

**STAT 249, Sec. A**  
Probability I  
Fall 2021

**This section of the course will be in-person, but assignments, midterm and final exam, will be online.**

**Preface:** The lectures for this section will be taught in person, but all assessments will be done completely ONLINE.

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**Lectures:** Lectures will be in-person in room LS-205 (SGW). Attempt will be made to record them via lecture-capture and upload them to the Moodle site for this course. However, when recording is not possible students will have to take notes from chalkboard. All available lecture notes will be posted on Moodle.

**Office Hours:** TBA, questions by email anytime; **please send email from your email account, not from Moodle.**

**Text:** *Mathematical Statistics with Applications*, 7th Edition, by D. D. Wackerly, W. Mendenhall III and R. L. Scheaffer, Duxbury Press, 2008.  
The digital version of the textbook will be available at:  
<https://www.co-opbookstore.ca/service/textbooks/>  
The print version of the textbook will be available at:  
<https://www.bkstr.com/concordiastore/home>

**Supplement Text:** *Introduction to Probability & Statistics for Engineers and Scientists*, by Sheldon M. Ross, Academic Press.

**Calculators:** Only calculators approved by the Department such as **Sharp EL 531** or the **Casio FX 300MS** are permitted for the class test and final examination. For a list of Approved and Not-Approved calculators see: <http://www.concordia.ca/artsci/math-stats/services.html#calculators>.

**Assignments:** Assignments and their due dates will be provided via Moodle; students are required to submit each assignments as a single pdf file on Moodle. **Late assignments will not be accepted.**

**Test:** There will be one **timed duration** term exam given ONLINE. Mid-term test via Moodle will be given during lecture time in the **7th or 8th week** (to be

specified by the instructor). The exam will be a closed book (provided aids only).

**NOTE:** It is the Department's policy that tests missed for any reason, **including illness**, cannot be made up. If you miss the midterm test **because of illness** (*please consult recent university policy on accommodations for missed work*) the final exam will count for 90% of your final grade, and the assignments will count for the remaining 10%. This accommodation is to be used only in case of emergencies.

**Final Exam:** **ONLINE timed duration** final exam via Moodle will be given during the period assigned by Concordia's Exams Office. The exam will be a closed book (provided aids only) exam. (see Moodle page for Concordia Online Exam rules).

**NOTE:** Students are responsible for finding out the date and time of the final exams once the schedule is posted by the Examinations Office. Conflicts or problems with the scheduling of the final exam must be reported directly to **the Examinations Office, not to your instructor**. It is the Department's policy and the Examinations Office's policy that **students are to be available until the end of the final exam period**. Conflicts due to travel plans will not be accommodated.

**Final Grade:** The final grade will be based on the following components:

<b>Assignments</b>	<b>10%</b>
<b>Mid-term Test</b>	<b>30%</b>
<b>Final Exam</b>	<b>60%</b>

If the grading scheme for this course includes graded assignments, a reasonable and representative subset of each assignment may be graded. Students will not be told in advance which subset of the assigned problems will be marked and should therefore attempt all assigned problems.

- Expectations:**
- (1) Please note that there is no "100% Final Exam" option in this course.**
  - (2) Mid-term test missed for any reason, cannot be made up. If you miss a mid-term test because of illness (in compliance with university accommodation policy), the final exam will be used as its replacement in your final grade.**
  - (3) In order to obtain a good grade, the student MUST show that they have a THOROUGH understanding of the subject and can fully explain their reasoning process in the context of problem solutions.**
  - (4) The final exam will cover all the material taught within the entire term.**

Week	Sections of the Text	Topics
1	Section: 2.3, 2.4, 2.5	Set Notation, Discrete Probability Model, Computing Probability (Sample Point Method)
2	Section: 2.6, 2.7	Counting Methods, Conditional Probability, Independence of Events
3	Section: 2.8, 2.9, 2.10	Laws of Probability, Computing Probability (Event Composition Method), The Total Law of Probability and Bayes Rule
4	Section: 2.11, 3.1, 3.2	Numerical Events and Random Variables, Discrete Random Variable, Probability Distribution of a Discrete Random Variable
5	Section: 3.3, 3.4	Expected Value of a Random Variable or a Function of a Random Variable, Binomial Probability Distribution
6	Section: 3.5, 3.6	The Geometric Probability Distribution, The Negative Binomial Probability Distribution
7	Section: 3.7, 3.8, 3.9	The Hypergeometric Probability Distribution, The Poisson Probability Distribution, Moments and Moment-Generating Functions
8	Section: 3.10, 3.11, 4.2	Probability-Generating Functions, Tchebysheff's Theorem, The Probability Distribution for a Continuous Random Variable
9	Section: 4.3, 4.4	Expected Values for Continuous Random Variables, The Uniform Probability Distribution
10	Section: 4.5, 4.6	The Normal and The Gamma Probability Distribution
11	Section: 4.7, 4.9, 4.10	The Beta Probability Distribution, Other Expected Values, Tchebysheff's Theorem
12	Section: 4.11, 5.2, 5.3	Expectations of Discontinuous Functions and Mixed Probability Distributions, Bivariate and Multivariate Probability Distributions, Marginal and Conditional Probability Distributions
13	Section: 5.4, 5.5 <b>Review</b>	Independent Random Variables, The Expected Value of a Function of Random Variables

### **Academic Integrity and the Academic Code of Conduct**

This course is governed by Concordia University's policies on Academic Integrity and the Academic Code of Conduct as set forth in the Undergraduate Calendar and the Graduate Calendar. Students are expected to familiarize themselves with these policies and conduct themselves accordingly. "Concordia University has several resources available to students to better understand and uphold academic integrity. Concordia's website on academic integrity can be found at the following address, which also includes links to each Faculty and the School of Graduate Studies: [concordia.ca/students/academic-integrity](https://concordia.ca/students/academic-integrity)." [*Undergraduate Calendar, Sec 17.10.2*]

### **Behaviour**

All individuals participating in courses are expected to be professional and constructive throughout the course, including in their communications.

Concordia students are subject to the [Code of Rights and Responsibilities](#) which applies both when students are physically and virtually engaged in any University activity, including classes, seminars, meetings, etc. Students engaged in University activities must respect this Code when engaging with any members of the Concordia community, including faculty, staff, and students, whether such interactions are verbal or in writing, face-to-face or online/virtual. Failing to comply with the Code may result in charges and sanctions, as outlined in the Code.

### **Use of Zoom**

**Note: Zoom is included as an institutionally-approved technology. This means we have been assured of the privacy protections needed to use freely within the classroom)**

Zoom may be used in this course to facilitate learning at a distance. It may be used to record some or all of the lectures and/or other activities in this course. If you wish to ensure that your image is not recorded, speak to your instructor as soon as possible.

Also, please note that you may not share recordings of your classes and that the instructor will only share class recordings for the purpose of course delivery and development. Any other sharing may be in violation of the law and applicable University policies, and may be subject to penalties.

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### **Extraordinary circumstances**

In the event of extraordinary circumstances and pursuant to the [Academic Regulations](#) the University may modify the delivery, content, structure, forum, location and/or evaluation scheme. In the event of such extraordinary circumstances, students will be informed of the change.