

Business Statistics

AP/ADMS 2320 Section U Winter 2025 (Online)

Course Information

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Office Hours & Location: **See Page 2**

Course Time & Days: VIRTUAL
Class Location: **Asynchronous**
Course site: eClass

Tutorials or Labs

Tutorial session will be provided by the TA in pre-recorded PowerPoint format for those that cannot attend on-campus tutorial sessions. Please see virtual tutorial schedule on course website. Online students will also have access to on-campus tutorials if you can attend. Both tutorial schedules will be posted on the course website.

Land Acknowledgment

York University recognizes that many Indigenous Nations have longstanding relationships with the territories upon which York University campuses are located that precede the establishment of York University. York University acknowledges its presence on the traditional territory of many Indigenous Nations. The area known as Tkaronto has been care taken by the Anishinabek Nation, the Haudenosaunee Confederacy, and the Huron-Wendat. It is now home to many First Nation, Inuit, and Métis communities. We acknowledge the current treaty holders, the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation. This territory is subject of the Dish with One Spoon Wampum Belt Covenant, an agreement to peaceably share and care for the Great Lakes region ([LA&PS Land Acknowledgement](#)).

Course Overview

Course Description

An integrated approach to analyzing business problems from various functional areas. Practical business problems are analyzed using quantitative techniques including probability, statistical inference, estimation and regression as well as non-parametric approaches. Prerequisites: AP/ADMS 1000 3.00; one 12U mathematics course or equivalent. Course credit exclusion: AP/ECON 2500 3.00. PRIOR TO FALL 2009:

Prerequisites: AK/ADMS 1000 3.00; one 12U mathematics course or equivalent.
Course credit exclusions: AK/ADMS 2320 3.00, AK/ADMS 3320 3.00 (prior to Summer 2005), AK/ECON 3470 3.00.

Course Learning Objectives

By the end of this course, students will be able to:

- Effectively utilize a series of quantitative techniques in real world scenarios
- Provide strategic direction using analytics and problem-solving skills
- Be proficient in displaying quantitative outcomes both visually and numerically
- Gain an in-depth understanding of basic, intermediate, and advanced statistical methods

Course Format and Organization

This course is delivered asynchronously. Pre-recorded PowerPoints will be made available that will cover the material much like the in-class environment. Students are expected to review lecture material each week and practice questions from the textbook.

Technical Requirements

Students are required to have access to Microsoft Excel, PowerPoint and a non-programmable calculator. **Students must also have a stable Internet connection, or you should not be taking the course.**

Course Communication Plan and Office Hours

Communication in the course will occur through announcements and postings on the course website.

1. Please ensure you read all documentation on the course website.
2. It will be your responsibility to regularly check online posts and your email.

Office Hours: Please send your questions via email. All questions will be answered within 24 to 48 hours' time with the exception of weekends. Please note that emails from public email providers such as Gmail and Hotmail might be caught in spam. It is best to use your York email account for this course.

There are no live/scheduled Zoom classes for this course. All material will be made available so you can view them at the most convenient time for your schedule.

General Course Policy

- 1. WARNING: Distribution or uploading of course content is STRICTLY PROHIBITIVE. All material is copywrite protected.**
- 2. You are NOT allowed to take pictures or record (audio or video) any content of the lecture.**
3. Please ensure you read all documentation on the course website.
4. The entire course, including the lectures, participation/discussion and test/exam-taking (may have a dedicated testing site), will take place on the course website/online.
 - a. the recordings should be used for educational purposes only and as a means for enhancing accessibility.
 - b. students **do not** have permission to duplicate, copy and/or distribute the recordings outside of the class (these acts can violate not only copyright laws but also FIPPA).
 - c. all recordings will be deleted after the end of classes.
5. It will be your responsibility to regularly check online posts and your email.

