**Economics 3818-010** Fall 2010

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### **Recitations:**

011	4:00-4:50	M	ECON 16
012	5:00-5:50	M	ECON 16
013	5:00-5:50	W	ECON 16

Class Website: All course materials will be posted on WEBCT/CU Learn.

## **Course Description:**

Economics 3818 provides an introduction to statistics with emphasis on both theory and applications. We will study basic statistical concepts and techniques, and introduce their applications to a variety of practical problems. We will utilize Microsoft Excel for the data analysis in this course. Excel is available in all campus computer labs, including the lab in the basement of the Economics building.

**Text:** *The Basic Practice of Statistics*, (4th edition) by David S. Moore.

# **Prerequisites:**

Economics 1000, or 2010 and 2020; and either Economics 1078 and 1088 or equivalent math courses.

#### **Assessment:**

The grade for this course will be calculated as follows:

- 1. Class participation (10 pts).
- 2. Two midterms (20 pts each).
- 3. Final (25 pts).
- 4. Homework (20 pts).
- 5. Recitation (5 pts).

#### **Policies:**

### **Class Participation**

A student can miss two classes without excuse. After that, one point will be deducted for each missed class.

#### Homework

Problem sets will be posted on the course website a week before the due date. Problem sets MUST be submitted to me at the beginning of Friday's classes. Late homework will NOT be accepted. Two of your worst homework scores will be dropped.

### **Exams**

There will be no makeup exams. A student who misses a midterm due to an excused absence will have the additional weight shifted to the final.

### **Disability Message**

If you qualify for accommodations because of a disability, please submit to me a letter from Disability Services in a timely manner so that your needs may be addressed. Disability Services determines accommodations based on documented disabilities. Contact: 303–492–8671, Willard 322, and <a href="https://www.colorado.edu/disabilityservices">www.colorado.edu/disabilityservices</a>.

## **Religious Observance**

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