# BOSTON COLLEGE <br> Department of Economics 

EC 151.09 \& . 10 - Spring 1997
Statistics
Required Text: Anderson, Sweeney and Williams, Introduction to Statistics. Course Requirements :

2 mid-term exams (February 13 \& April 3) - $50 \%$
Final exam (May 8, 9:00 am) - $35 \%$
Quizzes - 15 \%
Office: Carney 33A, X 8703
Office hours : 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Tuesday \& Thursday
This course is intended to give you a basic understanding of probability and statistics. I will teach new material at the beginning of each class (about one hour). On Tuesdays we will solve problems on what we have covered that day. I will assign you problems from the book at the end of the class. On Thursdays we will have a quiz at the end of the class which may include material covered that day. You may use your class notes and textbook in the exams and quizzes. I will disregard your worst quiz. You will have a total of 9 (or 10) quizzes and your grade will be based on the best 8 (or 9 ). If you are going to miss a quiz or be absent from classes, I need to know in advance. You will need a calculator for this class.

## SYLLABUS

I. Basic Probability and Statistics
A. Descriptive Statistics

Chs 2\&3
B. Probability

Ch 4
C. Discrete Probability Distributions

Ch 5
D. Continuous Probability Distributions

Ch 6
II. Hypothesis Testing
A. Sampling

Ch. 7
B. Inferences About a Population Mean

Ch 8
C. Inferences About a Population Proportion

Ch 9
D. Inferences About Two Random Variables

Ch 10
E. Inferences About Population Variances

Ch 11

