

**DEPARTMENT SCIENCE**  
**COURSE OUTLINE – Winter 2023**

**ST1510 (A3): Introduction to Applied Statistics I – 3 (3-0-2) 75 Hours for 15 weeks**

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We acknowledge the history of this land and we are thankful for the opportunity to walk together in friendship, where we will encourage and promote positive change for present and future generations.

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<b>OFFICE HOURS:</b>	MTRF 10:00 -11:00		

**CALENDAR DESCRIPTION:**

The course includes data collection and presentation, descriptive statistics. Probability distributions, sampling distributions, and the central limit theorem; point estimation and hypothesis testing; correlation and regression analysis; goodness of fit and contingency table.

**PREREQUISITE(S)/COREQUISITE:** Prerequisites: Mathematics 30-1 or equivalent or Mathematics 30-2 or equivalent

**REQUIRED TEXT/RESOURCE MATERIALS:**

Open (free) textbook at [www.lyryx.com](http://www.lyryx.com): Introductory Statistics, Current Edition (by Illowsky, Dean, openstax) ([Click here](#) to go to download page!)

**DELIVERY MODE(S):**

<b>Lecture:</b>	<b>A3</b>	<b>M W</b>	<b>08:30 – 09:50</b>	<b>J202</b>
<b>Lab:</b>	<b>AL1</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>14:30 – 16:20</b>	<b>A312</b>
	<b>AL2</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>14:30 – 16:20</b>	<b>A312</b>

## COURSE OBJECTIVES:

This course provides an introduction to statistical methods and their applications. The main topics are: obtaining and summarizing data with graphs and numeric measures; probability theory; and statistical inference (drawing conclusions from sample data by carrying out a hypothesis test). This course also comes with a lab component; students will use EXCEL as a tool to further help their understanding in statistical analysis.

## LEARNING OUTCOMES:

To demonstrate the basic knowledge of descriptive statistics and its use. To perform elementary analysis of research data and to interpret the results of statistical tests. To demonstrate a conceptual knowledge of the concepts and principles involved. To select the appropriate statistical test. To be able to enter and analyze data using the computer program EXCEL.

## TRANSFERABILITY:

Please consult the Alberta Transfer Guide for more information. You may check to ensure the transferability of this course at the Alberta Transfer Guide main page <http://www.transferalberta.ca>.

**\*\* Grade of D or D+ may not be acceptable for transfer to other post-secondary institutions. Students are cautioned that it is their responsibility to contact the receiving institutions to ensure transferability**

## EVALUATIONS:

Assignments	10%
Lab Reports	10%
Midterms	2 × 20% (Tentatively Wed Feb 15, Mon Mar 27)
Lab Exam	10% (AL1 T Apr 11; AL2 Mon Apr 10)
Final Exam	30% (Cumulative, during exam period Fri Apr 14—Mon Apr 24)

**It is the student's responsibility to be available to write the final exam at the scheduled time. Writing early is not permitted.**

## GRADING CRITERIA:

Please note that most universities will not accept your course for transfer credit **IF** your grade is **less than C-**.

Alpha Grade	4-point Equivalent	Percentage Guidelines	Alpha Grade	4-point Equivalent	Percentage Guidelines
A+	4.0	90-100	C+	2.3	67-69
A	4.0	85-89	C	2.0	63-66
A-	3.7	80-84	C-	1.7	60-62
B+	3.3	77-79	D+	1.3	55-59
B	3.0	73-76	D	1.0	50-54
B-	2.7	70-72	F	0.0	00-49

## **COURSE SCHEDULE/TENTATIVE TIMELINE:**

Chapters 1,2	Sampling, Experiments, Graphs, Measures of Central Tendency and Spread
Chapters 3-7	Probability, Probability Distributions, Binominal, Normal, Sampling Distributions of $\bar{x}$ and $\hat{p}$ , Central Limit Theorem
Chapter 8	Confidence Intervals
Chapter 9-11	Hypothesis Tests about the Mean, Proportion, Two Populations, Chi-square
Chapter 12	Linear Regression, Correlation, Inference about $B$
Chapter 13	ANOVA

## **STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES:**

Students are responsible for all lecture material, labs and readings. Students are expected to practice the material by doing problems from the textbook and/or exercises posted on myClass. Assignments are not accepted if handed in late. If a midterm is missed due to illness the weight will be put on the next midterm or the final. If the final is missed due to illness it will be deferred (see calendar for information). A doctor's note and a phone message or email will be required in both cases.

## **STATEMENT ON PLAGIARISM AND CHEATING:**

Cheating and plagiarism will not be tolerated and there will be penalties. For a more precise definition of plagiarism and its consequences, refer to the Student Conduct section of the Northwestern Polytechnic Calendar at <https://www.nwpolytech.ca/programs/calendar/> or the Student Rights and Responsibilities policy which can be found at <https://www.nwpolytech.ca/about/administration/policies/index.html>.

\*\*Note: all Academic and Administrative policies are available on the same page.