

THE DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICAL SCIENCES

MATH 105 : Elementary Probability and Statistics
Spring 2024 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 105-102	Professor M. Hercules-Menjivar

Office Hours for All Math Instructors: [Spring 2024 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, April 1, 2024**. 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:

Quizzes	10%
Midterm Exam I	20%
Midterm Exam II	20%
Midterm Exam III	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 and Quiz Policy: Homework will be assigned every week at the completion of each topic. A weekly quiz will be given in class to make sure you are keeping up with the homework. There will be no makeups for missed quizzes.

Exams: There will be three midterm exams held in class during the semester and one comprehensive final exam. Exams are held on the following days:

Midterm Exam I	Week 4
Midterm Exam II	Week 8
Midterm Exam III	Week 12
Final Exam Period	May 3 - May 9, 2024

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: [Spring 2024 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 are in need of accommodations due to a disability please If you need an accommodation due to a disability please contact the Office of Accessibility Resources and Services at oars@njit.edu. The office is located in Kupfrian Hall, Room 201. A Letter of Accommodation Eligibility from the Office of Accessibility Resources and Services office authorizing your accommodations will be 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: [Spring 2024 Academic Calendar, Registrar](#))

Date	Day	Event
January 16, 2024	Tuesday	First Day of Classes
January 22, 2024	Monday	Last Day to Add/Drop Classes
March 10, 2024	Sunday	Spring Recess Begins
March 16, 2024	Saturday	Spring Recess Ends
March 29, 2024	Friday	Good Friday - No Classes
April 1, 2024	Monday	Last Day to Withdraw
April 30, 2024	Tuesday	Friday Classes Meet
April 30, 2024	Tuesday	Last Day of Classes
May 1, 2024	Wednesday	Reading Day 1
May 2, 2024	Thursday	Reading Day 2
May 3 - May 9, 2024	Friday to Thursday	Final Exam Period

Course Outline

Week #	Sections	Topics
1	1.1-1.3	Statistics and Sampling
	1.1-1.3	
2	2.1-2.3	Organizing Data
	2.1-2.3	
3	3.1-3.3	Averages and Variation
	3.1-3.3	
4		Midterm Exam 1
5	4.1-4.2	Correlation and Regression
	4.1-4.2	
6	5.1-5.3	Probability Theory
	5.1-5.3	

7	6.1-6.3	Binomial Distribution
	6.1-6.3	
8		Midterm II
9	7.1-7.3	Normal Curves
	7.1-7.3	
10	7.4-7.5	Sampling Distribution
	7.4-7.5	
11	7.6	Normal Approximation to the Binomial Distr.
	8.1-8.2	Estimating the Mean
12		Midterm III
13	8.3	Estimating Proportions
	9.1	Hypothesis Testing
14	9.2	Testing the Mean
	9.3	Testing a Proportion
15		Distorting and Lying with Statistics
		FINAL EXAM REVIEW
EXAM WEEK	1.1-9.3	FINAL EXAM (CUMULATIVE)

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