



DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS AND STATISTICS  
COURSE OUTLINE

**Course:** STAT 517 Practice of Statistics

**Dates:** January 09, 2017 – April 12, 2017

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Lec	Day	Time	Location	Instructor	Office	Phone	Email	Office Hours
01	TR	11:00-12:15	ST 055	Gemai Chen	MS 518	220-3961	cheg@ucalgary.ca	10 to 11 Thursdays

Desire 2 Learn (D2L) course name: STAT 517(Winter 2017)- Practice of Statistics

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2. **Prerequisites:** (see Section 3.5C of Faculty of Science [www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/sc-3-5.html](http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/sc-3-5.html) and Course Descriptions: [www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/course-desc-main.html](http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/course-desc-main.html))
3. **Grading:** The University policy on grading and related matters is described sections F.1 and F.2 of the online University Calendar. This is a PASS/FAIL course. In determining whether or not a student has successfully passed the course, the following criteria will be used:

Projects (5) 100%

Each piece of work (assignment, midterm tests or final examination submitted by the student will be assigned a percentage score. The student's average percentage score for the various components listed above will be combined with the indicated weights to produce an overall percentage for the course, which will be used to determine the course letter grade [bearing in mind that an F grade will result if the student does not pass the final exam], The conversion between the course percentage x and the letter grade is given below:

Letter Grade Conversions	
Letter Grade	Cut points
A+	≥93
A	88
A-	83
B+	78
B	73
B-	68
C+	63
C	58
C-	53
D	48
F	<48

4. **Missed Components of Term Work:** The regulations of the Faculty of Science pertaining to this matter are found in the Faculty of Science area of the Calendar in [Section 3.6](#). It is the student's responsibility to familiarize himself/herself with these regulations. See also Section E.6 of the University Calendar. In the unlikely event of a health problem, the [Physician/Counsellor Statement Form](#) must be accompanied by either "[Application for Deferred Final Examinations](#)" or an "[Application for Deferment of Term Work](#)" in order to gain approval for such request. For all other missed term work such as quizzes, assignments or midterms, the [Physician/Counsellor Form](#) must be handed directly to your course instructor for approval.

**Course Materials:** There is no required textbook for this course.

6. **Examination Policy:** There is no examination. Students are encouraged to have discussions, but the project reports should be completed individually and handled in on time just like exams. Students should also read the Calendar, Section G, on Examinations

7. **OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS:**

- (a) **Academic Misconduct:** (cheating, plagiarism, or any other form) is a very serious offence that will be dealt with rigorously in all cases. A single offence may lead to disciplinary probation or suspension or expulsion. The Faculty of Science follows a zero tolerance policy regarding dishonesty. Please read the sections of the University Calendar under [Section K](#). Student Misconduct to inform yourself of definitions, processes and penalties
- (b) **Assembly Points:** In case of an emergency during class time, be sure to FAMILIARIZE YOURSELF with the information on [assembly points](#).
- (c) **Academic Accommodation Policy:** Students with documentable disabilities are referred to the following links: [Calendar entry on students with disabilities](#) and [Student Accessibility Services](#). Students needing an Accommodation in relation to their coursework or to fulfill requirements for a graduate degree, based on a Protected Ground other than Disability, should communicate this need, preferably in writing, to the Associate Head of Mathematics and Statistics, Jim Stallard, by email at [jbstall@ucalgary.ca](mailto:jbstall@ucalgary.ca) or by phone at 403-220-3953.
- (d) **Safewalk:** Campus Security will escort individuals day or night (<http://www.ucalgary.ca/security/safewalk/>). Call 403-220-5333 for assistance. Use any campus phone, emergency phone or the yellow phones located at most parking lot pay booths.
- (e) **Freedom of Information and Privacy:** This course is conducted in accordance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIPP). As one consequence, students should identify themselves on all written work by placing their name on the front page and their ID number on each subsequent page. For more information see also <http://www.ucalgary.ca/secretariat/privacy>.
- (f) **Student Union Information:** VP Academic Phone: 220-3911 Email: [suvpaca@ucalgary.ca](mailto:suvpaca@ucalgary.ca).  
SU Faculty Rep. Phone: 220-3913 Email: [sciencerep@su.ucalgary.ca](mailto:sciencerep@su.ucalgary.ca); [Student Ombudsman](#)

- (g) Internet and Electronic Device Information:** You can assume that in all classes that you attend, your cell phone should be turned off unless instructed otherwise. Also, communication with other individuals, via laptop computers, Blackberries or other devices connectable to the Internet is not allowed in class time unless specifically permitted by the instructor. If you violate this policy you may be asked to leave the classroom. Repeated abuse may result in a charge of misconduct.
- (h)** At the University of Calgary, feedback provided by students through the Universal Student Ratings of Instruction (USRI) survey provides valuable information to help with evaluating instruction, enhancing learning and teaching, and selecting courses ([www.ucalgary.ca/usri](http://www.ucalgary.ca/usri)). Your responses make a difference - please participate in USRI Surveys.