

## **A. ASSIGNMENT RECAP**

- Write a **1200-word report** analysis on macroeconomic indicators for a sample of countries to evaluate **economic conditions**, including calculating **summary statistics**, **confidence intervals**, and **hypothesis tests**.

### Suggested Structure:

#### **I. Question 1**

- A. Country group introduction (Suggested 100 words)**
- B. Data source Overview (Suggested 100 words)**
- C. Histograms Analysis (Suggested 150 words)**

#### **II. Question 2**

- A. 95% CI for HDI and Gini (Suggested 150 words)**
- B. Normality Assessment (Suggested 150 words)**
- C. Compare 95% vs 99% CIs (Suggested 150 words)**

#### **III. Question 3:**

- A. Describe HDI calculation (Suggested 100 words)**
- B. Hypothesis testing for HDI (Suggested 100 words)**
- C. Compare significance levels (Suggested 200 words)**

## **B. KEYWORD EXPLANATIONS**

### **1. Confidence interval**

An estimated range of values that is likely to contain the true population parameter, calculated from sample data at a specified confidence level.

### **2. Indifferent consumer**

In the Hotelling model, the consumer who is indifferent between purchasing from the two firms, is located at the point where they are equidistant.

### **3. Hypothesis testing**

The use of statistical analysis to determine whether a hypothesis about a population parameter can be rejected based on evidence from a sample, at a given significance level.

### **4. Normal distribution**

A symmetrical bell-shaped probability distribution is described by its mean and standard deviation, which many natural phenomena and sample means approximate.

### **5. Significance level**

The probability of rejecting the null hypothesis when it is true, reflects the maximum risk of making a Type I error the researcher is willing to accept.

### **6. Summary statistics**

Measures used to describe and summarize the essential information about key characteristics of a sample data set, such as the mean, median, and standard deviation.

### **7. Coefficient**

A numerical parameter estimate calculated from a sample that quantifies the relationship between variables in a statistical model.

### **8. Mean**

A measure of central tendency calculated as the sum of all values divided by the number of values in a sample or population distribution.

### **9. Standard Deviation**

**A measure of dispersion calculated as the square root of the variance, showing how spread out a distribution is from its mean.**

### **10. Null Hypothesis**

A statement of no statistical significance or effect that is tested and either supported or rejected based on evidence from a sample.

### **11. Alternative hypothesis**

A statement of statistical significance or effect that is positioned as the alternative to the null hypothesis and adopted if the null is rejected.