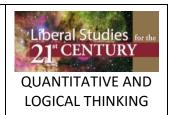


DEPARTMENT OF STATISTICS STA 2023 Sections 1-13 FALL 2020 FUNDAMENTAL BUSINESS STATISTICS 3 credit hours



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Office Hours: on Zoom, by appointment.

Please email me to set up a meeting.

This class will be taught **remotely** and **asynchronously** on Canvas (<u>canvas.fsu.edu</u>) from Aug 24th to Dec 11th.

We will not be using Honorlock.

Please be aware that all Teaching Assistants (TAs) who have been assigned to work with the instructor will have access to your grades and academic accommodations information.

SYLLABUS CHANGE POLICY

Except for changes that substantially affect implementation of the evaluation (grading) statement, this syllabus is a guide for the course and is subject to change with advance notice.

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Prerequisite: None, but we recommend two years of high school algebra.

Special Note: High school students who earn a "3" or better on the AP Statistics exam will be given credit for STA 2023.

The course covers statistical applications in business, involving graphical and numerical descriptions of data, data collection, correlation and simple linear regression, elementary probability, random variables, Binomial and Normal distributions, sampling distributions, and confidence intervals and hypothesis tests for a single sample.

The purpose of this course is to prepare students for further study and job preparation in the field of Business. It will emphasize understanding of data and interpretation of statistical analyses. It will require students to think of data, and report the results of their analyses, in context.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

This course has been approved to meet FSU's **Liberal Studies Quantitative and Logical Thinking** requirements and is designed to help you become a critical analyst of quantitative and logical claims. In order to fulfill the State of Florida's College mathematics and computation requirement the student must earn a "C-" or better in the course.

By the end of the course, students will:

- (1) Select and apply appropriate methods (i.e., mathematical, statistical, logical, and/or computational models or principles) to solve real-world problems.
- (2) Use a variety of forms to represent problems and their solutions.

The above two competencies will be assessed in the Liberal Studies Quantitative Assessment for STA 2023, which includes a written summary of results.

- (3) Use descriptive statistics and graphical methods to summarize data accurately.
- (4) Use inferential statistics to make valid judgments based on the data available.
- (5) Describe the goals of various statistical methodologies conceptually.

- (6) Apply statistical techniques in the context of business processes, everyday life, and further studies in their discipline.
- (7) Develop a healthy skepticism toward statistical studies and their results based on a sensible consideration of the techniques employed.

REQUIRED MATERIALS

- A personal computer, reliable internet connection, and Chrome or Firefox browser.
- A TI-84 Plus or equivalent calculator. We will teach you how to use a TI-84 series calculator, but we cannot promise to be able to help with any other type of calculator.
- A textbook is not required for this class. Instead, you will need to watch lecture videos and study the notes used in the videos.

LECTURE VIDEOS

Watching the lecture videos is equivalent to attending class and listening to lectures. We acknowledge that the lecture videos are not short, but remember that class time would have been 50 or 75 mins - not short either. On the bright side, however, you may pause the video at any time and return to it later - you would not have been able to do that with live lectures. Therefore, we fully expect you to watch the lecture videos in their entirety. Pause whenever you need to, but always be sure to return and finish watching the video.

Please note that the recorded lectures are the property of Florida State University and are made available only to the students enrolled in this class. Students are not permitted to share the recorded lectures with any other persons outside of this class. Copyrights of the recorded lectures are reserved by the instructor and Florida State University.

OPTIONAL MATERIALS

- + Paper, writing materials, and access to a printer.
- OR + Tablet, so that you can make handwritten notes on a pdf document.

Ideally, it would aid your learning if you are able to fill in the blank notes yourself (on paper or on tablet) as you watch the lecture videos. But if you are unable to, you will still be able to do well in the class. I will post the filled-in notes that I use in the videos, so you will be able to review them after you watch the lecture videos.

