



# STAT 285

## Introduction to Probability and Statistics

Fall 2007  
Day Course

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### **Prerequisite:**

STAT 270 & MATH 232 (can be a corequisite). This course may not be taken for credit by students who have credit for STAT 330 prior to the Fall 03-3 semester.

### **Textbook:**

*Probability and Statistics for Engineering and the Sciences, 6<sup>th</sup> ed.*, by Jay L. Devore, Publisher: Duxbury Press

### **Calendar Description:**

This course is a continuation of STAT 270. Review of probability models; procedures for statistical inference from survey results and experimental data. Statistical model building. Elementary design of experiments and regression methods. Introduction to lifetime analysis. Introduction to time series. Introduction to stochastic processes. **Quantitative**

### **Outline:**

1. Review of STAT 270 material and relationship to this course
2. Analysis of Categorical Data
3. Parameter estimation - least squares and likelihood methods
4. Hypothesis tests
5. Elementary design of experiments including analysis of variance
6. Introduction to Regression Analysis - simple and multiple
7. Introduction to lifetime analysis
8. Introduction to time series: ARIMA models, estimation, forecasting, confidence interval
9. Introduction to Stochastic Processes: Markov Chains and the Poisson process

### **Grading Scheme:**

Assignments – 20%  
Midterm 1 – 15%  
Midterm 2 – 15%  
Final – 50%

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