

Math 407 – Probability Theory (Spring 2018)

Meeting times

Lectures: MWF 1-1:50, GFS 101

Sections: Tu/Th 10-10:50 KAP 166, Tu/Th 11-11:50 KAP 166

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Textbook: A first course in probability, 9th edition, by Sheldon Ross

Grading: Quizzes 30%, Midterm 25%, Final exam 45%

The quizzes will largely be based on a list of practice problems. The quizzes will be on most Thursdays, but definitely not on the first week or on the week of the midterm.

There will be no makeup quizzes, and the two lowest quiz scores will be dropped.

There are no makeups for the midterm; if you have a legitimate and documentable reason for missing the midterm, your final will count more.

A calculator (without internet connection or other communication capabilities) will be allowed on the quizzes, midterm and final, but credit will mostly be given for the work and not the numerical answers in the solutions. A one sided formula sheet will be allowed for the midterm, and a two-sided formula sheet will be allowed for the final.

Dates of midterm and final

Midterm: Wed. Feb. 28 (in class)

Final: Wed. May 2, 2-4pm, room to be announced

Material to be covered in the course: Most of the material in Chapters 1-9 of the text.

Math Center: KAP 263. This is a useful resource; hours to be announced.

Students with Disabilities: Any student requesting academic accommodations based on a disability is required to register with Disability Services and Programs (DSP) each semester. A letter of verification for approved accommodations can be obtained from DSP. Please be sure that the letter is delivered to me as early in the semester as possible. DSP is located in STU 301. The phone number for DSP is 213-740-0776.

Course Website: <http://www-bcf.usc.edu/~fulman/math407spring2018.html>