

# Bossier Parish Community College

## Master Syllabus

**Course Prefix & Number:** MATH 218

**Credit Hours:** 3-3-0

**Course Title:** Elementary Statistics

**Course Prerequisites:** A grade of “C” or higher in MATH 117 and MATH 217.

**Textbook(s):** BPCC Custom Manipulative Kit, ISBN: 9780321854094

Billstein, Libeskind and Lott. A Problem Solving Approach to Mathematics for Elementary School Teachers, 12<sup>th</sup> edition, Pearson, 2015. ISBN: 9780321990594

**Course Description:** This course is designed for elementary education majors. The emphasis of the course is statistics, and probability. Topics include: collecting a set of data, methods of organizing data, the center of data; the variability of data; standardized scores; sampling; abuses of statistics; probability; theoretical vs. experimental probability; conditional probability; counting techniques; geometric probability; simulations in probability; and normal distribution.

### Learning Outcomes:

At the end of this course, the student will:

- A. understand the concept of probability;
- B. understand the concept of odds, and counting principles;
- C. understand descriptive statistics; and
- D. determine the measures of central tendency and variation and recognize potential abuses of statistics;

To achieve the learning outcomes, the student will or will be able to:

(The letter designations at the end of each statement refer to the learning outcome(s).)

1. express understanding of basic terminology related to data collection and analysis; (A)
2. apply the definition of probability of an event; (A)
3. apply properties of probability; (A)
4. determine if events are mutually exclusive; (A)
5. find the complement of an event; (A)
6. find the probability of non-mutually exclusive events; (A)
7. draw a tree diagram for an experiment; (A)
8. find the probability of multistage experiments; (A)
9. apply the multiplication rule for probabilities; (A)
10. determine if events are independent; (A)
11. solve applications using probabilities; (A)
12. find the geometric probability of an event; (A)
13. use a simulation to determine a probability; (A)
14. apply the definition of odds; (B)
15. compute the odds given a probability; (B)
16. compute the probability given the odds; (B)
17. calculate conditional probabilities; (B)
18. calculate the expected value of an event; (B)
19. define factorial; (B)
20. use factorials to compute the number of outcomes; (B)
21. recognize combinations/permutations; (B)
22. count the number of outcomes using permutations; (B)

23. count the number of outcomes using combinations; (B)
24. apply counting principles; (B)
25. express understanding of basic terminology related to data collection and analysis; (C)
26. display/interpret data in a pictograph; (C)
27. display/interpret data in a dot plot; (C)
28. display/interpret data in a stem and leaf plot; (C)
29. display/interpret data in a frequency table; (C)
30. display/interpret data in a histogram; (C)
31. display/interpret data in a bar graph; (C)
32. display/interpret data in a pie chart; (C)
33. display/interpret data in a line graph; (C)
34. determine if there is a correlation between two values; (C)
35. recognize positive and negative association between two values; (C)
36. choose the best method to display a data set; (C)
37. calculate the arithmetic mean of a data set; (D)
38. calculate the median of a data set; (D)
39. calculate the mode of a data set; (D)
40. choose the most appropriate measure of central tendency; (D)
41. calculate the range of a data set; (D)
42. find the five-number summary of a data set; (D)
43. calculate the interquartile range of a data set; (D)
44. display/interpret data in a box-and-whisker plot; (D)
45. calculate outliers of a data set; (D)
46. calculate the variance of a data set; (D)
47. calculate the standard deviation of a data set; (D)
48. compare data sets; (D)
49. analyze normal distributions; (D)
50. calculate percentiles; (D)
51. recognize biased questions; (D)
52. recognize random samples; (D) and
53. recognize distorted/misleading graphs; (D)

**Course Requirements:** All students are required to take a final exam.

**Course Grading Scale:**

- 90 – 100 = A
- 80 – 89 = B
- 70 – 79 = C
- 60 – 69 = D
- 0 – 59 = F

**Attendance Policy:** The college attendance policy is available at <http://www.bpcc.edu/catalog/current/academicpolicies.html>

**Course Fees:** This course is accompanied with an additional non-refundable fee for supplemental materials, laboratory supplies, software licenses, certification exams and/or clinical fees.

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