

Capital University of Economics and Business Overseas Chinese College Course Syllabus

2018 Fall (September 3, 2018 - January 2, 2019) **Year and Semester**

Course Name Statistical Thinking and Data Analysis

Course Code MAT332

Course Type ☐ General Education (Required) ☐ General Education (Elective)

> ☐ Professional Course (Required) ☐ Professional Course (Elective)

☑ Basic Disciplinary Course

3 **Course Credits Course Hours**

Prerequisites Calculus, Linear Algebra, and Probability and Statistics

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Learning Centre W: 10:00-12:00; Th: 08:00—10:00

2018BA/Y01 **Grade/Section**

Course Time/Place T: 10:10—12:00 /D205;

W: 08:00-08:50 /D205

Textbook

David R. Anderson, Dennis J. Sweeney, Thomas A. Williams, STATISTICS FOR BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS; 13e, Thomason Learning, ISBN:.

Reference Book

- M. R. Spiegel. Schaum's outline of theory and problems of probability and statistics. Schaum's outline series. McGraw-Hill, New York, 1975.
- L. Blank. Statistical procedures for engineering, management, and science. McGraw Hill, New York, 1980.
- K. Subrahmaniam. A primer in probability, volume 111 of Statistics: textbooks and monographs. Marcel Dekker, New York, second edition, 1990.
- W. Feller. An introduction to probability theory and its applications. Wiley series in probability and mathematical statistics. Wiley, New York, third edition, 1967-1968.
- N. C. Giri. Introduction to probability and statistics (in two parts), volume 7 of Statistics: textbooks and monographs. Marcel Dekker, New York, 1974.
- Y. G. Sinay. Probability theory, an introductory course. Springer-Verlag, Berlin; New York, 1992.

Course Description

An introduction to mathematical statistics that emphasizes the probabilistic foundations required to understand probability models and statistical methods. The purpose of Statistics for Business and Economics is to provide students, primarily in the fields of business administration and economics, with a



sound conceptual introduction to the field of statistics and its many applications. The course is applicationsoriented, and topics covered will include the, confidence interval, hypotheses testing, analysis of variance and linear regression.

Student Learning Objectives

After completing this course, students will be able:

- To provide students with a good understanding sampling process.
- To help students develop the ability to estimate unknown parameters.
- To introduce students to some of procedures of decision making using hypothesis testing.
- To develop the ability and skill of data analysis and model building with regression models.

Website Source

- Statistics & Probability: http://42explore.com/statistics.htm
- Charles M. Grinstead and J. Laurie Snell's textbook Introduction to Probability: http://www.dartmouth.edu/~chance/teaching aids/books articles/probability book/book.html, an on-line textbook on probability and statistics.
- The Chance Website: http://www.dartmouth.edu/~chance/index.html

The goal of Chance is to make students more informed, critical readers of current news stories that use probability and statistics.

- http://archives.math.utk.edu/topics/probability.html. Math Archives. Probability: http://archives.math.utk.edu/topics/statistics.html
- The Probability Web: http://www.mathcs.carleton.edu/probweb/probweb.html

Teaching Methods

his course consists of lectures, discussions, and individual presentations. Students must be prepared to finish some small questions and small quiz during the class. Homework is assigned sing the Blackboard platform.

Grade Criterion

Component	Weight	Description	
	20%	A cumulative final examination will be given based on all of the contents	
		of the class. The exam paper may be composed of multiple-choice	
Final Exam		questions, short answer questions, essay questions, problems, and	
Fillal Exam		preparation of financial statements. Students should rely primarily on	
		homework assignments to give them a sense of what they may see for	
		material on exams.	
		A cumulative midterm test will be given based on all of the contents that	
Mid-Term Test	20%	have been taught in class. The test paper may be mainly composed of	
Wild-Term Test		multiple-choice questions and it should be completed within 15 minutes	
		in class.	
	15%	Most of the assigned homework is taken from the Exercises in the	
Homework		textbook. Assignments will be collected at the clearly stated date. Late	
Homework		assignments will not be accepted. The graded assignments will be kept	
		by the tutor for reference and won't be returned to students.	
Quizzes	15%	There will be at least 2 quizzes during the semester. Quizzes may or may	



