Syllabus: MTH 463/563 Probability I

Course credits: 3.0

Meets: live via Zoom MWF 11:00 am - 11:50 am, or prerecorded.

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Grading scheme: Homework 30%, Online quizzes 25%, Online tests 45%

Prerequisites: MATH 311 or instructor's approval. A minimum grade of C-is required in MTH 311

Textbooks:

(1) Charles M. Grinstead and J. Laurie Snell, *Introduction to Probability* available as a **FREE** e-book at http://www.dartmouth.edu/~chance/teaching_aids/books_articles/probability_book/book.html

A hard copy of the textbook can be acquired at bookstores such as <u>Amazon</u>.

(2) Mark Huber, *Probability: Lectures and Labs* available as a **FREE** e-book at <u>https://www.markhuberdatascience.org/probability-textbook</u>

A hard copy of the textbook can be acquired at bookstores such as Amazon

Course Description: This is an introductory course in probability theory.

Course Content: axioms of probability, probability spaces and models, conditional probability, independence, Bayes' theorem, counting and elements of combinatorics, discrete and continuous random variables, probability mass functions, densities, distributions, expectation and variance, probability inequalities, the law of large numbers, and the binomial central limit theorem.

Learning goals: (i) known how to compute probability by counting; (ii) know how to use Bayes' theorem; (iii) known how to use discrete and continuous random variables for computing probabilities; (iv) know how to compute expectations and variances of discrete and continuous random variables; (v) know how to use probability inequalities (for example Markov and Chebyshev inequalities); (vi) know the law of large numbers and the binomial central limit theorem (de Moivre - Laplace theorem).

Homework: The homework assignments will need to be submitted in PDF format via Canvas and before the respective deadline. Late homework will not be accepted.

Online Quizzes: There will be five online quizzes, all on Canvas.

Online tests: There will be two online tests proctored on Canvas. One offered in the middle of the quarter, and one at the end of the course. These are online equivalents of one midterm and one final exam.

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