

# MATH 181: INTRODUCTION TO PROBABILITY

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## 1. Course Information

**Subject**

MATH - Mathematics

**Course Number**

181

**School**

Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics

**Course Title**

Introduction to Probability

## 2. Hours

**Semester Hours**

3

**Lecture**

3

## 3. Catalog Description

**For display in the online catalog**

This is a mathematics course for liberal arts students. Topics presented are selected from set theory, probability, binomial distributions, Markov chains, game theory, graphs and trees.

## 4. Requisites

**Prerequisites**

None

**Corequisites**

None

## 5. Course Type

**Course Fee Code**

1

**Course Type for Perkins Reporting**

non-vocational (not approved for Perkins funding)

## 6. Justification

**Describe the need for this course**

This course is designed to provide students with the mathematical knowledge needed to successfully integrate mathematics into their chosen area of study or career path.

## 7. General Education

**Will the college submit this course to the statewide General Education Coordinating Committee for approval as a course, which satisfies a general education requirement?**

Yes

**General Education Category**

Mathematics

**General Education Status**

Approved

## 8. Consistency with the Vision and Mission Statements, the Academic Master Plan, and the strategic initiatives of the College

Please describe how this course is consistent with Ocean County College's current Vision Statement, Mission Statement, Academic Master Plan, and the strategic initiatives of the College:

Add item	
1	This course helps to prepare students to become intentional learners who will be able to understand and employ quantitative analysis to solve problems, and demonstrate intellectual agility in mathematics.

## 9. Related Courses at Other Institutions

### Transferability of Course

#### Georgian Court University

Course Code, Title, and Credits	Transfer Category	If non-transferable; select status
MA106 Modern Math Concepts II, 3	Gen Ed	

#### Kean University

Course Code, Title, and Credits	Transfer Category	If non-transferable; select status
MATHX1006, Mathematics Free Elective, 3	Gen Ed	

#### Monmouth University

Course Code, Title, and Credits	Transfer Category	If non-transferable; select status
MA001 (100 Level Math Elective), 3	Mathematics Elective	

#### Rowan University

Course Code, Title, and Credits	Transfer Category	If non-transferable; select status
MATH0115 (Contemp Mathematics), 33	Gen Ed	

#### Stockton University

Course Code, Title, and Credits	Transfer Category	If non-transferable; select status
TRCREC (elective trans credit), 3	Gen Ed	

## 10. Course Learning Outcomes

### Learning Outcomes

Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:	
CLO1	This course helps to prepare students to become intentional learners who will be able to understand and employ quantitative analysis to solve problems, and demonstrate intellectual agility in mathematics.
CLO2	Use mathematical modeling for problem solving
CLO3	Use technology to explore probability distributions and compute probabilities
CLO4	Utilize mathematical concepts in set theory, probability, Bernoulli Trials and Markov Chains to solve problems

## 11. Topical Outline

(include as many themes/skills as needed)

	Major Themes/ Skills	Assignments (Recommended but not limited to)	Assessments (Recommended but not limited to)	Course Learning Outcome(s)
T01	Sets	Homework	Quiz/Exam	CLO4
T02	Counting techniques and their applications	Homework	Quiz/Exam	CLO1, CLO3
T03	Probability including conditional probability, Bayes' formula, binomial probability, random variables, and their applications	Homework	Quiz/Exam	CLO1, CLO2, CLO3, CLO4

T04	Bernoulli Trials	Homework	Quiz/Exam	CLO1, CLO2, CLO3, CLO4
T05	Venn Diagrams	Homework	Quiz/Exam	CLO1, CLO4
T06	Expected Value	Homework	Quiz/Exam	CLO1, CLO3, CLO4
T07	Operations with Matrices	Homework	Quiz/Exam	CLO3, CLO4
T08	Markov Chains	Homework	Quiz/Exam	CLO4
T09	Game Theory	Homework	Quiz/Exam	CLO1, CLO44
T010	Graphs and Trees	Homework	Quiz/Exam	CLO1, CLO2, CLO4

## 12. Methods of Instruction

In the structuring of this course, what major methods of instruction will be utilized?

- o Lecture
- o Class discussion
- o Group activities and explorations
- o Applications to current situations

## 13. General Education Goals Addressed by this Course (this section is to fulfill state requirements)

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**Quantitative Knowledge and Skills**

Yes

**Related Course Learning Outcome**

All

**Related Outline Component**

All

**Assessment of General Education Goal (Recommended but not limited to)**

Exams

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## 14. Needs

**Instructional Materials (text etc.):**

Appropriate textbook and online resources

**Technology Needs:**

Access to statistical tools for instruction

**Human Resource Needs (Presently Employed vs. New Faculty):**

Presently Employed

## 15. Grade Determinants

The final grade in the course will be the cumulative grade based on the following letter grades or their numerical equivalents for the course assignments and examinations

A: Excellent

B+: Very Good

B: Good

C+: Above Average

C: Average

D: Below Average

F: Failure

I: Incomplete

R: Audit

For more detailed information on the Ocean County College grading system, please see Policy #5154.

## 16. Board Approval

### History of Board approval dates

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