

**Course Syllabus**  
020STAGS2 Probability and Statistics

1. **Course number and name:** 020STAGS2 Probability and Statistics.
2. **Credits and contact hours:** 4 credits, 2x1:35 course hours.
3. **Instructor's or course coordinator's name:** Rafic FADDOUL
4. **Textbook and other supplemental material:**
  - a. Lecture notes;
  - b. Assignment handouts.
5. **Specific course information**
  - a. **Catalog description:** Modeling – equiprobability – counting – conditional probability – statistical independence – discrete and continuous random variables – probability distributions – cumulative distributions – joint probability distributions – marginal distributions – Expected value – variance – common probability distributions – generating functions – variable transformations – convergence – central limit theorem – Gaussian vectors – simulation – descriptive statistics – sampling – estimation – statistical hypotheses testing.
  - b. **Prerequisites:** High-school level elementary calculus and counting concepts.
  - c. **Required/Elective/Selected Elective:** Required major course for Civil engineering students.
6. **Specific goals for the course**
  - a. **Specific outcomes of instruction:**
    - Uncertainty modeling using probability distributions;
    - Optimize decision making under uncertainty;
    - Estimating the parameters of a population;
    - Statistical hypotheses testing.
  - b. **KPIs addressed by the course:**

KPI	a1	b1	b3	k1
Covered	X	X	X	X
Assessed	X		X	X
Give Feedback	X		X	X

7. **Brief list of topics to be covered and approximate number of lectures:**

Nbr Hours	Content
4	Discrete and continuous random variables – Probability distributions - Cumulative distributions
4	Joint probability distributions – mariginal distributions
4	Moments – Expected value - Variance
6	Common probability distributions
4	Moment Generating Functions - Transformations of Variables
2	Descriptive statistics
4	Sampling - Estimation
4	Hypothesis Testing

## References

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Philippe Tassi, (1992) *Méthodes statistiques*, 2<sup>nd</sup> edition : Economica

Robert W. Keener, (2010). *Theoretical Statistics. Topics for a Core Course*: Springer

Hogg, McKean, Graig (2005). *Introduction to Mathematical Statistics*, 6<sup>th</sup> edition: Pearson Prentice Hall

WalPole, Meyers, Meyers, (1998). *Probability and Statistics*, 6<sup>th</sup> edition : Prentice Hall

Donald G. Childers (1997). *Probability and Random Processes* : McGraw-Hill