

MATH 453 01W: ESSENTIALS OF STATISTICS
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DESCRIPTION AND POLICIES:

1. CLASS SCHEDULE: Online (Section 01W)
Office hours will be held online at times indicated above via the Adobe Connect website: <http://connect.tamuc.edu/coskun>. Students will have access to this discussion room as a **guest** without an account. Please join office hours conveniently scheduled twice a week for all questions.
2. TEXTBOOK: The following free resources will be used in this course.
Instructor's Lecture Notes, will be provided by the instructor.
Open Introduction Statistics by David M Diez, Christopher D Barr, and Mine Cetinkaya-Rundel, third edition, a free online text available at the OpenIntro website.
simpleR: Using R for Introductory Statistics by Verzani, J., a free online text available at the CRAN, the Comprehensive R Archive Network website.
3. SOFTWARE: The **R software** is required for the course. It will be used extensively for manipulating data and carrying out computations in classroom discussions as well as homework exercises and projects. R is a free software environment for statistical computing and graphics that may be **downloaded** at the CRAN website. We will also use the free R Studio platform that integrates R software, and is available for downloading at the website.
4. WEBSITE & INTERNET: A BrightSpace **course website** is created for the course which may be accessed from student myLeo accounts. All files and documents, lecture notes and outlines, links to video content, and software modules that the instructor shares with the class will be posted in the course website. All material posted or shared at the course website is **copyrighted** ©. You are allowed to retain one copy of each file for your personal use, but the files should not be distributed in any form without instructor's written consent.

5. **COURSE DESCRIPTION:** Techniques of statistical applications concerning descriptive statistics, tests of hypothesis, regression and analysis of variance. **Prerequisites** One course in college mathematics.
6. **TESTS & PROJECTS:** There will be **two exams/projects**, one midterm and one comprehensive final. Each test will consist **two parts**: a written part, and a take home part. The written tests must be taken in a **certified testing center** on the exam date listed below. Students should register with a testing center and forward the contact information to the instructor at least one week before the test dates. The take-home projects will be worked using **R Studio**, and turned in electronically as an R notebook into the corresponding Submission Folder by the deadlines indicated in the **lecture outlines**. No make up test will be given without an official, written, university accepted excuse. The student must contact the instructor the next working day and present the documented excuse to make up a test. Late work is not accepted.
7. **TENTATIVE EXAM SCHEDULE:**

Midterm	200 pts	Monday March 11, 2019	3:00p
Final	200 pts	Monday May 6, 2019	3:00p
8. **HOMEWORK:** Homework will be assigned in **every class** meeting on a regular basis. Selected assignments and problems will be graded only, but all homework problems should be worked out. The assignments will be turned in **electronically** (in form of an R notebook) by due dates into the Submission Folder for that week at the course website. Student name and homework number should be printed at the top of each notebook. You may work in groups unless otherwise instructed, however the paper you turn in must be your own work. **Late homework** is not accepted. Homework score is worth **50 points** of the total semester grade.
9. **LEARNING OUTCOMES:** Students who complete this course successfully will
 - a) learn the **terminology** of descriptive statistics, discrete and continuous random variables, sampling, hypothesis testing, and regression;
 - b) learn the **methods** used in solving problems in these topics;
 - c) learn the **applications** of the methods to practical real world problems.
10. **GRADING SCALE:** All scores will be added and a **letter grade** will be assigned according to the following table.

A	406 - 450 pts
B	361 - 405 pts
C	316 - 360 pts
D	271 - 315 pts
F	0 - 270 pts

11. **TENTATIVE COURSE OUTLINE:** We cover **all or certain parts of these topics** from the first five chapters of the textbook as time permits.

Chapter 0: Introduction to R (Week 1)

Chapter 1: Introduction to data (Week 2)

Chapter 2: Probability (Weeks 3, 4, 5)

Chapter 3: Distributions of random variables (Weeks 5, 6, 7)

Chapter 4: Foundations for inference (Weeks 7, 8, 9)

Chapter 5: Inference for numerical data (Weeks 9, 10, 11)

Chapter 6: Inference for categorical data (Weeks 11, 12, 13)

Chapter 7: Introduction to linear regression (Weeks 13, 14)

Chapter 8: Multiple and logistic regression(Weeks 14, 15)

12. **MISCELLANEOUS:** Your enrollment in this course indicates that **you agree to observe** all the conditions and regulations of this syllabus and the Student Handbook. The test and homework scores may be filed to be used anonymously for educational research.

It is the **student's responsibility** to secure the software licenses if any, and other resources (such as a personal computer with proper operating system to run the software, broadband internet access, etc.) to be able to complete and communicate all assignments, tests and projects to the instructor as required. The access information to **Help Desk** for technical support are available through the D2L website. You should contact the community forums and/or **technical support lines** for all installation, licensing, and other technical questions about the software.

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Any **possible changes** to be made in this syllabus by the instructor during the semester will be announced by email.