

## COURSE SYLLABUS



COURSE TITLE: Business Statistics  
CLASS SECTION: D04  
TERM: Winter 2024  
COURSE CREDITS: 3  
DELIVERY METHOD(S): Online Synchronous - Tuesdays 6:00pm-8:50pm

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We will meet online over Zoom during this time each week

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## INSTRUCTOR DETAILS

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OFFICE: N/A  
HOURS: 9:30am-10:30am on Thursday's over Zoom (or by appointment)

*As your course instructor, I endeavour to provide an inclusive learning environment. However, if you experience barriers to learning in this course, do not hesitate to discuss them with me. Camosun College is committed to identifying and removing institutional and social barriers that prevent access and impede success.*

## CALENDAR DESCRIPTION

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Students will learn statistical methods for applications in business. They will study how to describe and analyze data, analyze decisions made with uncertainty, interpret descriptive statistics for one and two variables, and make predictions based on statistical data.

PREREQUISITE(S): One of: C in MATH 11, C in MATH 077, C+ in MATH 072, C+ in MATH 075

CO-REQUISITE(S):

EQUIVALENCIES:

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## REQUIRED MATERIALS & RECOMMENDED PREPARATION / INFORMATION

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### Text: Recommended

Lind, D., Marchal, W., Wathen, S., Waite, C., & Murphy, K. (2022). *Basic Statistics For Business & Economics* (7th Canadian Edition). Canada: McGraw-Hill Education.

**Software: Required** access to MS Excel. See [HERE](#) for student download information

**Calculator: Required** Texas Instruments BAII Plus financial calculator or simple non-programmable calculator

## COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES / OBJECTIVES

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Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. Identify and utilize statistical information available in the databases, media, and business environments to guide decision making.
2. Analyze quantitative data to interpret their use in business applications.
3. Calculate and interpret descriptive statistics for one and two variable problems.
4. Apply the common rules of probability to discrete and continuous distributions.
5. Construct and interpret a confidence interval estimate.
6. Use the central limit theorem to determine possible sample sizes for various business problems.
7. Carry out an appropriate hypothesis test in a one and two sample hypothesis test.
8. Describe how linear regression models forecast business activity.

## COURSE SCHEDULE, TOPICS, AND ASSOCIATED PREPARATION / ACTIVITY / EVALUATION

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The following schedule and course components are subject to change with reasonable advance notice, as deemed appropriate by the instructor.

WEEK or DATE RANGE	ACTIVITY or TOPIC	OTHER NOTES
1: Jan 8	Introduction to Statistics and Describing Data I	
2: Jan 15	Describing Data I and II	
3: Jan 22	Introduction to Probability	Discussion Post 1 due Jan 28 <sup>th</sup>
4: Jan 29	Discrete Probability Distributions	
5: Feb 5	Midterm 1	MT1 In Class
6: Feb 12	Continuous Probability Distributions	
7: Feb 19	READING BREAK – NO CLASSES	No Office Hours
8: Feb 26	Sampling Method and CLT	
9: Mar 4	Estimation and Confidence Intervals	Discussion Post 2 due March 10 <sup>th</sup>
10: Mar 11	One Sample Hypothesis Testing	
11: Mar 18	Midterm 2	MT2 In Class
12: Mar 25	Two Sample Hypothesis	
13: April 1	Linear Regression	
14: April 8	Review	

Students registered with the Centre for Accessible Learning (CAL) who complete quizzes, tests, and exams with academic accommodations have booking procedures and deadlines with CAL where advanced notice is required. Deadlines can be reviewed on the [CAL exams page](https://camosun.ca/services/academic-supports/accessible-learning/academic-accommodations-exams). <https://camosun.ca/services/academic-supports/accessible-learning/academic-accommodations-exams>

## EVALUATION OF LEARNING

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DESCRIPTION	WEIGHTING
D2L Quizzes	20%
Midterm 1	20%
Midterm 2	20%
Discussion Posts	10%
Final Exam	30%
	<b>TOTAL</b>
	100%

If you have a concern about a grade you have received for an evaluation, please come and see me as soon as possible. Refer to the [Grade Review and Appeals](https://camosun.ca/sites/default/files/2021-05/e-1.14.pdf) policy for more information.  
<https://camosun.ca/sites/default/files/2021-05/e-1.14.pdf>

## COURSE GUIDELINES & EXPECTATIONS

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**D2L Quizzes:** You will get a quiz for each week's material and an introduction quiz. Quizzes will be posted by the end of the day on Tuesday and will be due on Sunday at 11:59pm each week. All quizzes are worth the same amount. Your lowest two quizzes will be dropped. Extensions will not be granted on the Quizzes. Late submissions will not be accepted.

**Midterms:** Will take place during our scheduled class time over Zoom. You must have your camera on during the exam and have your photo ID/calculator present for inspection.