EMAIL & COMMUNICATION

- ~ Please turn on the course notifications on Canvas by going to Account / Notifications / and checking the *Notify me right away* option for all of the items under Course Activities.
- ~ We will communicate with you by sending emails to your ommy.fsu.edu account and posting announcements on the course website. Please check your FSU email and the Canvas announcements every day.
- ~ If you email us, please send from your @my.fsu.edu account.
- ~ Please send assessment-related enquiries least 24 hours before the assessment is due.
- ~ Always include your name and your TA's name when you email us. If we need to know this information in order to answer your query and you have not provided it, you may not get a response.
- \sim You may expect a response to your email within two work days. But if you email us with an enquiry that was previously addressed in the syllabus, in a class email or in a course announcement, you may not get a response.

ASSESSMENT AND GRADING

We will allow absolutely no make-ups, no extra credit assignments, and in general, no opportunities for grade improvement, after the Last Day of Class, so please do your best during the term. Assessments that are not submitted will receive a grade of zero. When a makeup is submitted, the zero will be replaced with the earned grade. During assessments you are permitted to use any and all materials obtained from the course Canvas, including lecture videos, calculator videos, notes, exercises, etc.

Note on Technology-dependent Assessments

This course is heavily technology-dependent. While we will do our best to work with you on technology issues, please be aware that if you take an assessment but we can find absolutely no record of the fact, then we will not be able to give you credit for it. Please DO NOT USE SAFARI when you take assessments on Canvas – please use Chrome or Firefox.

Your overall course grade will consist of the following:

Assessment	Weight				
Open Quizzes (OQ), collaboration allowed, unlimited attempts each, lowest two dropped	25%				
Liberal Studies Quantitative Assessment (LSQA), collaboration and internet sources					
(except the course Canvas) not permitted, timed, 2 attempts, cannot be dropped					
Timed Quizzes (TQ), collaboration and internet sources (except the course Canvas) not					
permitted, 2 attempts each, lowest two dropped					
Total	100%				

Due dates are provided on Canvas.

Overall Course Grade

Please ignore the grade totals or averages that you may see on the course website; they are not correct. In this class, we only store and display individual assessment grades on the course website, we do not do grade calculations there. All grades will be recorded as percentages, and these percentages (not points) will be used in your overall course grade calculation. Your letter grade will be selected from the table below after rounding the overall numerical course grade UP to the next higher whole number.

Numerical	Letter	Numerical	Letter	Numerical	Letter	Numerical	Letter	Numerical	Letter
≤59	F	67–69	D+	77–79	C+	87–89	B+	FSU does not	
								award A+	
		63–66	D	73–76	С	83–86	В	≥93	Α
		60–62	D-	70–72	C-	80–82	B-	90–92	A-

Receiving a grade of "Incomplete"

A request for a grade of "Incomplete" will

- ~ NOT be granted if you have completed the coursework, including the final quiz and excluding the allowable absences.
- ~ be granted only if <u>both</u> of the following conditions are satisfied:
 - (1) the only assessment that you have yet to take is the final quiz, and
 - (2) your overall average excluding the final quiz is a passing grade (70% or above).

Grade Review

If you believe that a correct answer was counted as incorrect on a quiz, please email Radha about it within 24 hours after you submit the quiz. If it turns out that your answer was correct, you will be given credit for it.

How to complete this class successfully

For each topic:

- ~ watch the relevant lecture video(s),
- ~ if you are able to, fill in the blank notes (on paper or on tablet) as you watch the video(s),
- ~ study thoroughly the information and examples in the filled-in class notes be aware that the notes are incomplete without the filled-in examples,
- ~ attempt the relevant Open Quiz,
- ~ do all of the try-on-your-own exercises in the notes,
- ~ do all of the extra/investigative exercises posted with the notes,
- ~ study the solutions even if you get the answers right because the solutions can provide insights to the problems,
- ~ make sure you know how to use your calculator appropriately,
- ~ go back and finish up the relevant Open Quiz, then
- ~ take the relevant Timed Quiz.