Course Evaluation

Assessment	Due Date	Weight %	Course Learning Outcome
Term Test 1 - ONLINE	See Course Schedule	30%	Assessment of knowledge pertaining to specific lectures.
Term Test 2 - ONLINE	See Course Schedule	30%	Assessment of knowledge pertaining to specific lectures.
Final Exam - ONLINE	See Course Schedule	40%	Assessment of knowledge pertaining to specific lectures.
		100%	

Assessment Descriptions

1. The two Term Tests and the Final Examination will be held online at the same time for all students.
2. Information concerning the Term Tests and Final Exams will be posted on the course website.

3. The two Term Tests and the Final Examination will be **closed book exams**. An 8.5 x 11 reference sheet is permitted for each test. This is of your own construction and can include whatever you see fit for the tests. **For Term Test 1 and 2, you are permitted a one-sided reference sheet. For the Final Exam, you are permitted a 2-sided reference sheet.**
4. The two Term Tests and the Final Examination are to be finished by students individually. Students may not receive assistance or coaching from other individuals or entities while writing any test or the exam. All work must be done manually. Use of computer aid or excel is not permitted. Students found engaging in these practices will be subject to an academic dishonesty case.
5. For the Term Tests and Final Exam, you will need to upload your solutions on the eClass testing site by scanning or taking a photo of your work as required for each question. (Note: When the allotted time is over, eClass will automatically submit whatever work/files you have uploaded. You do not have to send an email to your professor asking to check whether your work/files have been uploaded. It is your responsibility to ensure they are uploaded properly within the time provided. Such email inquiries will not be answered). **eClass will not allow uploads in the last minute of the exam.** All files must be uploaded before the last minute. **WE DO NOT ACCEPT SOLUTIONS VIA EMAIL UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCE.**
6. Both Term Tests and the Final Examination may consist of multiple-choice questions and/or worded questions.
7. If a Term Test is missed, the weight of one, and only one, missed Term Test (30%) will be **automatically (no documents such as doctor notes needed)** transferred to a cumulative Final Examination. If both Term Tests are missed, the cumulative Final Examination will only weigh 65%.
8. The Final Examination will be **comprehensive** if **any one** of the two Term Tests is missed. That is, if a student misses one or two Term Tests, he/she will be writing a Final Examination that includes material from the entire semester.
9. **There are no alternative exam dates for Term Tests.**
10. If students miss the Final Examination and must defer the exam, **the deferred exam will be a cumulative examination.**
11. The Final Examination grades will not be posted by the instructor. Instead, students should check their overall grades from the York official website under their personal accounts some time after the Final Examination.
12. Online tests will be marked online, and the results will be posted on eClass or another grade site.
13. After getting your mark on a test, if you are not satisfied then you can request your professor to re-appraise the test. However, note that the whole test, not just the part under question, will be re-assessed. Three outcomes are possible, your mark

might stay the same; increase; or decrease. This must be requested within 5 days of grades being posted.

14. Accommodations must be provided within the first 2 weeks of class. Any conflicts with tests in the course must be provided to the course director 2 weeks prior to the test.

15. Please note that once you access the test online, it must count, and is the same as signing into an exam room. **There are no exceptions.**

Missed Tests and Exams

See above.

Grading

The grading scheme for this course conforms to the 9-point system used in undergraduate programs at York University. For a full description of the York grading system, visit the York University [Academic Calendar](#).

GRADE	GRADE POINT	PERCENT RANGE	DESCRIPTION
A+	9	90-100	Exceptional
A	8	80-89	Excellent
B+	7	75-79	Very Good
B	6	70-74	Good
C+	5	65-69	Competent
C	4	60-64	Fairly Competent
D+	3	55-59	Passing
D	2	50-54	Marginally Passing
E	1	(marginally below 50%)	Marginally Failing
F	0	(below 50%)	Failing

Drop Deadline

The last date to drop the course without receiving a final grade is November 8th, 2024.

Final Exam Period

The scheduled exam period for the Summer (SE) term is December 5-20, 2024.

Course Schedule: Weekly Readings and Activities

Required Course Materials

- Textbook: KELLER, G., STATISTICS FOR MANAGEMENT AND ECONOMICS, 11th ed., Cengage Learning Pub ((c) 2018). Earlier editions are NOT SUPPORTED due to errors and different coverage. eBook: \$76.95. Hardcopy: \$193.95.