		not be announced in advance. It may also be used as a way to check the
		attendance. Quizzes will test your knowledge of both concepts and the
		application of those concepts.
		The students will be divided into several groups to prepare a presentation.
		Each student is required to be involved in the presentation. The topics
Presentation	10%	can be selected from the textbook or lectures. Each group need to finish
		a PPT related to the topic which is given and hand in the related resources
		to the teacher before the presentation.
		Individuals will be asked to participate individually in a question and
Participation	10%	answer at least 5 times during the semester. The performances should be
		counted in their participation.
Attendance	10%	Refer to attendance policy listed below
Total	100%	

Detailed Grade Computation

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	Before Midterm	After Midterm	
Attendance	5%	5%	
Participation	5%	5%	
Homework	5%	10%	
Quizzes	5%	10%	
Presentation		10%	
Midterm test	20%		
Final exam		20%	
Total	40%	60%	

Grading Policy

A+ 97-100	A 93-96	A- 90–92	B+ 87-89	B 83-86	B- 80–82
C+ 75-79	C 70-74	C- 67–69	D+ 63-66	D 62-60	F 0- 59

Exam Schedule

Midterm Test: November 5-9, 2018; Final Exam: January 2-11, 2019

Assessment of Student Performance

☞ Self-Study and Reading ability Practice

Instructor will give out the chapters or the reference books to read and use class hours to have discussion; students should be able to show a proactive attitude and ability for self-study and reading. Knowledge and oral English will be elements of homework or presentation score.

ℱHomework

Students should finish their homework by themselves. Copying from others will be treated as cheating and the homework scores will be lowered. Students should hand in all assignments on time. Late assignments will be accepted at the discretion of the instructor (i.e., when the student was ill or had an excused absence). Late assignments without reasonable proof will be reduced in score by 50%.



☞ Attendance

Because the course covers a great deal of material, attending every class session is very important for performing well.

- Being late for 15 minutes or more is considered an absence.
- Five hours or above of unexcused absences will result in the lower level of the final grade by one grade band (e.g. from C – to D +). Any excused absence must be discussed directly with the teacher.
- Absence which is more than 1/3 of the total teaching hours will cause an F (a failing grade) directly. but students are welcome to continue attending classes.
- An incomplete grade (I) will be considered in case of medical or family emergencies.

Participation

- Students should participate in classes actively. Half of participation grade is determined by their presentation in class. They are encouraged to ask questions relevant to the subject and express their own opinions. Every student should respect the ideas, opinions, and questions of their classmates.
- · Students should also use office hours to ask questions or talk with the instructor for good communication and effective learning.
- Frequent visiting the instructor and chatting in English during office hours is highly recommended.
- Any misbehavior and non-class related activities in class will result in the lower level of the participation grade, including ringing cell phones.
- All above behaviors will be solely evaluated by the instructor for scoring.

**Blackboard - https://preview-learn.blackboard.com

Homework assessments and course materials are on the Blackboard online education system. Students are allowed one attempt at each test. The deadline for homework is 23:59 pm on Sunday evening. Tests cannot be submitted after this time. Participation on Blackboard will be awarded points if you add a topic and/or respond to Discussion topics. Please respond with polite, intuitive and useful comments, students will earn a point for their participation grade.



Topical Course Outline

Week	Date	Topics	Homework
	Sep 4	Overview of Syllabus/Setting up Blackboard AccountsCH8: Interval Estimation	
1	Sep 5	CH8: Interval Estimation	On Blackboard. Due on Sunday Sep 9 23:59PM
	Sep 11	CH9: Hypothesis Tests	
2	Sep 12	CH10: Inference about Means and Proportions with Two Populations	On Blackboard. Due on Sunday Sep 16 23:59PM
	Sep 18	CH10: Inference about Means and Proportions with Two Populations	
3	Sep 19	CH10: Inference about Means and Proportions with Two Populations	On Blackboard. Due on Sunday Sep 23 23:59PM



