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**Department of Economics**  
**Semester:** Fall 2020  
**Classes:** [ECON-2140-R08/R10, Stats I](#)  
**Time:** T.F; 2:30-3:45pm  
**Location:** Online

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**COVID 19:** *We will be conducting this course 100% online due to current public health circumstances. I will be here for you to the best of my ability. If you have any issues, concerns, or suggestions, please feel free to reach out to me. I understand that these are extraordinary times. Please don't hesitate to let me know if you are struggling with the course material or if you face challenges that make your learning conditions unfavorable.*

**Course Description:** This course is an introduction to basic statistics and its applications in business and economics. We cover topics ranging from descriptive statistics, to probability theory, discrete and continuous probability distributions, sampling methods, sampling distributions, confidence interval estimation, and hypothesis testing.

**Textbook:** Introduction to Business Statistics, Ronald M. Weiers, 7<sup>th</sup> edition. ISBN 978-0-538-45219-9.

**Course Requirements:** There will be three exams and one or two random *extra-credit* quizzes.

Exam I 25%

Final Exam 40%

Exam II 35%

Extra Credit Quizzes 10%

**Homework:** Homework will be assigned regularly, but it will not be graded. This is your chance to demonstrate self-discipline. Your homework assignments *are the best way* to prepare and practice for your exams. It is up to you to determine how much practice and preparation you need. I will be providing homework solutions after you have had a chance to try it yourself.

**Pop Quizzes:** There will be one or two quizzes for extra credit. To benefit from these opportunities you should be prepared and stay engaged with class material.

**Attendance:** Attendance is required, unless excused, and it will be recorded each lecture.

**Grading Scheme:** The final grade will be rounded up, and letter grades will be assigned based on the following scale:

[94, 100] = A

[86, 89] = B<sup>+</sup>

[80, 82] = B<sup>-</sup>

[73, 75] = C

[60, 69] = D

[90, 93] = A<sup>-</sup>

[83, 85] = B

[76, 79] = C<sup>+</sup>

[70, 72] = C<sup>-</sup>

[0, 59] = F.

**Academic Integrity:** “Academic integrity is the pursuit of scholarly activity in an honest, truthful, and responsible manner. Violations of academic integrity include, but are not limited to, plagiarism, cheating on exams, falsification, unapproved collaboration, and destruction of library materials.” As stated in the student handbook, any violations to the standards of academic integrity will be subject to the University’s regulations on academic dishonesty.

**Disability Policy:** “If you are a student with a documented disability and require academic accommodations, you need to register with the Office of Disability Services for Students (ODS) in order to request academic accommodations for your courses. Please contact the main ODS office at Rose Hill at 718-817-0655 to arrange services. Staff at ODS can walk you through the process and arrange registration appointments. Accommodations are not retroactive, so you need to register with ODS prior to receiving your accommodations. Please see me after class or during office hours if you have questions or would like to submit your academic accommodation letter to me if you are already registered for accommodations with Fordham.”