STAT 801=830 Overview

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Purposes of These Notes

- Outline the contents of this course
- Establish the grading structure
- Outline expectations
- Discuss coverage in text



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- Office hours: Charlene makes me post them but there is no known way to make me keep them.
- You are free to drop in whenever I am there with the door open.



The Text

- Text: All of Statistics by Larry Wasserman.
- **Coverage**: Chapters 1 through 12 illustrated by items in as many of the remaining chapters as possible. We start at chapter 6; the material on probability in chapters 1 through 5 is either review or will be covered as we need it in the rest of the course.



Assignments

- There will be about 6.
- The first is due next Tuesday, 14 September.
- They have computing components, writing components and the usual mathematical components.
- They are not undergraduate assignments where a string of equations with no words constitutes an adequate answer.
- You need words and explanation of what you are doing.



Grading

- The assignments are worth 50% of your final grade.
- You are free to talk to each other about them but if I think you are copying each other I will be livid.
- The midterms are worth 10% each and there is a final exam worth 30%.
- The midterms are October 11 and November 8.
- Exams are open book.



Other

- October 8 is Thanksgiving Day and there are no classes.
- Web: I try to put lecture notes on the web in advance.
- I recommend you bring them along to class to add to if you are the sort who likes to take notes.
- I will not be using the lecture notes in class, however. I will write on transparencies in spite of my appalling handwriting.
- You should also feel free to look at other courses I have offered



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Detailed Course Outline

 This outline will grow as the term goes on, I hope. This is a new course for me though you will see that I have borrowed material from the old STAT 801 course.