**Discussion Posts:** Discussions will be posted on D2L. They will be posted no later than Wednesday the week that they are due. You must first write your response and then respond to one of your classmates posts. Your grade comes in part from your post and in part from your interaction with your classmates.

**Final Exam:** The final exam will be cumulative and is scheduled by the College.

## SCHOOL OR DEPARTMENTAL INFORMATION

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**Assignment Formatting.** The School of Business uses APA style for formatting assignments and citing references. Proper citations and formatting using APA style will be required. See Camosun College (2018) Library Citation Guides retrieved from: <http://camosun.ca.libguides.com/apa7>.

- Where required by your instructor, submit all assignments into the D2L assignments by your last name.
- In text citations for quotes, paraphrasing, and references must be consistent with APA standards.
- Grammar, spelling, style and APA formatting, citations and referencing will be assessed in your mark.
- All submitted work must be properly referenced to sources where required by your instructor.
- Unless otherwise specified, you are to submit your own work, any work collaborated (unless permitted by the course) will be considered in violation of the college's Student Conduct Policy. See Camosun College (2003) Student Conduct Policy from: <http://camosun.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-2-student-services-and-support/e-2.5.pdf>.

**Deadlines and Exams.** You must submit your assignments on the due date or as announced. A grade of zero will be assigned to late submissions. There are no additional assignments or make-up exams of any kind if you performed poorly on an assignment, midterm or final exam.

a) EXAM DATES WILL NOT BE RESCHEDULED. Non-attendance on scheduled exam dates results in a zero grade. Exceptions will be made only for medical reasons or extenuating circumstances that must be submitted and then accepted by the instructor. Please advise your instructor promptly.

b) Students registered through the [Centre for Accessible Learning \(CAL\)](#) should discuss timelines with their instructors at the beginning of each semester.

c) Medical notes must be dated, signed, and be written on letterhead or prescription paper imprinted with the physician's name and address. Notes are accepted from Physician (GP or medical specialist), Nurse Practitioner, Psychiatrist, Psychologist, Counsellor and Aboriginal Elder. Electronic notes will not be accepted. Medical documentation must be received as soon as reasonably possible.

## STUDENT RESPONSIBILITY

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Enrolment at Camosun assumes that the student will become a responsible member of the College community. As such, each student will display a positive work ethic, assist in the preservation of College property, and assume responsibility for their education by researching academic requirements and policies; demonstrating courtesy and respect toward others; and respecting expectations concerning attendance, assignments, deadlines, and appointments.

## SUPPORTS AND SERVICES FOR STUDENTS

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Camosun College offers a number of services to help you succeed in and out of the classroom. For a detailed overview of the supports and services visit [camosun.ca/services](https://camosun.ca/services).

Support Service	Website
Academic Advising	<a href="https://camosun.ca/services/academic-supports/academic-advising">camosun.ca/services/academic-supports/academic-advising</a>
Accessible Learning	<a href="https://camosun.ca/services/academic-supports/accessible-learning">camosun.ca/services/academic-supports/accessible-learning</a>
Counselling	<a href="https://camosun.ca/services/health-and-wellness/counselling-centre">camosun.ca/services/health-and-wellness/counselling-centre</a>
Career Services	<a href="https://camosun.ca/services/co-operative-education-and-career-services">camosun.ca/services/co-operative-education-and-career-services</a>
Financial Aid and Awards	<a href="https://camosun.ca/registration-records/financial-aid-awards">camosun.ca/registration-records/financial-aid-awards</a>
Help Centres (Math/English/Science)	<a href="https://camosun.ca/services/academic-supports/help-centres">camosun.ca/services/academic-supports/help-centres</a>
Indigenous Student Support	<a href="https://camosun.ca/programs-courses/iecc/indigenous-student-services">camosun.ca/programs-courses/iecc/indigenous-student-services</a>
International Student Support	<a href="https://camosun.ca/international">camosun.ca/international</a>
Learning Skills	<a href="https://camosun.ca/services/academic-supports/help-centres/writing-centre-learning-skills">camosun.ca/services/academic-supports/help-centres/writing-centre-learning-skills</a>
Library	<a href="https://camosun.ca/services/library">camosun.ca/services/library</a>

Support Service	Website
Office of Student Support	<a href="https://camosun.ca/services/office-student-support">camosun.ca/services/office-student-support</a>
Ombudsperson	<a href="https://camosun.ca/services/ombudsperson">camosun.ca/services/ombudsperson</a>
Registration	<a href="https://camosun.ca/registration-records/registration">camosun.ca/registration-records/registration</a>
Technology Support	<a href="https://camosun.ca/services/its">camosun.ca/services/its</a>
Writing Centre	<a href="https://camosun.ca/services/academic-supports/help-centres/writing-centre-learning-skills">camosun.ca/services/academic-supports/help-centres/writing-centre-learning-skills</a>

If you have a mental health concern, please contact Counselling to arrange an appointment as soon as possible. Counselling sessions are available at both campuses during business hours. If you need urgent support after-hours, please contact the Vancouver Island Crisis Line at 1-888-494-3888 or call 911.

