Statistics 430: Probability

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Textbook: A First Course in Probability by S. Ross. 8th or 9th Edition, Prentice Hall. The course covers Chapters 1 to 8. Additional topics will be covered in class.

Homework: You are expected to always be reviewing your notes from the previous lectures and thinking about the examples that were covered in class. I will also assign suggested problems from the text.

Exams: There will be exams on Tuesday February 7 and Thursday March 23. Both will take place from 6:00PM to 8:00PM. Rooms will be announced later. If you have a class scheduled at either of these times you must inform me before February 1. I will try to give you the exam either right before or after your other class.

Grade Allocation: For grades in the A and B ranges, I will assign grades based on

- Two midterm Exams 60% each worth 30%
- Final Exam 40%

If your initial grade based on the above evaluation falls below a B-, I will compute grades based on

- Your first midterm 50%
- Final Exam 50%

and

- Your second midterm 50%
- Final Exam 50%

I will then assign you the best of the three grades with a maximum grade of C+.