

## MATH 120: Basic Concepts in Statistics *Spring 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 Spring 2021:** 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.

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

### COURSE INFORMATION

**Course Description:** The course offers an introduction to the basic concepts in statistics. Topics include the role of statistics, data summary, normal distribution, elements of probability, and computation of mean and variance. This course will also include an introduction to statistical estimation and inference.

**Number of Credits:** 1

**Prerequisites:** None.

**Course-Section and Instructors**

Course-Section	Instructor
Math 120-102	Professor D. Schmidt

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

**Required Textbook:**

Title	<i>General Statistics</i>
Author	Chase and Bown
Edition	4th
Publisher	John Wiley & Sons, Inc.
ISBN #	978-0471283102

**University-wide Withdrawal Date:** The last day to withdraw with a W is **Monday, April 5, 2021**. It will be strictly enforced.

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## 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	15%
Quizzes	30%
Midterm	25%
Final	30%

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

A	90 - 100	C	60 - 69
B+	85 - 89	D	50 - 59
B	80 - 84	F	0 - 49
C+	70 - 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 Policy:** Homework will be assigned in class.

**Quiz Policy:** A quiz will be given every class starting the second class except the week of the midterm.

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

Midterm Exam I	Meeting 8
Final Exam Period	May 7 - 13, 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.

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## ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

**Math Tutoring Center:** Located in the Central King Building, Lower Level, Rm. G11 (See: [Spring 2020 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](#).

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**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 Chantonette Lyles, Associate Director of the Office of Accessibility Resources and Services at [973-596-5417](tel:973-596-5417) or via email at [lyles@njit.edu](mailto:lyles@njit.edu). The office is located in Kupfrian Hall, Room 201. A Letter of Accommodation Eligibility from the Office of Accessibility Resources and Services 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/studentsuccess/accessibility/>

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

Date	Day	Event
January 19, 2021	T	First Day of Classes
January 23, 2021	S	Saturday Classes Begin
January 25, 2021	M	Last Day to Add/Drop Classes
March 14 - March 21, 2021	Su - Su	Spring Recess - No Classes
April, 2, 2021	F	Good Friday - No Classes
April 5, 2021	M	Last Day to Withdraw
May 4, 2021	T	Friday Classes Meet
May 4, 2021	T	Last Day of Classes
May 5 & May 6, 2021	W & R	Reading Days
May 7 - May 13, 2021	F - R	Final Exam Period

## Course Outline

Meeting	Section	Topic
1	2.1-2.4	Introduction, Summarizing Data, Graphic Representations, The Shape of a Distribution
2	2.5,2.7	Stem and leaf plots, Measures of Central Tendency
3	2.8	Measures of Dispersion
4	2.9,2.10	Percentiles, Quartiles, and Interquartile Range, Box Plots
5	3.1-3.3	The Least Squares Regression Line, The Linear Correlation Coefficient
6	5.1, 5.2	Introduction To Probability, Random Variables
7	5.3	Discrete Probability Distributions, Mean and Variance, Discussion of Midterm Topics
8		<b>MIDTERM EXAM</b>

9	6.1, 6.2	Continuous Probability Distributions
10	6.3, 6.4	The Normal Distribution, The Standard Normal Distribution
11	6.5, 6.7	More on Normal Probability, The Central Limit Theorem
12	7.1-7.2	Estimating a Population Mean
13	7.3	Hypothesis Testing Concerning a Population Mean (Large-Sample Case)
14	7.4	P-values, Discussion of Final Exam Topics
***		<b>FINAL EXAM</b>

*Updated by Professor D. Schmidt - 1/13/2021*  
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