## COLLEGE-WIDE POLICIES, PROCEDURES, REQUIREMENTS, AND STANDARDS

### Academic Integrity

Students are expected to comply with all College policy regarding academic integrity; which is about honest and ethical behaviour in your education journey. The following guide is designed to help you understand your responsibilities: <https://camosun.libguides.com/academicintegrity/welcome>  
Please visit <https://camosun.ca/sites/default/files/2021-05/e-1.13.pdf> for Camosun's Academic Integrity policy and details for addressing and resolving matters of academic misconduct.

### A Note on the use of Artificial Intelligence (AI)

While students are encouraged to utilize various resources for independent study and understanding course material, **the use of AI software during exams or for submitted work is strictly prohibited.** Exams are designed to assess individual understanding and the application of concepts, and the use of AI software undermines the evaluation process.

However, outside of examination periods, students are permitted to use AI software for study purposes, with the understanding that reliance on such tools may hinder the development of their own critical thinking and problem-solving skills. It is advised that students approach their studies with a focus on personal comprehension and application of the subject matter.

Please be aware that any violations of this policy may result in academic consequences, as outlined in the academic integrity section of this syllabus above. If you have any questions about the appropriateness of using specific AI tools, feel free to consult with me for clarification.

### Academic Accommodations for Students with Disabilities

Camosun College is committed to achieving full accessibility for persons with disabilities. Part of this commitment includes arranging appropriate academic accommodations for students with disabilities to ensure they have an equitable opportunity to participate in all of their academic activities. If you are a student with a documented disability and think you may need accommodations, you are strongly encouraged to contact the Centre for Accessible Learning (CAL) and register as early as possible. Please visit the CAL website for more information about the process of registering with CAL, including important deadlines: <https://camosun.ca/cal>

### Academic Progress

Please visit <https://camosun.ca/sites/default/files/2023-02/e-1.1.pdf> for further details on how Camosun College monitors students' academic progress and what steps can be taken if a student is at risk of not meeting the College's academic progress standards.

### Course Withdrawals Policy

Please visit <https://camosun.ca/sites/default/files/2021-05/e-2.2.pdf> for further details about course withdrawals. For deadline for fees, course drop dates, and tuition refund, please visit <https://camosun.ca/registration-records/tuition-fees#deadlines>.

### Grading Policy

Please visit <https://camosun.ca/sites/default/files/2021-05/e-1.5.pdf> for further details about grading.

### Grade Review and Appeals

Please visit <https://camosun.ca/sites/default/files/2021-05/e-1.14.pdf> for policy relating to requests for review and appeal of grades.

### Medical / Compassionate Withdrawals

Students who are incapacitated and unable to complete or succeed in their studies by virtue of serious and demonstrated exceptional circumstances may be eligible for a medical/compassionate withdrawal (see [policy](#)). Please visit <https://camosun.ca/services/forms#medical> to learn more about the process involved in a medical/compassionate withdrawal.

### Sexual Violence and Misconduct

Camosun is committed to creating a campus culture of safety, respect, and consent. Camosun's Office of Student Support is responsible for offering support to students impacted by sexual violence. Regardless of when or where the sexual violence or misconduct occurred, students can access support at Camosun. The Office of Student Support will make sure students have a safe and private place to talk and will help them understand what supports are available and their options for next steps. The Office of Student Support respects a student's right to choose what is right for them. For more information see Camosun's Sexualized Violence and Misconduct Policy: <https://camosun.ca/sites/default/files/2021-05/e-2.9.pdf> and [camosun.ca/services/sexual-violence-support-and-education](https://camosun.ca/services/sexual-violence-support-and-education). To contact the Office of Student Support: [oss@camosun.ca](mailto:oss@camosun.ca) or by phone: 250-370-3046 or 250-370-3841

### Student Misconduct (Non-Academic)

Camosun College is committed to building the academic competency of all students, seeks to empower students to become agents of their own learning, and promotes academic belonging for everyone. Camosun also expects that all students to conduct themselves in a manner that contributes to a positive, supportive, and safe learning environment. Please review Camosun College's Student Misconduct Policy at <https://camosun.ca/sites/default/files/2021-05/e-2.5.pdf> to understand the College's expectations of academic integrity and student behavioural conduct.

### Looking for other policies?

The full suite of College policies and directives can be found here: <https://camosun.ca/about/camosun-college-policies-and-directives>

**Changes to this Syllabus:** Every effort has been made to ensure that information in this syllabus is accurate at the time of publication. The College reserves the right to change courses if it becomes necessary so that course content remains relevant. In such cases, the instructor will give the students clear and timely notice of the changes.