Course Schedule **Virtual day is for your planning purposes only. You can view the digital (Audio recorded) lectures at ANY time during the week as your schedule permits.*

Lecture	Date	Topics	Readings
1	Jan 6	Introduction Graphical Descriptive Techniques 1 & 2	Ch 1 Ch 2 & 3
2	Jan 13	Numeric Descriptive Measures	Ch 4
3	Jan 20	Probability	Ch 6
4	Jan 27	Random Variables & Discrete Probability Distributions	Ch 7
5	Feb 3	Continuous Probability Distributions and Data Collection	Ch 8 Ch 5
Sunday Feb 9th		TERM TEST 1 (1.5 hours) – 2:00pm to 3:30pm Coverage: Chapters 1, 2, 3, 4, 6 Location: ONLINE	
6	Feb 10	Sampling Distributions and Introduction to Estimation	Ch 9 Ch 10
	Feb 17	READING WEEK	
7	Feb 24	Introduction to Hypothesis Testing	Ch 11
8	Mar 3	Inference About a Population	Ch 12
Sunday Mar 9th		TERM TEST 2 (1.5 hours) – 2:00pm to 3:30pm Coverage: Chapters 5, 7, 8, 9, 10 Location: ONLINE	
9	Mar 10	Inference About Comparing Two Populations	Ch 13
10	Mar 17	ANOVA Chi-Squared Tests	Ch 14 (parts) Ch 15 (parts)
11	Mar 24	Simple Linear Regression (computer only) Multiple Regression	Ch 16 (parts) Ch 17 (parts)
		Common Final Examination (Date and time to be announced on registrar/university website)	Covers: Chapters 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16 and 17

Omitted Sections and Coverage

API/ADMS2320	COURSE CONTENT
Chapters 1 – 3	No omissions
Chapter 4	Omit: Least Squares Method: p. 114 (Cover in Ch 16) Coefficient of determination: p.120 (Cover in Ch 16) 4.5 Applications in Finance: Market Model: p. 125
Chapter 5	No omissions
Chapter 6	No omissions
Chapter 7	Omit: 7.2 Bivariate Distributions: p.209 7.3 Applications in Finance: p.218 7.5 Poisson Distribution: p. 232
Chapter 8	Omit: 8.3 Exponential Distribution: p. 268 8.4 Other Continuous Distributions: p 273
Chapter 9	Omit: 9.2a (Optional) Normal Approximation to the Binomial 9.2b Omitting the Correction Factor for Continuity
Chapter 10	Omit: 10.2c (Optional) Estimating the Population Mean Using the Sample Median
Chapter 11	Omit: Probability of a Type II Error Calculation – Concept and theory still to be covered
Chapter 12	Omit: 12.3g Wilson Estimators: p. 406 12.4 Applications in Marketing: p. 412
Chapter 13	No omissions
Chapter 14	Responsible for Section 14.1 only: p. 518-525
Chapter 15	Responsible for Section 15.1 - 15.3 only.
Chapter 16	Responsible for computer method ONLY Omit: 16.6 Regression Diagnostics I: p. 670
Chapter 17	Omit 17.3 and 17.4 - Regression Diagnostics II and III

Course Policies

All students are expected to familiarize themselves with the following information:

- [Common University and Course Policies](#) (deferred exams, 20% rule, etc)
- [Student Rights & Responsibilities](#)
- [Academic Accommodation for Students with Disabilities](#)
- [University and School Policies](#)

Please also review the following course policies:

Generative Artificial Intelligence Usage Policy

Students are not permitted to use generative artificial intelligence (AI) in this course. Submitting any work created (in whole or part) through the use of generative AI tools will be considered a violation of York University's [Senate Policy on Academic Conduct](#). Using AI apps such as ChatGPT, GPT-3, DALL-E, translation software among others to complete academic work **without your instructor's knowledge or permission**, is considered to be a breach of academic honesty. For more information, please review [AI Technology & Academic Integrity: Information for Students](#).

