

Fayetteville State University
College of Arts and Sciences
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STAT 202 Basic Probability and Statistics
Fall 2011

I. Locator Information:

Instructor: **Dr. Radoslav Nickolov**

Course # and Name: **STAT 202-03 Basic Probability and Statistics**

Semester Credit Hours: **3**

Office Location: **SBE 307-C**

Office hours: **MWF 10:00am -11:00am**

TR 11:00am – 1:30pm

Day, Time and Room Class Meets: **TR 8:00am - 9:15am, SBE 116**

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Total Contact Hours for Class: **36.25**

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MathXL (www.mathxl.com) Course ID: **XL0P-I10U-901Z-1AU2**

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II. Course Description: An introduction to the study of probability and statistical inference. *Prerequisite: MATH 123*

III. Disabled Student Services: In accordance with Section 504 of the 1973 Rehabilitation Act and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ACA) of 1990, if you have a disability or think you have a disability to please contact the Center for Personal Development in the Spaulding Building, Room 155 (1st Floor); 910-672-1203.

IV. Textbook: Larson, R. and Farber, B., Elementary Statistics: Picturing the World, 5rd edition, Pearson Prentice Hall. ISBN: 9780321693624 **with** MathXL Online Course for Elementary Statistics: Picturing the World, 5/E, ISBN-10: 032169371X, ISBN-13: 9780321693716 (**required!**)

V. Student Learning Outcomes - Upon completion of this course, students will be able to:

- Understand the basic concepts of probability theory and statistics.
- Calculate elementary probabilities using combinations and permutations.
- Apply the Binomial Theorem.
- Use experimental and theoretical probabilities to formulate and solve applied problems.
- Compute probabilities related to normal random variables.
- Calculate expected values, variances and covariances.
- Construct and interpret statistical graphs and displays.
- Estimate means and proportions and construct confidence intervals.
- Construct and test statistical hypotheses involving problems in social and natural sciences.
- Organize data and make predictions through the use of summary statistics, correlation, regression and curve fitting.

VI. NCDPI and NCATE Standards

Standards Used in this Course	NCDPI Standards for Mathematics Teacher Candidates	NCATE Standard(s)	Assessment(s)
✓	<p>1. Mathematics teacher candidates possess the mathematical knowledge needed to enable students to understand numbers, ways of representing numbers, and relationships among numbers and number systems and to enable students to understand meanings of operations and how they relate to one another. Candidates enable students to develop computational fluency and to make reasonable estimates. At the middle and secondary grade levels, teacher candidates need the mathematical knowledge to enable students to transfer their understanding of numbers and number operations to symbolic expressions involving variables. Number sense, numeration, numerical operation, and algebraic thinking</p>	Content Knowledge	Homework and tests
	<p>2. Mathematics teacher candidates possess the mathematical knowledge needed to enable students to analyze the characteristics and properties of 2- and 3-dimensional geometric shapes; to develop mathematical arguments about geometric relationships; to understand units, processes of measure, and measurable attributes of objects; and to apply appropriate techniques, tools, and formulas to determine measurements. They enable students to develop the visualization, spatial reasoning, and geometric modeling to solve problems. Teacher candidates particularly at middle and secondary grade levels need the mathematical knowledge to enable students to use coordinate geometry in solving problems, to understand concepts of symmetry, and to apply transformations. Spatial sense, measurement and geometry</p>		
✓	<p>3. Mathematics teacher candidates possess the mathematical knowledge needed to enable students to understand patterns, relations, and functions. This includes the use of algebraic symbols to represent and analyze mathematical situations, the use of mathematical models to represent and understand quantitative relationships, and the analysis of “change” in various contexts. Patterns, relationships, and functions</p>	Content Knowledge	Homework, tests, and project
✓	<p>4. Mathematics teacher candidates possess the mathematical knowledge needed to enable students to formulate questions that can be addressed with data, along with the necessary skills to collect, organize, and display relevant data to answer those questions. They enable students to select and use appropriate statistical methods to analyze data, to understand and apply basic concepts of probability, and to develop and evaluate inferences and predictions that are based on data. Data analysis, probability and statistics</p>	Pedagogical Content Knowledge	Homework, tests, and project
✓	<p>5. Mathematics teacher candidates possess the mathematical knowledge needed to enable students to develop skills in problem solving, making connections between various branches of mathematics, reasoning and proof, and communication and representation of mathematical ideas. Mathematical process skills</p>	Content Knowledge	Homework, tests, and project

✓	6. Mathematics teacher candidates must be versed in the appropriate use of mathematical tools and manipulatives. Mathematical tools	Knowledge and Content, Technological Competence, Pedagogical Content Knowledge	Homework, project
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VII. Course Requirements and Evaluation Criteria

The following is a list of the assessment tools, and their respective weights, that will be used in determining the course grade.

Homework (31 homework assignments on www.MathXL.com , each with weight of 0.65%)	<u>20%</u>
Tests (3 highest test scores out of 4 tests, each with weight of 18.3%)	<u>55%</u>
Project	<u>5%</u>
Final Exam	<u>20%</u>

Final grade will be established on the basis of the grading scale below:

A	90-100%
B	80- 89%
C	70 - 79%
D	60 - 69%
F	Below 60%
FN	Failing due to non-attendance (Student registered, but <u>never</u> attended.)

Please note: If these evaluation criteria must be revised because of extraordinary circumstances, the instructor will distribute a written amendment to the syllabus.

