression and survival analysis; basic epidemiologic tools; use of statistical software. MATH 661 and MATH 663 cannot both be used toward degree credits at NJIT.

Number of Credits: 3

Prerequisites: Undergraduate Calculus.

Course-Section and Instructors:

Course-Section	Instructor
Math 663-101	Professor A. Wang

Office Hours for All Math Instructors: Fall 2023 Office Hours and Emails

Required Textbook:

Title	*Fundamentals of Biostatistics*
Author	Bernard Rosner
Edition	8th
Publisher	Cengage
ISBN #	978-1305268920

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

be strictly enforced.

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 and Quizzes	25%
Midterm Exam	30%
Final Exam	45%

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

A	90 - 100	**C**	68 - 74
B+	85 - 89	**D**	50 - 67
B	80 - 84	**F**	0 - 49
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 problems will be assigned in class.

Exams: There will be one midterm exam during the semester and a cumulative final exam during the final exam week:

Midterm Exam	TBA
Final Exam	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

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

Date	Lecture	Chapter	Topic
Week 1	1	Chapter 1-2	Introduction, Descriptive Statistics

Week 2	2	Chapter 3	Probability
Week 3	3	Chapter 4-5	Discrete Probability Distributions and Continuous Probability Distributions
Week 4	4	Chapter 6	Estimation, Sampling Distribution Models and Confidence Intervals for Proportions
Week 5	5	Chapter 7	Hypothesis Testing: One Sample Inference
Week 6	6	Chapter 8	Hypothesis Testing: Two Sample Inference
Week	7	Chapter 10	Categorical data, Chi-Square tests and Two-Sample Test for Binomial Proportions
Week 8	8		Midterm Exam
Week 9	9	Chapter 13	Logistic Regression
Week 10	10	Chapter 14	Survival Analysis I
Week 11	11	Chapter 14	Survival Analysis II
Week 12	12	Chapter 14	Survival Analysis III
Week 13	13		Nonparametric Analysis I
Week 14	14		Nonparametric Analysis II
Week 15	15		Final Review