



Florida International University

Business Statistics - STA 2023

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Required Text: Statistics for Business and Economics, by McClave, Benson and Sincich, 13th edition
Select **ONE** of the following (available at FIU bookstore with code for MyStatLab included):

- 1) Hard-bound Textbook, ISBN#9780134763743
- 2) Loose-leaf Version, ISBN#9780134763682
- 3) eText, ISBN#9780134748610

Semester: Fall 2017, Section 07

Course Objective: Inference, in the form of estimations, decisions, and predictions, plays a vital role in everyday life as well as in organized research. In many cases, a knowledge of statistics will allow a quantitative assessment of the risk involved with each inference, and hence, improve a basic knowledge of inference making procedures for undergraduates with diverse academic backgrounds.

Grading: Your final grade in the course will be determined by the total number of points earned throughout the semester of 500 possible points. Take your total number of points earned and divide by 5 to get your average. Below is the minimum average needed for the following grades:

A: 93 A-: 90 B+: 87 B: 83 B-: 80 C+: 77 C: 70 D: 60 F: below 60

Incomplete Grade will be assigned only if a student has passing status and has completed most of the coursework but is unable to finish the course due to a serious, documented interruption not caused by the student's own negligence.

Exams/Quizzes: Your grade will be comprised of the following: MyStatLab assignments/quizzes, 3 Class Exams, and a Cumulative Final Exam (500 points total).

Exam I:	September 28	(100 points 20%)	
Exam II:	October 31	(100 points 20%)	
Exam III:	December 5	(100 points 20%)	
Final:	December 12	(150 points 30%)	*7:15pm – 9:15pm*
MyStatLab		<u>(50 points 10%)</u>	
		500 points	

Note: For students who have taken all 3 of the class exams, if your Final Exam % is higher than your lowest exam %, the Final Exam will replace the lowest exam score (i.e., your final exam will count twice).

Formulas: For Class Exams you may bring ONE sheet of paper, front side only, with formulas and notes. For the Final exam your ONE sheet of paper may be written on both sides. (I will check these during Exams to confirm instructions have been followed.)

Exam Policy:

*Students must bring a photo I.D. for each exam

*Students may use only standard, scientific, or graphing calculators.

***NO CELL PHONES/Smart Watches** may be used as calculators.

***During exams all phones must be turned off and put away. Any student with a phone out/visible during an exam will automatically receive a 0 (ZERO) for the exam. No exceptions. No excuses. Your phone is to be put away in a backpack/purse and is not to be in your lap, pocket, on the floor, on your desk...Do not take your phone out of your bag until you have exited the classroom.** If a student's phone rings, beeps, vibrates, etc. during an exam, I reserve the right to collect the student's exam immediately.

*Once a student begins taking an exam, the student may not leave the classroom until turning in the exam; i.e., you may not leave the room and return to continue working on the exam.

*A student arriving late to an exam may not be permitted to take the exam if another student has turned in their exam.

****Any student who does not take an exam at the scheduled time without PRIOR CONSENT of the instructor will receive a grade of ZERO on that exam.** If you feel you have a legitimate excuse for missing an exam, you must contact me via e-mail PRIOR to the exam. No Make-Up exams will be given; if you've provided appropriate documentation for a missed exam, the Final Exam will be counted twice (once for missed exam and once for Final).

Early Alerts: In an effort to help you succeed in your academic courses, FIU utilizes an Early Alert system. Instructors are now able to notify students' academic advisors if there are concerns about class performance. If an alert is submitted, your academic advisor will send you a message via your Student Dashboard (accessed via your MYFIU page) to discuss ways to improve your performance. Please respond to any communication you receive from your academic advisor about an early alert. Our goal with this program is to help you be successful by identifying any issues as early on as possible and working to address them.

***I will submit an alert for students who score below 60% on Exam I and/or Exam II.**

Homework/Quizzes: Homework problems and quizzes are assigned in MyStatLab. ****Do not work the problems with the sole objective of obtaining the correct numerical answer.** Rather, work the problems in order to understand the conclusions in the context of the individual problem. This will help you to see the meaning and relevance of the procedures we will discuss.

Attendance: FIU will be enforcing mandatory attendance for STA 2023 during the first two weeks of classes and may drop students who do not have verified attendance. After that, attendance is not required but certainly advised. Students are responsible for everything covered during the class period, including material discussed as well as any handouts, notification of changes in exam dates, homework assignments and any other announcements.

Problems: I am committed to do everything I can to help you do your best in the course and encourage you to contact me as soon as any problems arise that may affect your performance, whether they are academic or personal. Do not wait until the end of the semester to discuss issues that arose weeks prior.

Important dates: Last day to Drop with DR grade (no refund) - October 30, 2017

E-mail Policy: Include your full name in "From" box and Course number in Subject box as I may not open e-mail without this information. Any time you are requesting a grade you must include your Panther ID # or use your FIU student e-mail.

Academic Misconduct:

Florida International University is a community dedicated to generating and imparting knowledge through excellent teaching and research, the rigorous and respectful exchange of ideas, and community service. All students should respect the right of others to have an equitable opportunity to learn and honestly demonstrate the quality of their learning. Therefore, all students are expected to adhere to a standard of academic conduct, which demonstrates respect for themselves, their fellow students, and the educational mission of the University. All students are deemed by the University to understand that if they are found responsible for academic misconduct, they will be subject to the Academic Misconduct procedures and sanctions, as outlined in the Student Handbook.

Students guilty of academic misconduct are subject to a variety of disciplinary actions ranging from a zero on an exam and F in the course to dismissal from the University (with concurrence of the President).

FYI: It is your responsibility to save all of the materials distributed by the instructor:

- 1) Make duplicate copies of all papers
Save all examinations and papers that are returned
- 2) Raise any questions about final grades within 45 days of the date classes begin the following semester.

Extra Credit: Several Extra Credit opportunities will be given in class throughout the semester. No make-ups will be provided – you must be in class to take advantage of these opportunities.

MyStatLab:

Course Name: STA 2023 Fall 2017

Course ID: reisert97192

Important Information from the College of Business:

For all FIU students admitted to the College of Business in the Fall 2016 and later terms, the GPA earned for the seven Common Prerequisite Course (or equivalents) credit hours must be 2.5 or higher. Additionally, students must earn a “C” or higher in each of the seven lower-division Common Prerequisite Courses (or equivalents). Each of these seven courses cannot be attempted more than twice. Drops after the add/drop period, which result in a DR grade, are considered an attempt in the course and count as an unsuccessful enrollment.

Students admitted to a College of Business program in the Fall 2016 and later terms (a) failing to complete the seven Common Prerequisite Courses (or equivalents) with a 2.5 or higher, or (b) failing to pass any of the seven Common Prerequisite Courses (or equivalents) in two attempts, can no longer continue to pursue any major within the College of Business.

Common Prerequisite Courses include:

1. ACG 2021, Accounting for Decisions
2. ACG 3301, Accounting for Planning and Control
3. CGS 2100, Microcomputer Applications for Business
4. ECO 2013, Principles of Macroeconomics
5. ECO 2023, Principles of Microeconomics
6. MAC 2233, Calculus for Business
7. **STA 2023, Statistics for Business and Economics**