

STAT 450 (MAST 672/881), Sec. C
Mathematical Statistics
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This course will be in-person, except for assignments, which will be online via Moodle.

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Delivery Method: Lectures will be in-person at H-564 (SGW). Every attempt will be made to record them via lecture-capture or Zoom 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: Thursdays 14:00-15:30, subject to change; questions by email anytime; **please send email from your email account, not from Moodle.**

Prerequisite: STAT 250; STAT 349 previously or concurrently.

Description: Derivation of standard sampling distributions; distribution of order-statistics; estimation, properties of estimators; Rao-Cramer inequality, Rao-Blackwell theorem, maximum likelihood and method of moments estimation, Neyman-Pearson theory, likelihood ratio tests and their properties.

Text: *Introduction to Mathematical Statistics*, 8th Edition, by R.V. Hogg, J.W. McKean and A.T. Craig, Pearson, 2019. (However, 6th or 7th Editions are also ok.).

The digital version of the textbook will be available at:
<https://www.bkstr.com/concordiastore/home>

Note: Students should order textbooks as early as possible, especially for print versions in case books are backordered or there are any shipping delays.

Reference: (for problems, examples etc) *Statistical Inference* (2nd Edition), by G. Casella and R. L. Berger, Duxbury.

Final Grade: The final grade will be based on the higher of (a) or (b):

- a) Assignments (*about 4*) 10%, midterm exam (**FRI., 21 OCT. 2022, in class**) 20% and final exam 70%.
- b) Final exam 100%.

Assignments will be online and posted on Moodle; once posted, assignments will be due in 2 weeks (tentative). **Midterm** and **Final exam** will be in person (Final according to schedule posted by the University).

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.

Note: - All assignments should be done **independently**.
- MAST 672/881 students will be given additional assignment/exam problems.

Topics:

1. Distribution of functions of several random variables (distribution function and change of variable techniques), sampling distribution of mean and variance of a sample from Normal (μ, σ^2) distribution: *Sec. 2.2, 2.7*.
2. Distribution of order statistics and sample quantiles: [**6th Edition:** *Sec. 5.2.1- 2*, **7th Edition:** *Sec. 4.4.1-2*].
3. Estimation: unbiasedness, Cramér-Rao lower bound and efficiency, method of moments and maximum likelihood estimation, consistency, limiting distributions [**6th Edition:** *Sec. 4.1, 6.1, 4.2, 4.3 – 4, 6.4*, **7th Edition:** *Sec. 4.1, 6.1, 5.1 – 5.3, 6.2, 6.6*].
4. Sufficiency, minimal sufficiency, completeness, UMVUE, Rao-Blackwell and Lehman-Scheffe theorems: *Sec. 7.2 - 7.8*.
5. Hypothesis testing [**6th Edition:** *Sec. 5.5, 6.3 6.5*, **7th Edition:** *Sec. 4.5, 6.3, 6.5*].
6. (*time permitting*) Bayesian inference [**6th Edition:** *Sec. 11.2.1 – 2*, **7th Edition:** *Sec. 11.2.1 - 4*].

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