

Advanced Probability and Inference I
Statistics 6346
Fall 2017

Lecture: Monday, Wednesday, 9:30 – 10:45, HCB 207

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Text: There is no required text for this course. Some fine reference books include

Probability and Measure, Billingsley, 1995.
A User's Guide to Measure Theoretic Probability, Pollard, 2002.

Goal of Course: Students will be able to use measure theoretic methods to derive and explain probabilistic identities, inequalities and theorems.

Course topics: The material covered may include, but is not limited to,

- Measure spaces
- Measurable functions
- Expectation, conditional expectation
- Product spaces
- Independence
- Convergence, sums, limit theorems
- Characteristic functions
- Martingales

Exams: There will be four equally weighted exams. The exams are approximately four weeks apart. The tentative dates for in-class exams are September 27, October 14, and November 15. The final exam is Thursday, December 14, 3:00 – 5:00.

Homework: There will be regular homework assignments. Homework will not be collected. These assignments will reinforce lecture and prepare you for the exams.

Course Website: <http://campus.fsu.edu>

Grades: Your course grade is based on the exams. Final grades are assigned based on your performance on these exams. Your grades are maintained on Blackboard. There will be no extra work available to enhance your grade, so put in the appropriate effort on the assigned homework.

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- (1) register with and provide documentation to the Student Disability Resource Center; and
- (2) bring a letter to the instructor indicating the need for accommodation and what type.

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This syllabus and other class materials are available in alternative format upon request.

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108 Student Services Building
Florida State University
Tallahassee, FL 32306-4167
(850) 644-9566 (voice)
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sdrc@admin.fsu.edu
<http://www.disabilitycenter.fsu.edu/>

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