STAT 145: INTRODUCTION TO PROBABILITY AND STATISTICS
Section 501 (M/W 9:00 - 11:45), CRN 14807
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GENERAL INFORMATION
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COURSE DESCRIPTION:
Techniques for the visual presentation of numerical data, descriptive statistics, introduction to probability and basic probability models used in statistics, introduction to sampling and statistical inference, illustrated by examples from a variety of fields. Meets New Mexico Lower-Division General Education Common Core Curriculum Area II: Mathematics (NMCCN 1113). Prerequisite: ACT=>22 or SAT =>510 or COMPASS Algebra >54 or COMPASS College Algebra >33 or (MATH 101 and MATH 102) or (MATH 118 and MATH 119) or MATH 120 or MATH 121 or MATH 123 or MATH 150 or MATH 162 or MATH 163 or MATH 180 or MATH 181 or MATH 264.

COURSE STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES:

1. Descriptive Statistics, Data Production and Inference: Students will learn basic vocabulary, logic, and procedures for data exploration, data production, and statistical inference. (Addresses UNM/ HED Area II: Mathematics Other College-Level Competency 1)
2. Data Exploration: Students will understand principles of data exploration and differentiate between quantitative and categorical variables. Students will illustrate by way of graphs and the use of tables how to interpret data. They will identify the underlying principles and measures used to analyze this data. (Addresses UNM /HED Area II: Mathematics Other College-Level Competencies 1 & 2)
3. Procedures for data production: Students will demonstrate that they can use tables of random numbers to perform simple random sampling to obtain samples from populations. They will show that they can distinguish differences between observational studies and experiments. Students will demonstrate techniques for the design of a controlled experiment. (Addresses UNM /HED Area II: Mathematics Other College-Level Competencies 2 & 3)
4. Probability theory: Students will be able to use the basic rules for probability to solve problems, working with simple models, both discrete and continuous. Students will demonstrate an understanding of probabilities related to random variables. (Addresses UNM /HED Area II: Mathematics Other College-Level Competencies 1, 2, 3)
5. Sampling Distributions: Students will be able to recognize and apply the terms population, sample, parameter and statistics as they pertain to sampling distributions. They will apply the concept of the Law of Large Numbers and Central Limit Theorem. They will demonstrate the ability to obtain the sampling distribution of sample means and spread of a population. (Addresses UNM /HED Area II: Mathematics Other College-Level Competencies 1, 2, 3)
6. Making Inferences: Students will demonstrate an understanding for the procedures involved in making inferences about quantitative populations. (Addresses UNM /HED Area II: Mathematics Other College-Level Competencies 1, 2, 3)
7. Tests for Independence of two categorical variables: Students will be able to interpret 2-way tables, stating hypothesis, calculating expected counts and using Chi Square distribution to test for independence. (Addresses UNM /HED Area II: Mathematics Other College-Level Competencies 1, 2, 3)
COURSE REQUIREMENTS:

A. **Instructional Methods:** Group work, demonstrated problem solving, projects, discussion, review, lecture and scheduled testing may be employed.

B. **Evaluation of Students:** Evaluation may be based on homework quizzes, projects, group work, exams, and a final exam. Missed quizzes and projects cannot be made up; although one quiz/project grade will be dropped before final grades are computed.

C. **Attendance:** Students enrolled for credit or audit are expected to attend all class sessions. Students with excessive absences (4) may be dropped from the class.


II. **EXPECTATIONS:** Students are expected to conduct themselves in a professional and collegial manner. Please refrain from using cell phones during class unless approved in advance by instructor.

III. **DISABILITY STATEMENT:** If you have a documented disability, please provide me with a copy of your letter from Equal Access Services as soon as possible to ensure that accommodations are provided in a timely manner.

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**COURSE GRADING:**
- Final Exam: 30%
- Midterm Exam: 20%
- MyStatsLab: 25%
- In-class work: 10%
- Quizzes: 10%
- Attendance: 5%