# PSYCHOLOGY 3101-200 STATISTICS AND RESEARCH METHODS IN PSYCHOLOGY Spring 2008

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Classes: 9.30am - 10.45am, Tuesday and Thursday

**Location:** ECCR1B40

**Text Book:** Statistics for the Behavioral Sciences, 7<sup>th</sup> Edition

Fredrick J Gravetter and Larry B Wallnau, Thomson Wadsworth

**Course Description:** The focus of this course is to introduce the basic statistical techniques important for analyzing data arising in psychology-related research. Statistical reasoning will be emphasized through problem solving and applications.

Prerequisites: MATH 1001, 1011 or equivalent.

**Course Requirements:** There will be *three in-class examinations* and *ten problem sets*. The first two exams will be worth 20% of the final course grade (100 points each) while the third exam will be worth 40% of the final course grade (200 points). The exams will not be cumulative, however you will be expected to understand how previously covered material relates to the material being tested. The problem sets will also be worth 20%. The problem sets will be handed out on Tuesday and due the following Tuesday at the beginning of lecture.

Class Notes: Photocopies of the lectures will be handed out in class. Extra copies will be available upon request.

**Laboratory Sessions:** Lab sessions are led by the teaching assistants and will meet once per week for approximately two hours on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday. These sessions will be used to review the material that was covered in the lectures and to work through the problem sets. Graded problem sets will be returned during the lab sessions and computing issues will be discussed.

**Computing:** This course will provide an introduction to the R statistical package. R is an integrated suite of software facilities for data manipulation, calculation and graphical display. Handouts explaining the basic procedures for using R will be provided.

PSYC 3101-200 Spring 2008 - Revised Schedule and Reading List

<b>Date</b>	Topic	Chapters	Lab	Problem Set
01/15-01/17	Introduction / Descriptive Statistics	1	-	-
01/22-01/24	Descriptive Statistics	2, 3, 4	1	1
01/29-01/31	Probability	6.1	2	2 (PS1 due)
02/05	Review for Exam I	-	-	(PS2 due)
02/07	Exam I (100 points)	-	-	-
02/12-02/14	Probability Distributions I	6.2-6.5	3	3
02/19-02/21	Probability Distributions II	5	4	4 (PS3 due)
02/26-02/28	Estimation I	7	5	5 (PS4 due)
03/04-03/06	Estimation II	9.1	6	6 (PS5 due)
03/11	Class Canceled	-	-	-
03/13	Review for Exam II	-	-	(PS6 due)
03/18	Exam II (100 points)	-	-	-
03/20	Class Canceled	-	-	-
03/25-03/27	SPRING BREAK	-	-	-
04/01-04/03	Hypothesis Testing (Means) I	8.1-8.5, 10, 11	7	7
04/08-04/10	Hypothesis Testing (Means) II	13	8	8 (PS7 due)
04/15-04/17	Correlation and Regression	16, 17	9	9 (PS8 due)
04/22-04/24	Hypothesis Testing (Proportions) I	18	10	10 (PS9 due)
04/29	Measures of Effect (Proportions)	-	-	(PS10 due)
05/01	Review for Exam III	-	-	-
05/03*	Exam III (200 points)			

<sup>\*</sup>Exam III will be on Saturday, May 3 at 7.30am in ECCR1B40 (same room as the lectures are held)

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