Deferred Standing

Deferred standing may be granted to students who are unable to write their FINAL examination at the scheduled time (due to illness or other extenuating circumstances) or who are unable to submit their outstanding course work by the end of the term.

Deferred standing requests for ADMS and DEMS courses should follow the [procedure and registration](#) outlined on the School's online registration system. The system will issue a ticket number.

Requests should be emailed to the main office of the School of Administrative Studies (apsas@yorku.ca) no later than seven (7) days from date of the final exam (or from the last date to submit term course work, for any request to defer a component other than the final exam). Requests should include your **ticket number** as issued by the online registration system, a completed **Deferred Standing Agreement form** (DSA) and relevant supporting documentation. *Note: As communicated on March 13, 2020, Senate Executive has waived until further notice the requirement for students to submit an Attending Physician's Statement in support of a request for deferred standing or petitions.*

Requests will be considered on their merit and decisions will be made on a case-by-case basis. Decisions will be made available on the online portal. No individualized communication will be sent by the School to students (no letter or e-mails).

To be clear, deferred exams in this course will be cumulative exams and will occur on campus.

Academic Integrity

Academic integrity is a fundamental and important value of York University. To maintain a fair and honest learning environment, you are responsible for understanding and upholding academic integrity in all courses and academic activities. You are encouraged to connect with reliable [on-campus resources](#) that support your coursework and academic honesty. To better understand the serious consequences of breaching academic honesty policies, familiarize yourself with the [Senate Policy on Academic Conduct](#). You can learn more about upholding academic integrity in your courses by exploring [Guiding Principles for LA&PS](#) and [Academic Integrity for Students](#).

Accessibility

York University is committed to creating a learning environment which provides equal opportunity to all members of its community. If you anticipate or experience any barriers to learning in this course, please discuss your concerns with your instructor as early as possible. For students with disabilities, contact [Student Accessibility Services](#) to coordinate academic accommodations and services. Accommodations will be communicated to Course Directors through a Letter of Accommodation (LOA). Accommodations for tests/exams normally require three (3) weeks (or 21 days) before the scheduled test/exam to arrange.

Religious Observance Accommodation

York University is committed to respecting the religious beliefs and practices of all members of the community, and making reasonable and appropriate [accommodations to adherents for observances of special significance](#). Should any of the dates specified in this syllabus for course examinations, tests, or deadlines conflict with a date of religious significance, please contact the instructor within the first three (3) weeks of class. If the date falls within the formal examination periods, you must complete and submit a [Religious Accommodation for Examination Form](#) at least three (3) weeks before the start of the exam period.

Intellectual Property

Course materials are designed for use as part of this particular course at York University and are the intellectual property of the instructor unless otherwise stated. Third-party copyrighted materials (such as book chapters, journal articles, music, videos, etc.) have either been licensed for use in this course or fall under an exception or limitation in Canadian copyright law. Students may not publish, post on an Internet

site, sell, or otherwise distribute any course materials or work without the instructor's express permission. Course materials should only be used by students enrolled in this course.

Copying this material for distribution (e.g., uploading material to a commercial third-party website) may lead to a charge of misconduct according to York's [Code of Student Rights and Responsibilities](#), the [Senate Policy on Academic Honesty](#), and/or legal consequences for copyright violations.

Student Conduct in the Learning Environment

York University is committed to fostering teaching and learning environments that are free of disruptive and/or harassing behaviour, are physically safe, and conducive to effective teaching and learning. Students and instructors are expected to maintain a professional relationship characterized by courtesy, civility, and mutual respect and to refrain from actions disruptive to such a relationship. Individuals who fail to adhere to such standards and who violate University or public law may be subject to disciplinary action by the University.

For more information, see the policies on [Disruptive and/or Harassing Behaviour in Academic Situations](#), the [Student Conduct and Responsibilities](#), and the [Code of Student Rights & Responsibilities](#).

Netiquette for eClass and Online Learning

Students and instructors have a joint responsibility to create and maintain a welcoming and inclusive learning environment. All students are expected to conduct themselves in accordance with the [Code of Student Rights and Responsibilities](#). Please review and familiarize yourself with behaviours that support "netiquette" in virtual classrooms by consulting the [Guide to Netiquette](#) and [Student Guide to eLearning](#).

