BOSTON COLLEGE Department of Economics

EC 151.09 & .10 - Spring 1997 Statistics

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<u>Required Text</u>: Anderson, Sweeney and Williams, <u>Introduction to Statistics</u>. <u>Course Requirements</u> :

2 mid-term exams (February 13 & April 3)	- 50 %
Final exam (May 8, 9:00 am)	- 35 %
Quizzes	- 15 %

<u>Office</u>: Carney 33A, X 8703 <u>Office hours</u> : 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