

# Syllabus of STAT 511 Spring 2023

**Basic information about the course**

* STAT 511 Statistical Methods, 3 credits
* Section 009, CRN 27942, MWF 1:30 pm – 2:20 pm, HAAS G066
* Course web page on Brightspace, <https://purdue.brightspace.com>, includes:
  + Lecture notes
  + WebAssign homework assignments
  + Worksheets and more
* Prerequisite: two semesters of college calculus

**Basic information about the instructor and TA**

* Instructor, Pratik Ramprasad, [prampras@purdue.edu](mailto:prampras@purdue.edu)
* TA, Jinyong Lee, [lee3488@purdue.edu](mailto:lee3488@purdue.edu)
* Office Hours (Usually online; in-person office hours by appointment):

Pratik Ramprasad: Tuesdays 9:30-10:30am; Zoom link: <https://purdue-edu.zoom.us/j/8079586893>

Jinyong Lee: Mondays 9:30-11:20am; Zoom link: <https://purdue-edu.zoom.us/j/3148477215>

**Course description**

Extensive coverage of statistical methods for students with a calculus background. The course contents include data exploration, elementary probability, random variables, sampling distributions, estimation and confidence intervals, hypothesis testing, ANOVA, and simple regression.

We do not require specific computer software for the course. Instead, students are expected to know how to do the analysis and calculation without using existing packages. Excel would be adequate but any other software will also be fine for homework assignments. No computer is available for exams. Calculators are allowed.

**Learning outcomes**

1. Have a good sense of data and know standard data analysis tools.
2. Understand the relationship between statistical methods and probability models.
3. Be able to conduct standard statistical analysis.
4. Be able to report and interpret statistical analysis outputs.

**How to succeed in this course**

* Closely follow the course schedule.
* Start the homework assignment early every week. Ask questions right away, whenever you encounter difficult content. Don’t wait.
* Spend time and effort reviewing lecture materials and doing assignments, e.g., homework and worksheets.

**Required Text**

Jay L. Devore, Probability and Statistics for Engineering and the Sciences, 9th edition + Enhanced WebAssign – The textbook is required to access homework assignments on WebAssign. The WebAssign plus an ebook costs about $90.

***Notes and other teaching materials are considered to be “derivative works” of the instructor's presentations and materials, and they are thus subject to the instructor's copyright in such presentations and materials. All notes and course materials cannot be posted, sold, or bartered without the instructor’s written permission.***

**Assignments and points**

1. Homework assignments, on WebAssign, every week.
2. Self-assessment worksheet every week. The worksheets will not be graded. Solutions will be provided after your submission. You only need to submit them by the deadline to receive credits.
3. One midterm, closed book, where one A4 page formula sheet is allowed:

**Thursday 03/02, 8-9:30pm, BRNG 2280**

1. Final exam, closed book, where one A4 page formula sheet is allowed.

**Grading Scale**

Your final grade will depend on the following components, with the usual scale

90-100 = A, 80-89 = B, 70-79 = C, 60-69 = D, 0-59 = F. +/- may be assigned to help round up grades depending on the class’s distribution, always in student’s grade’s favor.

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| Homework | 30% |
| Worksheet | 5% |
| Midterm exam | 30% |
| Final exam | 35% |

**Missed or Late Work**

* Homework on WebAssign will be assigned every week and is typically due on Monday night (11:59 pm). Late homework will not be accepted. Your lowest homework score will be dropped.
* The worksheet is typically due on Friday night. It serves as a self-assessment and will not be graded. Credits will be granted simply on the submission. Late submission will not be accepted.

**Academic integrity**

Academic integrity is one of the highest values that Purdue University holds. Individuals are encouraged to alert university officials to potential breaches of this value by either emailing [integrity@purdue.edu](mailto:integrity@purdue.edu) or by calling 765-494-8778.

**“*As a boilermaker pursuing academic excellence, I pledge to be honest and true in all that I do. Accountable together - we are Purdue.*”** Academic misconduct, such as cheating, plagiarism, and deceit in any of their diverse forms are unacceptable and will be reported to the Office of Student Rights and Responsibilities. Discussions on homework questions are allowed. But all assignments need to be completed independently. Moreover, knowingly to aid and abet, directly or indirectly, other parties in committing dishonest acts is in itself dishonest. Any violation of course policies as it relates to academic integrity will result minimally in a failing or zero grade for an assignment or even a failing grade for the course.

**Nondiscrimination statement**

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**Students with disabilities**

Purdue University strives to make learning experiences as accessible as possible. If you anticipate or experience physical or academic barriers based on disability, you are welcome to let me know so that we can discuss options. You are also encouraged to contact the Disability Resource Center at: **drc@purdue.edu** or by phone: 765-494-1247.

**Emergency preparation**

In the event of a major campus emergency, course requirements, deadlines and grading percentages are subject to changes that may be necessitated by a revised semester calendar or other circumstances beyond the instructor’s control. Relevant changes to this course will be posted onto the course website or can be obtained by contacting the instructor. You are expected to read your @purdue.edu email on a frequent basis.

**Mental Health Statement**

* If you find yourself beginning to feel some stress, anxiety and/or feeling slightly overwhelmed, try WellTrack, <https://purdue.welltrack.com/>.Sign in and find information and tools at your fingertips, available to you at any time.
* If you need support and information about options and resources, please see the Office of the Dean of Students, <http://www.purdue.edu/odos>, for drop-in hours (M-F, 8 am - 5 pm).
* If you’re struggling and need mental health services: Purdue University is committed to advancing the mental health and well-being of its students. If you or someone you know is feeling overwhelmed, depressed, and/or in need of mental health support, services are available. For help and to speak with a clinician, contact Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS) at (765)494-6995 or by going to CAPS’ office on the second floor of the Purdue University Student Health Center (PUSH). For urgent situations after hours, on weekends and holidays, call (765)494-6995 to speak with a clinician. Please see <http://www.purdue.edu/caps> for further information.

Any student who faces challenges securing their food or housing and believes this may affect their performance in the course is urged to contact the Dean of Students for support. There is no appointment needed and Student Support Services is available to serve students 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Considering the significant disruptions caused by the current global crisis as it related to COVID-19, students may submit requests for emergency assistance from the Critical Needs Fund