
**Course outline**

The course will cover the first six chapters of the text and then assorted topics from the remaining chapters. There will be several homework assignments most of which need to be done on a computer. The homework assignments can be found on the class web page along with some additional handouts.

I will be using Rweb which is free software. You can use it on your own machine if you have access to the web. I will discuss Rweb in class and there will be handouts on the web which will help you get started. If you are already familiar with another statistical package you will probably be able to use it and need not learn Rweb.

**Grading Policy**

There will be several homework assignments which will count towards 20% of your grade. If you receive at least 75% credit on the homework you will earn the full 20% credit. There will be two exams. One sometime in the second half of the semester after spring break and the final exam. The first exam will be in class and the final will be a take home exam which will be given on the last day of class. Each will count 40% towards your grade.

In order to receive an I, or incomplete, for the course a student must have, in my opinion, legitimate reasons to justify extending the deadline for course completion and have a "reasonable expectation" of successfully completing the unfinished work on his/her own no later than one year from the last day of classes.