

Math 135 – Section 875/876
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Text – "Statistics, Informed Decisions Using Data"
2nd Edition
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[for a \$20 (not guaranteed) version of the text on line, see * at bottom of page]

To assist in the study of the course, a set of DVD's entitled: "Empowerment with Statistics," produced at AACC with actual class participation is available in the bookstore and is highly recommended to go with the text in the study of the course. They provide actual in-class instruction in the course material. Supplemental material under the course content icon in the course content section of the web-site may be used to assist with the study of course concepts in addition to the text and DVD material.

There are six graded homework exercises to be submitted by fax, e-mail, or drop-off on specific dates found in the course schedule. These exercises are listed under the course content icon on the web-site. The homework exercises will be graded and returned by U.S. Mail. Solutions to these exercises will be posted on the web-site immediately after the work is due. Therefore, no graded homework exercises can be accepted after the due date. If homework is not received by the due date, a grade of F will be assigned to that exercise. Graded homework exercises count 18% of your semester grade.

There will be two Performance Opportunities (tests) administered on line covering material presented in the just-completed time period. Each of these Performance Opportunities will count 25% of your semester grade for a total of 50%. These "tests" are of multiple choice, short-answer format. They will be administered over a several-day time frame. Any Performance Opportunity not taken will receive a grade of F.

There will be a Final Examination administered in the college testing center at the end of the semester. It will be of 2.5 hours in duration and will be comprehensive for the entire semester material. The final exam will count 32% of your semester grade.

Students are expected to do their own work! It will not assist you in having others do the work for you. The final exam usually identifies those who have not mastered the course material themselves. Many of you want to just get credit for having taken the course. That is a viewpoint that is erroneous. Mastering the course material, rather than just getting through it, assists you in all aspects of a professional career.

Several times a student has an "A" grade on the homework and the PO's, yet gets a low score on the final exam, sometimes as low as 10%. Receiving an F on the final exam will result in an F for the semester, regardless of other course grades. However, if the student wishes, a re-exam in this case can be administered upon request.

In the course schedule specific problems from the textbook are listed to assist you in mastering the course material. These are not to be turned in, but serve as a guide in grasping the course content.

Grades are assigned on a percentage basis to wit: 0% to 59% -- F; 60% to 69% -- D; 70% to 79% -- C; 80% to 89% -- B; and 90% to 100% -- A. There is no "curving" of the graded homework, performance opportunity and final exam.

*The textbook is available on-line at a reduced cost of \$20 (not guaranteed however). To purchase the on-line version you must go to the bookstore and purchase the student access code for MAT135. To use the code, go to <http://ola.aacc.edu/mathcomputerlab/mml/mml.htm> and click on Follow instructions for registering for MyMathLab. The course ID is longmore22964.