Requirements

1. Pre-requisite: MATH 123.
2. The student is expected to read the topics to be considered in class in advance (see the class outline bellow). The student is expected to complete all assignments and to spend adequate time on class work to insure that the course outcomes are met.
3. It is the responsibility of the student to attend all class meetings, and obtain individual help from the instructor. Student whose class absences exceed 10% of the total contact hours (i.e. 3.75 hours) will be assigned an interim grade "EA".
4. Since the lowest test will be dropped there will be **no makeup tests** unless under extenuating circumstances.
5. The student is expected to submit her/his homework on time. Late homework assignments will not be accepted unless under extenuating circumstances.
6. Students are expected to enter the classroom on time and remain until the class ends. Late arrivals and early departures without appropriate excuses will not be tolerated.
7. Each student is encouraged to participate in class discussions for a clearer understanding and meet with the instructor when additional assistance is needed.
8. All class discussions should be done in a soberly, orderly, and respectful manner.
9. **Dishonesty on graded assignments will not be tolerated.** Students must neither give nor receive help on any work to be graded. The University policy on cheating will be applied to any violations. The minimum penalty will be a grade of zero on the assignment.
10. No usage of cellular and other electronic devices (except a calculator) is permitted during class!
11. **Withdrawal from Class**
Withdraw from Class means you are withdrawing from 1 or 2 classes that you will not be attending and you have other classes on your schedule that you will attend. Effective Fall 2009, students will be allowed only 5

withdrawals from class for the remainder of your college career. The 6th W will be calculated as "F" (<http://www.uncfsu.edu/registrar/withdrawals.htm>).

Project

Under the instructor's direction students are expected to analyze data (collected by the student or retrieved from the internet) using appropriate statistical techniques and report and interpret the results. Time permitting each student will be required to make a short presentation at the end of the semester. Areas of further studies should be incorporated in the report. The *double-spaced* typewritten paper, not exceeding ten (10pages) should include:

- Title Page
- Abstract
- Section 1: Introduction including statement of the problem.
- Section 2: Literature Review
- Section 3: Methodology or Procedure
- Section 4: Data Analysis; Results
- Section 5: Summary; Conclusions; Recommendations; References.

Note: The project outline may be changed for the benefit of the class.

VIII. Academic Support Resources

- **Blackboard System**

<http://blackboard.uncfsu.edu/>

All class documents (syllabus, instructors' locator card etc.) and resources (slides, worksheets, handouts and reviews for tests) will be posted on the Blackboard system.

- **MathXL**

You can access your course from your MathXL page at <http://www.mathxl.com/>.

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- **Math Learning Center**

Information is available here

<http://www.uncfsu.edu/learningcenter/math/>

- **Smarthinking**

Information is available here

<http://www.uncfsu.edu/learningcenter/wac/CampusResource.htm>

IX. Course Outline and Assignment Schedule

Week	Date	Section / Topic	Homework due
1	08.18.11	Discussion about the syllabus; 1.1 An Overview of Statistics	
2	08.23.11	1.2 Data Classification 1.3 Experimental Design	
	08.25.11	2.1 Frequency Distributions and Their Graphs	
3	08.30.11	2.2 More Graphs and Displays 2.3 Measures of Central Tendency	
	09.01.11	2.4 Measures of Variation	
4	09.06.11	2.5 Measures of Position Review for Test 1	
	09.08.11	Test 1 (09.08.2011)	Chapters 1 & 2
5	09.13.11	3.1 Basic Concepts of Probability and Counting 3.2 Conditional Probability and the Multiplication Rule	
	09.15.11	3.3 The Addition Rule	
6	09.20.11	3.4 Additional Topics in Probability and Counting 4.1 Probability Distributions	
	09.22.11	4.2 Binomial Distributions	
7	09.27.11	4.3 More Discrete Probability Distributions	
	09.29.11	Review for Test 2	

8	10.04.11	Test 2 (10.04.2011) 5.1 Introduction to Normal Distributions and the Standard Normal Distribution	Chapters 3 & 4
	10.06.11		
9	10.11.11	5.2 Normal Distributions: Finding Probabilities	
	10.13.11	5.3 Normal Distributions: Finding Values 5.4 Sampling Distributions and the Central Limit Theorem	
10	10.20.11	5.5 Normal Approximations to Binomial Distributions 6.1 Confidence Intervals for the Mean (Large Samples)	
11	10.25.11	6.2 Confidence Intervals for the Mean (Small Samples)	
	10.27.11	6.3 Confidence Intervals for Population Proportions Review for Test 3	
12	11.01.11	Test 3 (11.01.2011)	Chapters 5 & 6
	11.03.11	7.1 Introduction to Hypothesis Testing	
13	11.08.11	7.2 Hypothesis Testing for the Mean (Large Samples)	
	11.10.11	7.3 Hypothesis Testing for the Mean (Small Samples) 7.4 Hypothesis Testing for Proportions.	
14	11.15.11	10.1 Goodness of Fit Test 10.2 Independence	
	11.17.11	Test 4 (11.17.11, take home) 9.1 Correlation	Chapters 7 & 10
15	11.22.11	9.2 Linear Regression	
16	11.29.11	9.3 Measures of Regression and Prediction Intervals	
	12.01.11	Review for the final exam	Chapter 9
17	TBA	Final Exam	

Note: This schedule is tentative! It might be changed for the benefit of the class.

Note: In case FSU must close for an emergency during the semester, instruction will continue using Blackboard.

X. Teaching Strategies

Stat 202 is a lecture-based course designed to present the basic theories of probability and statistics. Each lecture will contain a summary of the most important concepts from each chapter section. The graphics calculator and/or computer will be utilized to bring clarity and understanding to each concept or theory discussed. Questions will be posed to class to measure comprehension. Therefore, there will be lectures, class discussions, student presentations and cooperative group learning activities.

XI. Bibliography

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