Remember that you can email us or come to office hours if you need help.

ACADEMIC HONOR POLICY

The Florida State University Academic Honor Policy outlines the University's expectations for the integrity of students' academic work, the procedures for resolving alleged violations of those expectations, and the rights and responsibilities of students and faculty members throughout the process. Students are responsible for reading the Academic Honor Policy and for living up to their pledge to "...be honest and truthful and...[to] strive for personal and institutional integrity at Florida State University." (Florida State University Academic Honor Policy, found at http://fda.fsu.edu/Academics/Academic-Honor-Policy).

ATTENDANCE, ABSENCE AND DROP/WITHDRAWAL

- ~ Drop and Withdrawal deadlines are given in the University's academic calendar at https://registrar.fsu.edu/calendar/.
- ~ First-day attendance will be taken electronically on the course website.
- ~ You are expected to adhere to all assessment deadlines.
- ~ Lack of future planning, or mismanagement of time and other resources, are not acceptable reasons for missing assessment deadlines.
- ~ Bear in mind that the opportunities presented in this class are made equally available to all students in the class and it is up to each individual to make the most of these opportunities.
- ~ In the interests of fairness, we will not do for one student what we cannot do for all students who are likely to request the same.
- ~ Documentation for missing assessment deadlines will not be accepted after the Last Day of Class.

University Attendance Policy:

Excused absences include documented illness, deaths in the family and other documented crises, call to active military duty or jury duty, religious holy days, and official University activities. These absences will be accommodated in a way that does not arbitrarily penalize students who have a valid excuse. Consideration will also be given to students whose dependent children experience serious illness.

FINAL EXAM RESCHEDULING POLICY

You may not take the final exam before final exams week. Individual students who need to reschedule the final exam for a different time during final exams week will need to

- (i) talk to me about it first and get my permission to reschedule,
- (ii) fill out the "Request to Reschedule Final Examination" form at https://artsandsciences.fsu.edu/students/undergraduate/forms-requiring-deans-approval/rescheduling-final-examination and get it approved by the Dean of Arts and Sciences office, and
 - (iii) let me have the approved form by the last day of classes.

If you experience a documented emergency that prevents you from observing the above deadline, contact me as soon as you are able to, and we'll take it from there.

SEXUAL MISCONDUCT AND TITLE IX REPORTING

As an instructor, I am obliged to report all instances of sexual misconduct that I become aware of to the University's Title IX Director; I cannot hold such information confidential. If you would like to discuss your situation in confidence, you may contact the Victim Advocate Program (https://dos.fsu.edu/vap/), the University Counseling Center (https://counseling.fsu.edu/), the Employee Assistance Program (https://eap.fsu.edu/), University Health Services (https://eap.fsu.edu/), or pastoral counselors.

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT

Students with disabilities needing academic accommodation should:

- (1) register with and provide documentation to the Office of Accessibility Services; and
- (2) request a letter from the Office of Accessibility Services to be sent to the instructor indicating the need for accommodation and what type; and
- (3) meet (in person, via phone, email, skype, zoom, etc...) with each instructor to whom a letter of accommodation was sent to review approved accommodations.

This syllabus and other class materials are available in alternative format upon request. For the latest version of this statement and more information about services available to FSU students with disabilities, contact the: Office of Accessibility Services, 874 Traditions Way, 108 Student Services Building, Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL 32306-4167.

(850) 644-9566 (voice), (850) 644-8504 (TDD), <u>oas@fsu.edu</u>, <u>https://dsst.fsu.edu/oas/</u>

Please note that instructors are not allowed to provide academic accommodations to a student until they receive the letter mentioned in item (2) above. Academic accommodations will be provided as soon as possible after the letter is received. Academic accommodations are not retroactive, so they will not apply to lectures/lessons and assessments that took place before the letter was received.