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	Sep. 25	— (Mid-autumn Festival Holiday)	
4	Sep. 26	CH11: Inferences about Population Variance	On Blackboard. Due on Sunday Sep 30 23:59PM
5 Oct. 2		— (National Day Holiday)	
		— (National Day Holiday)	
	Oct. 9	CH12: Comparing Multiple Proportions, Test of Independence and Goodness of Fit	
6 Oct. 10	Oct. 10	CH12: Comparing Multiple Proportions, Test of Independence and Goodness of Fit	On Blackboard. Due on Sunday Oct 14 23:59PM
	Oct. 16	CH13: Experimental Design and Analysis of Variance	
7	Oct. 17	CH13: Experimental Design and Analysis of Variance	On Blackboard. Due on Sunday Oct 21 23:59PM
	Oct. 23	CH13: Experimental Design and Analysis of Variance	
8	Oct. 24	CH13: Experimental Design and Analysis of Variance	On Blackboard. Due on Sunday Oct 28 23:59PM
	Oct. 30	• Quiz 1	
9 Oct. 31		Quiz Review	Revise for Midterm
	Nov. 6	● Midterm Test	
10	Nov. 7	CH14: Simple Linear Regression	On Blackboard. Due on Sunday Nov 11 23:59PM
	Nov. 13	CH14: Simple Linear Regression	
11	Nov. 14	CH14: Simple Linear Regression	On Blackboard. Due on Sunday Nov 18 23:59PM
	Nov. 20	CH15: Multiple Linear Regression	
12	Nov. 21	CH15: Multiple Linear Regression	On Blackboard. Due on Sunday Nov 25 23:59PM
	Nov. 27	CH15: Multiple Linear Regression	
13	Nov. 28	CH15: Multiple Linear Regression	On Blackboard. Due on Sunday Dec 2 23:59PM
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	Dec. 4	CH16: Regression Analysis: Model Building	23.39FWI
14	Dec. 4	CH16: Regression Analysis: Model Building CH16: Regression Analysis: Model Building	On Blackboard.
			On Blackboard. Due on Sunday Dec 9



		Topic: Model building with regression		
Dec. 18		• Presentation (3-4 in a group)		
	Topic: Model building with regression			
16	Dec. 19	• Presentation I (3-4 in a group)		
Dec. 19	Topic: Model building with regression			
Dec. 25		• Quiz 2		
17	Dec. 26	• Quiz Review		
Jan. 1		New Year Holiday		
18	Jan. 2	— Exams begin		

Note: Some chapters or sections may leave for self-study, this is the students' duty to learn and understand, they may also be included in the auizzes or exams.

A review in Chinese may be held during L.C. and O.H. in the semester.

Teacher's Office Hour

- The instructor's office hour is shown in the front of the office door.
- Students are suggested to use the instructor's office hour and learning center to ask questions or talk with the instructor once at least per week for good communication and effective learning, which is recorded in the students' participation.
- The time can be scheduled by instructors or students, or both.

Cheating and Plagiarism

Cheating is not tolerated. Any student caught cheating on a quiz; test or exam will be given a mark of zero (0) for the particular work. At the beginning of the semester the definition of plagiarism will be carefully explained, when any thoughts or writings of another person are used, they must be clearly identified (usually one uses quotation marks) and the source notes. If any student is caught cheating on any homework assignment, the highest score the student can earn in that course is a "C".

Important Dates

Fall Semester, 2018	August 31, 2018— January 13, 2019
Aug. 31	Registration
Sep.3	Classes Begin
Sep.7 - 20	Freshmen's Military Training
Sep.24	Classes Begin (Freshmen)
Sep.24	Mid-Autumn Festival (tentative)
Oct.1 - 5	National Day Holiday (tentative)
Oct. 29 - Nov. 2	Mid-term Test
Jan.1, 2019	New Year's Day Holiday (tentative)
Jan.2-11	Final Exam Period
Jan.14	Winter Vacation Begins

Note: This syllabus is tentative and may be changed or modified throughout the semester. All students will be notified and a new syllabus will be given.

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