

Math 4653: Elementary Probability

Syllabus: Spring 2007

Class Times and Location: 4:40 pm – 6:35 pm TTh, VinH 313.

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Office Hours: TTh, 2:30 pm – 3:20 pm, or by appointment

Textbook: Jim Pitman, *Probability*, Springer, 1993.

Homeworks: There will be 7 homeworks due at the beginning of class on Tuesdays,

Jan 30, Feb 13, Feb 27, March 20, April 3, April 17, and May 1.

Late homework will receive less than full credit, and possibly zero credit.

Midterm Exams: on Thursdays,

February 15 and April 12, during class time.

Final Exam:

Tuesday, May 8, 4:40 pm – 6:40 pm, VinH 313.

Exam Format: Open book, open notes, calculators are permitted.

Grading: *Homeworks* - 20% of the total grade for 6 (out of 7) best ones,
Midterm Exams - 20% for each one, *Final Exam* - 40%.

Missed exams: Make-up Final exams will be given to students who have a **valid** reason for missing an exam. Such students must notify their instructor prior to the exam, and the reason must be documented. There will be **no make-up Midterm exams**. A proportional part of the score for the Final exam will be used instead for students who have a valid documented reason for missing a Midterm exam.

Incompletes: The grade of **I** can be assigned only to students who have taken and passed one Midterm Exams and who have a **valid** excuse for being unable to take the Final Exam.