

## Additional Course Information— MATH 321 L02— FALL 2008

9. **Required Text: Mathematical Statistics with Applications (Seventh Edition)**, by Wakerly, Mendenhall and Scheaffer. Duxbury, 2007.

10. **Assignments:** Over the course of the term, you will be assigned a series of recommended problems taken from the **seventh edition** of the text. The assignments should be worked on either individually, or with the assistance of your tutorial instructor. The assignments are not for credit, and the solutions will be posted on the MATH 321 L02 website. It is highly recommended that you try to complete each question set on your own before checking the answers, since this will provide the best preparation for success in this course.

11. **Calculators:** Programmable or graphing calculators are not allowed in this course. A basic scientific calculator is sufficient for this course.

12. **Tutorials:** Pre-assigned tutorial sections will be used to write quizzes, discuss the assigned problems, and to give students help with problems on request. You will also be exposed to certain aspects of a popular statistical software, R. When the course material allows, relevant R routines will be illustrated in the tutorial lab. The use of R will not start for several weeks— more information about this will be given to you sometime later in the course.

**There will be no tutorial on Wed., Sept. 10.** The first tutorial will take place on Wed., Sept. 17.

13. **Quizzes:** As stated above, you will write each quiz in your assigned tutorial session. The quizzes will be “closed book”—no text, notes or formula sheets will be allowed. A calculator (see point 11) will be allowed. Each quiz will be based on the course material covered by the previous assignment, so mastery of the assigned questions will be the best preparation for the quizzes.

The four quizzes will take place on the following dates: (1) Sept. 24; (2) Oct. 15; (3) Nov. 19; (4) Dec. 3. The **best three** of these four quiz marks will constitute the “quiz” component of the final course grade.

14. **Missed Quizzes.** There will be no makeup quizzes. In the case of a student missing more than one quiz, an adjusted mark will be made based on the completed quizzes, but only in the case of valid excused absences.

15. **Midterm Exam.** There will be a 50-minute midterm exam taken during the lecture period on **Tuesday, Oct. 28**, beginning promptly at 3:30pm in ST132. Just as in the case of the quizzes, the midterm exam will be “closed book” with only a calculator allowed.

16. **Final Exam:** The final exam will be scheduled by the registrar, and will be a common final exam for the two sections of MATH 321.

17. **Final Grades:** You must pass the the final exam – 50% or higher – in order to earn a C- or better in the course. In addition, **a final overall average mark of less than 50% is considered substandard and will result in a letter grade of F.**