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office hours:  Mon, Tues 11-12:30 & Fri 2:30 – 3:30, students seeking out-of-class help from me are expected to have excellent attendance in the lecture.

textbook:  the 8th edition of a first course in probability, Sheldon Ross  
coverage = chapters 1–8 (possibly not in order), portions of 9 & 10, & some miscellaneous topics, time permitting.

classroom decorum: if you arrive to class late or must leave early, please do so quietly & do not cross in front of the screen. do not engage in distracting activities such as reading newspapers, talking with classmates about non-course-related matters, web-surfing, facebooking, tweeting, snappingchatting, etc.)

HW: you will work in teams of 4, with each team making a joint submission. HW should be neatly written (or typed) & stapled, with team member full-names in the top right corner (as they appear in the official university record).

Late HW: < 5PM the date due = 10% penalty, < 5PM the day after = 25% penalty, < 5PM 2 days after = 50% penalty, 100% penalty after that

exams & quizzes:  two 2-hour midterm exams (Wednesday 7-9) & a cumulative two-hour final exam (as scheduled) will be given (dates TBA).

make-ups: if something unexpected (emergency, illness etc.), or expected (religious, UI team event, etc.) arises, let me know as soon as possible.

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final% = .15(HW%) + .20(min midt%) + .35(max midt%) + .30(final exam%)

As a rough guide "A" = 90%, "B" = 80%, "C" = 70%, "D" = 60%.

student disabilities: I’d like to hear from anyone who has a disability which may require some modification of seating, testing, or other class requirements so that appropriate arrangements may be made. see me after class or during office hours.

policies:  Course policies are governed by CLAS. see https://clas.uiowa.edu/faculty/teaching-policies-resources-syllabus-insert.

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Administrative Home
The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences (CLAS) is the administrative home of this course and governs its add/drop deadlines, the second-grade-only option, and other policies. These policies vary by college (https://clas.uiowa.edu/students/handbook).

Electronic Communication
Students are responsible for official correspondences sent to their UI email address (uiowa.edu) and must use this address for all communication within UI (Operations Manual, III.15.2).

Accommodations for Disabilities
UI is committed to an educational experience that is accessible to all students. A student may request academic accommodations for a disability (such as mental health, attention, learning, vision, and physical or health-related condition) by registering with Student Disability Services (SDS). The student should then discuss accommodations with the course instructor (https://sds.studentlife.uiowa.edu/).

Nondiscrimination in the Classroom
UI is committed to making the classroom a respectful and inclusive space for all people irrespective of their gender, sexual, racial, religious or other identities. Toward this goal, students are invited to optionally share their preferred names and pronouns with their instructors and classmates. The University of Iowa prohibits discrimination and harassment against individuals on the basis of race, class, gender, sexual orientation, national origin, and other identity categories set forth in the University's Human Rights policy. For more information, contact the Office of Equal Opportunity and Diversity at diversity@uiowa.edu or diversity.uiowa.edu.

Academic Integrity
All undergraduates enrolled in courses offered by CLAS have, in essence, agreed to the College's Code of Academic Honesty. Misconduct is reported to the College, resulting in suspension or other sanctions, with sanctions communicated with the student through the UI email address.
CLAS Final Examination Policies
The final exam schedule for each semester is announced around the fifth week of classes; students are responsible for knowing the date, time, and place of a final exam. Students should not make travel plans until knowing this final exam information. No exams of any kind are allowed the week before finals. ([https://clas.uiowa.edu/faculty/teaching-policies-resources-examination-policies](https://clas.uiowa.edu/faculty/teaching-policies-resources-examination-policies).)

Making a Complaint
Students with a complaint should first visit with the instructor or course supervisor and then with the departmental executive officer (DEO), also known as the Chair. Students may then bring the concern to CLAS ([https://clas.uiowa.edu/students/handbook/student-rights-responsibilities](https://clas.uiowa.edu/students/handbook/student-rights-responsibilities)).

Understanding Sexual Harassment
Sexual harassment subverts the mission of the University and threatens the well-being of students, faculty, and staff. All members of the UI community must uphold the UI mission and contribute to a safe environment that enhances learning. Incidents of sexual harassment must be reported immediately. For assistance, definitions, and the full University policy, see [https://osmrc.uiowa.edu/](https://osmrc.uiowa.edu/).