

MATH 149A. Fall 2019. University of California, Riverside

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Lecture: MW 15:30-16:50, Sproul Hall 2355

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Textbook: Hogg, McKean, and Craig, Introduction to Mathematical Statistics, 7th edition or 8th edition.

Midterm Exam: Monday Nov 4, during lecture

Final Exam: Tuesday Dec 10, 19:00 - 22:00

The list of topics to be covered in class can be found here

<https://mathdept.ucr.edu/pdf/syllabi/m149a.pdf>. This program is not meant to be rigid; the pace will be adapted according to the feedback of the students and the time.

There will be two quizzes in the discussion sections. The scores for the discussion quizzes will count for 25 points of the final grade.

You will receive a grade for each of the midterms and the final exam. The midterm will give 25 points of your final grade, and the final exam will account for the remaining 50 points. The grades will be given according to the following scale:

A+	95 points
A	90 points
A-	85 points
B+	80 points
B	75 points
B-	70 points
C+	65 points
C	55 points
D	40 points

Other details about the course

1. Attendance to class is mandatory. Systematic work and attendance to office hours is strongly recommended.

Attendance will not be recorded and is not formally part of the grade, however please be aware that the lack of attendance may directly impact your performance. There is a very strong correlation between missing classes and failing the course. If you plan to leave before class is over, the correct procedure is to mention this to the instructor before the start of class. It is impolite and disruptive to your classmates to leave, or even pack up your belongings, before the lecture is over.

3. Quizzes: There will be a total of 2 quizzes throughout the course that will take place during discussion sessions. There will be no make-up quizzes. The quizzes will take place on Oct 22 and Nov 26, during discussion.
4. The final exam is comprehensive to be solved in 3 hours and might have similar structure to the Midterm exam.
5. All exams are closed notes and books. Calculators are not allowed. Since both Midterm and Final exams are composed by similar problems already solved in class, and since attendance to class is mandatory, no review sheet will be provided prior to any of the exams.
6. Make-up Policy: There are no make-up quizzes for any reason. Midterm exam make up is allowed only under certain circumstances (e.g. medical excuse, participation in intercollegiate sports, jury duty etc). Official documentation is required to make up the exam and must be provided at least 10 days in advance of the request, except when such notice is not possible. If you miss the Midterm exam then your final grade for this course will be computed without taking into account the missed Midterm exam. Under no circumstances there will be any make up for the final exam.
7. Extra Credit points: I will grant a maximum of 5 points to those students willing to do some short presentation in front of the class about some particular topic of any kind (literature, anthropology, philosophy, history, ...).
8. Cheating will be taken very seriously. Every attempt to cheat will give you an automatic "F" for the course. You will not be allowed to drop the course, and your case will be forwarded to the student conduct committee.
9. Students with Disabilities: UC Riverside is committed to providing equal access to learning opportunities to students with documented disabilities. To ensure access to this class, and your program, please contact the Student Disability Resource Center (SDRC) to engage in a confidential conversation about the process for requesting accommodations in the classroom. More information can be found on <https://sdruc.ucr.edu>. If you are a student registered with the SDRC, please ensure you request your quarterly accommodations through rability.ucr.edu.

I personally believe my responsibility is to create an adequate environment to allow all the students to succeed. Special care will be taken with those students who may be behind or struggling in class.

Tips for Success: Come to class! It is amazing how much you can learn by being attentive in class. Like all mathematics, probability is not a spectator sport; you will learn only by doing! You will find that a consistent effort will be rewarded.