

MATH 3351 Probability and Statistics

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Class Meeting Time: TR 9:30a - 10:50a, RBN 3041

Required Text: *Statistics for Technology*, by Chris Chatfield

We will cover Chapters 1-10, and 12.

If you chose to take this class you will:

- *Read the book* – Read the material being covered prior to attending class and again after.
- *Attend Class* – You should not take this course if you are not committed to attending class.
- *Complete Homework* – Homework completion is vital to the understanding of the material.

Grading Policy

Your final grade will be based on the following:

Exams (80 pts)

There will be **four** 20 point exams throughout the semester. Every exam is comprehensive.

Quizzes (10 pts)

There will be **five** 2 point quizzes throughout the semester. They will be based on the current homework problems.

Data Analysis (10 pts)

There will be **two** 5 point data analysis assignments throughout the semester.

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Your final grade will be no more harsh than the following scale

Percentages

100 - 85 A, below 85 - 70 B, below 70 - 55 C, below 55 - 50 D, below 50 F

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A bit about grading

Below is the grading scheme that will be used for all exam problems. Whether this splits up to each part of a multi-part problem depends on the necessary work to move through each problem.

- 0 - No progress or relevant information given for the problem
- 1 - Some progress which could lead to a correct solution
- 2 - Significant progress, major elements present, partial explanation/proof
- 3 - Essentially complete and correct solution, with minor gaps, errors, or lack of explanation
- 4 - Fully correct and complete solution with all relevant information and explanation

For quizzes

- 0 - No progress or relevant information given for the problem
- 1 - Significant progress, major elements present, partial explanation/proof
- 2 - Fully correct and complete solution with all relevant information and explanation

UT Tyler Honor Code

To embrace honor and integrity that will not allow me to lie, cheat, or steal, nor to accept the actions of those who do.

Plagiarism and Academic Dishonesty

Any work submitted must represent your own effort!

Make-up Policy

Make-ups for documented absences that are required as part of a UT Tyler obligation (e.g. athletes participating in an event, participating in a debate contest, etc.) or for religious observation will be granted. For all make-ups of this type, prior notification of at least one week and documentation are required.

Classroom Policy

When you attend class you are to be actively engaged in the classroom activity. Also, you are to be respectful of those around you and conduct yourself in a collegial manner. Students not adhering to this may be asked to leave the classroom.

A bit about study groups

In my experience, study groups are most successful when the following is done. The problems should be attempted by the group members before the group meets. If problems are worked from start to finish in the group only the strongest students will benefit. You should limit the amount of outside aid you get in the course. I do not recommend tutoring. If you have questions come see *me*.

Student Learning Outcomes

By the end of the course students should:

- have a workable understanding of Probability and Statistics
- be able to analyze a physical problem and determine what type of probability distribution best models the situation.
- be able to use mathematical techniques, to solve and gain information about the situations of interests.
- be able to use mathematical results to make conclusions about physical models studied.

Important Dates:

Census Date - September 8th Drop Date - November 3rd Final Exam - December 11th

Schedule

Due dates for all assignments will be posted on Canvas.

Calculator Policy: Graphing calculators are not allowed on exams. You may use simple scientific calculators for help with arithmetic.

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