Student Notice of Recording for Online Teaching and Learning

Activities for this may course involve recording, in partial fulfillment of the course learning outcomes. Images, audio, text/chat messaging that have been recorded may be used and/or made available by the University to students enrolled in the course and those supporting the course for the purpose of materials review, for assessment, etc. Recordings will be managed according to the University's Common Record Schedule and will be securely destroyed when no longer needed by the University. Your personal information is protected in accordance with York University's [Guidelines on Access of Information and Protection of Privacy](#) and the [Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act](#). Access to online materials, including recordings or live meetings, is

subject to York University's [Senate Policy on Computing and Information Technology Facilities](#).

The University will use reasonable means to protect the security and confidentiality of the recorded information, but cannot provide a guarantee of such due to factors beyond the University's control, such as recordings being forwarded, copied, intercepted, circulated, disclosed, or stored without the University's knowledge or permission, or the introduction of malware into computer system which could potentially damage or disrupt the computer, networks, and security settings. The University is not responsible for connectivity/technical difficulties or loss of data associated with your hardware, software, or Internet connection.

By engaging in course activities that involve recording, you are consenting to the use of your appearance, image, text/chat messaging, and voice and/or likeness in the manner and under the conditions specified herein. In the case of a live stream recording, if you choose not to have your image or audio recorded, you may disable the audio and video functionality. If you choose to participate using a pseudonym instead of your real name, you must disclose the pseudonym to your instructor in advance to facilitate class participation.

You are not permitted to disclose the link to/URL of an event or an event session recording or copies of recording to anyone, for any reason. Recordings are available only to authorized individuals who have been directly provided the above instructions/link for their use. Recordings for personal use, required to facilitate your learning and preparation of personal course/lecture notes, may not be shared with others without the permission of the instructor or event coordinator, and may not be published, posted, linked to, or otherwise made available online, including on social media feeds, even if those feeds are private.

Health and Safety

All York students and instructors share responsibility for the safety and well-being of the community while on York's campuses. Please continue to check [YUBetter Together](#) for the latest information on health and safety.

Student Support and Resources

To help you succeed academically, York University offers a wide range of resources and services. Everything from writing workshops and peer mentorship to wellness support and career guidance is available to fulfill our LA&PS students' needs. Explore the links below to access these on-campus resources:

- [Academic Advising](#) is available to provide students support and guidance in making academic decisions and goals.
- [Student Accessibility Services](#) are available for support and accessibility accommodation when required.
- [Student Counselling, Health & Wellbeing](#) offers workshops, resources, and counselling to support your academic success.
- [Peer-Assisted Study Sessions \(PASS\) Program](#) provides student study sessions for students to collaborate and enhance their understanding of course content in certain courses.
- [Student Numeracy Assistance Centre at Keele \(SNACK\)](#) supports students in courses involving math, stats, and Excel.
- [The Writing Centre](#) provides multiple avenues of writing-based support including drop-in sessions, one-to-one appointments, a Multilingual Studio, and an Accessibility Specialist.
- [ESL Open Learning Centre \(OLC\)](#) supports students with building proficiency in reading, writing, and speaking English.
- [Learning Skills Services](#) provides tips for time management, effective study and learning habits, keeping up with coursework, and other learning-related supports.
- [Learning Commons](#) provides links to supports for time management, writing, study skills, preparing for exams, and other learning-related resources.
- [Roadmap to Student Success](#) provides students with timely and targeted resources to help them achieve academic, personal, and professional success.
- [Office of Student Community Relations \(OSCR\)](#) is responsible for administering the [Code of Student Rights & Responsibilities](#) and provides critical incident support.
- [goSAFE](#) is staffed by York students and can accompany York community members to and from any on-campus location, such as the Village Shuttle pick-up hub, parking lots, bus stops, or residences.

For a full list of academic, wellness, and campus resources visit [Student Support & Resources](#).