# Course Policies and Syllabus

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**Website:** https://ams007-spring16-02.courses.soe.ucsc.edu/ Note that the grades will be uploaded in *eCommons*. You can log into *eCommons* at the following url: https://ecommons.ucsc.edu/ portal using your Gold ID and password.

Lectures: Monday and Wednesday, 07:00-8:45 pm, Tim Lecture 003

**Required Text:** Biostatistics for the Biological and Health Sciences, M. M. Triola and M. F. Triola, Pearson (2006).

**Discussion Sections:** TAs will work through additional examples and answer questions. Sections are mandatory. All the quizzes and exams will be passed back in your enrolled section.

Section	Days	Time	Room
02A	Tu	06:00PM-07:10PM	Engineer 2 192
02B	Tu	07:30PM-08:40PM	Engineer 2 192
02C	$\operatorname{Th}$	08:30AM-09:40AM	Engineer 2 192
02D	$\mathbf{F}$	12:30PM-01:40PM	Engineer 2 192

## Teaching Assistants:

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Computer Labs: Enrollment in AMS 7L is a co-requisite. Material will be linked, but administratively 7L is a separate course and you will receive a separate grade for 7L. This lab in on-line. Please see the web page for your lab sections. All questions, especially administrative ones, about AMS 7L should be answered by Lab Instructors. The Lab instructors are: Annalisa Cadonna and Devin Framcom.

**Reading:** The material in this course may go quickly. It is expected that you will stay up to date in reading the relevant sections of the text. The tentative schedule is at the back and it will be also available online. The reading material for each class is listed there.

## Course Description

The main goal of this class is to introduce the basic ideas of probability and statistics with emphasis on applications to the life sciences and to everyday life. While we will learn how to do some calculations by hand, the primary goal is understanding of concepts, including the ability to interpret results. Topics are detailed in the schedule in page 3.

### Homework

Homework will be assigned every Wednesday, but will not be collected or graded. Answers to the odd numbered problems are in the back of the book. If you feel it would help, you are encouraged to work together on homework. But remember that you have to take the homework quizzes individually, so the point of the homework is to learn the material.

# **Grading Policy and Exams Information**

- Quizzes (30%): There will be four (4) quizzes based on the homework, as indicated on the schedule. They will be held on Mondays. Many questions will be selected homework problems with the numbers changed. The quizzes are closed book, but you should bring a calculator. You must show all work (where applicable) for full credit. Your lowest quiz score will be dropped when computing your quiz average, and this is meant to account for nearly all reasons you might have to miss class, including illness. There will be no make-up for quizzes, no exceptions.
- Midterm (30%): There will be one in-class midterm on May 02, The midterm will cover material from chapters 1-6. Be sure to bring a calculator. You must show all work for full credit.
- Final (35%): The final exam will be on Thursday, June 09 from 12:00 m to 3:00 pm, as designated by the registrar. Be sure to bring a calculator. The date of the final will not be changed. The final will be a comprehensive exam.
- Session Attendance: Attendance to sessions will be 5% of your final grade. This will be based on your attendance record.
- Additional information about quizzes and exams: You will need a calculator for all the exams and quizzes. It is important that the calculator has a square root key and logarithms, in addition to the usual arithmetic operations. All the exams and quizzes are closed book.
  Only for the midterm and the final (not for the quizzes) you may bring one single 8½ in by 11in piece of paper with notes on both sides. This piece of paper should have your name and will be collected with your exam. You are not allowed to include solutions to any of the homework problems in this piece of paper. You must show all your work (when applicable) in the quizzes and exams to get full credit.

**Exam Accomodation:** If you need DRC accomodation, or cannot make it to class on an exam day for a pre-approved reason such as an official UCSC sports team event, please make arrangements within the first two weeks of class. Please come to speak with me after class or during office hours or send me an email.

Date	Book Sections	Topics	
March 28	1.1-1.3	Intro to the course. Why study statistics?	
		Data types, experiments	
30	2.1-2.4	Looking at data	
		Measures of central tendency	
April 04	2.5-2.7	Measures of dispersion	
	3.1-3.2	Definition of Probability	
06	3.3-3.7	Addition and Multiplication rules, Risks and Odds	
April 11		QUIZ 1	
	4.1-4.5	Discrete distributions – Binomial and Poisson	
13	5.1-5.4	Normal distribution, Sampling distributions	
	5.5	Central limit theorem	
April 18	5.6-5.7	Normal approximation to Binomial	
20	6.1-6.2	Confidence intervals for proportions	
April 25		QUIZ 2	
27	6.3-6.4	Confidence intervals for means. Review	
May 02		MIDTERM EXAM	
04	7.1-7.2	Hypothesis Testing	
	7.3-7.5	Testing claim for Proportions and Means	
May 09	8.1-8.2	Two-sample hypothesis tests	
	8.3-8.4	Comparing proportions and means	
11	9.1-9.2	Correlation and regression	
	9.3-9.4	More on regression	
May 16		QUIZ 3	
	9.5	Multiple regression	
18	10.1-10.3	Chi-square tests	
May 23	11.1-11.2	Analysis of Variance	
25		QUIZ 4	
Mayo 30		HOLIDAY	
June 01		Review	
June 09		FINAL EXAM	

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