

MATH 279: Statistics and Probability for Engineers

Fall 2021 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.

DMS Online Exam Policy Fall 2021: In the event it is determined that DMS will conduct Common Exams online during Fall 2021, those exams will be administered in Canvas with proctoring using both Respondus LockDown Browser+Monitor on a computer (PC or Mac only; iPad and Chromebooks are not currently supported) and Webex on a phone or secondary device.

Please be sure you read and fully understand our [DMS Online Exam Policy](#).

COURSE INFORMATION

Course Description: This course introduces methods of summarizing and analyzing engineering data and the importance of observing processes over time such as control charts. Descriptive statistics, plots and diagrams are then used to summarize the data. Elements of probability and random variables with their distributions along with mean and variance are taught. All this knowledge is then used as a platform towards covering how to do basic estimation and inference, including confidence intervals and hypothesis testing based on a single sample. Students taking this course cannot receive degree credit for [MATH 225](#), [MATH 244](#), or [MATH 333](#).

Number of Credits: 2

Prerequisites: [MATH 112](#) with a grade of C or better or [MATH 133](#) with a grade of C or better.

Course-Section and Instructors:

Course-Section	Instructor
Math 279-001	Professor K. Carfora

Office Hours for All Math Instructors: [Fall 2021 Office Hours and Emails](#)

Required Textbook:

*A PDF of the textbook (Elementary Statistics, Bluman, 7th edition) will be provided to you on canvas; you **DO NOT** need to purchase a textbook for this course!*

University-wide Withdrawal Date: The last day to withdraw with a W is **Wednesday, November 10, 2021**. 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	10%
Quizzes	25%
Midterm Exam	30%
Final Exam	35%

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

A	90 - 100	C	70 - 74
B+	85 - 89	D	60 - 69
B	80 - 84	F	0 - 59
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.

Technology Requirements: Exams will be proctored using both Respondus LockDown Browser+Monitor and Webex. Students will be required to join a Webex meeting from their phone with their cameras on, and to access the exam through LockDown Browser on a Mac or Windows PC with webcam. Students must follow all instructions related to environment checks and camera positioning.

Homework: Homework will be assigned through Canvas and may be collected on a weekly basis.

Quiz Policy: A short quiz based on homework and lecture will be given frequently. They may be announced or pop-quizzes given without prior warning.

Exams: There will be one midterm exam held in class during the semester and one comprehensive final exam. Exams will be held during the following weeks:

Midterm Exam I	Class #8 (October 26)
Final Exam Period	December 15 - 21, 2021

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: [Fall 2021 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 contact Scott Janz, Associate Director of Disability Support Services at [973-596-5417](tel:973-596-5417) or via email at scott.p.janz@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/studentssuccess/accessibility/>

Important Dates (See: [Fall 2021 Academic Calendar, Registrar](#))

Date	Day	Event
September 1, 2021	Wednesday	First Day of Classes
September 4, 2021	Saturday	Saturday Classes Begin
September 6, 2021	Monday	Labor Day
September 8, 2021	Wednesday	Monday Classes Meet
September 8, 2021	Wednesday	Last Day to Add/Drop Classes
November 10, 2021	Wednesday	Last Day to Withdraw
November 25 to November 28, 2021	Thursday to Sunday	Thanksgiving Recess - Closed
December 10, 2021	Friday	Last Day of Classes
December 13 and December 14, 2021	Monday and Tuesday	Reading Days
December 15 to	Wednesday to	Final Exam Period

December 21, 2021	Tuesday	
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Course Outline

Class	Section	Topic
1	1.1-1.2, 2.1-2.3	Intro, Frequency Distributions, Stem & Leaf Plots, Histograms
2	3.1-3.4	Numerical Summary of Data, Box Plots (No Empirical Rule)
3	4.1-4.5	Probability
4	5.1-5.3	Discrete Variables: Probability Distributions, Mean, Variance, Binomial Distribution
5	Alt text: 4.1, 4.3	Continuous Variables: PDFs, Mean, Variance
6	3.2-3.3, 6.1-6.2	Empirical Rule, Standard Normal Distribution, Z-scores, Other Normal Distributions
7		Catch up & Review
8		Midterm Exam
9	6.3, 7.1	Central Limit Theorem, Intro to Confidence Intervals
10	7.1-7.3	Confidence Intervals for a mean, for a proportion
11	8.1-8.2	Hypothesis Testing
12	8.3-8.4	Hypothesis Testing, In-class Project (Wheel of Fortune)
13	10.1-10.2	Linear Regression
14		Catch up & Review
15		Final Exam

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