

MATH 461: Introduction to statistical Computing with SAS and R *Spring 2021 Course Syllabus*

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COURSE INFORMATION

Course Description: This course will study SAS and R programming and emphasize the SAS and R data steps including getting data into the SAS and R environments, working and combining data using control flows, merge and subsets, etc. as well as learning to export data and to generate high resolution graphics. Several SAS and R statistical procedures or functions will also be discussed and illustrated. Finally, interactive statistical software JMP and Minitab are briefly introduced.

Number of Credits: 3

Prerequisites: Basic knowledge in statistical concepts or instructor approval.

Course-Section and Instructors

Course-Section	Instructor
Math 461-102	Professor Z. Shang

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

Recommended Textbooks:

	BOOK 1	BOOK 2
Title	<i>The R book</i>	<i>The Little SAS Book: A Primer</i>
Author	M.J. Crawley	Delwiche & Slaughter
Edition	2nd	6th
Publisher	Prentice Hall	SAS Institute Inc.
ISBN #	9780470973929	978-1642952834

University-wide Withdrawal Date: The last day to withdraw with a W is **Monday, April 5, 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:

Assignments	20%
Quiz	20%
Midterm Exam	30%
Final Exam	30%

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

A	90 - 100	C+	70 - 79
B+	85 - 89	C	60 - 70
B	80 - 84	F	0 - 59

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.

Quiz: There may be quizzes during lecture time. The quiz is about 20-30 mins.

Exams: There will be one midterm exam (in-class part plus take-home part) during the semester and one comprehensive final exam (in-class part plus take-home part). Exams are held on the following days:

Midterm Exam	March 10, 2021
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: To properly report your absence from a midterm or final exam, please review and follow the required steps under the DMS Examination Policy found here:

- http://math.njit.edu/students/policies_exam.php

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: **Spring 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**.

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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. 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

Lecture	Topic	Notes
1	Introduction to SAS and R	
2	SAS tutorials I	
3	SAS tutorials II	
4	SAS tutorials III	
5	R tutorials I	
6	R tutorials II	
	MIDTERM EXAM	IN-CLASS EXAM
7	Descriptive analysis	
8	Simple tests	
9	Regression analysis I	
10	Regression analysis II	

11	Categorical data analysis	
12	Data mining and machine learning basics	
	FINAL EXAM REVIEW	
	FINAL BEGINS MAY 7 - 13, 2021	

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