

# Course at a Glance

## Plan

The Course at a Glance provides a useful visual organization of the AP Statistics curricular components, including:

- Sequence of units, along with approximate weighting and suggested pacing. Please note, pacing is based on 45-minute class periods, meeting five days each week for a full academic year.
- Progression of topics within each unit
- Spiraling of the big ideas and course skills across units

## Teach

### SKILL CATEGORIES

*Skill categories spiral throughout the course.*

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| <b>1</b> Selecting Statistical Methods | <b>3</b> Using Probability and Simulation |
| <b>2</b> Data Analysis                 | <b>4</b> Statistical Argumentation        |

**+** Indicates 3 or more skills for a given topic. See the individual topic for all the relevant skills.

### BIG IDEAS

*Big ideas spiral across topics and units.*

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|---------------------------------------|---|
| <b>VAR</b> Variation and Distribution | <b>DAT</b> Data-Based Predictions, Decisions, and Conclusions |
| <b>UNC</b> Patterns and Uncertainty   |   |

## Assess

Assign the Personal Progress Checks—either as homework or in class—for each unit. Each Personal Progress Check contains formative multiple-choice and free-response questions. The feedback from the Personal Progress Checks shows students the areas where they need to focus.

**UNIT**  
**1**

## Exploring One-Variable Data

**~14–16** Class Periods

**15–23%** AP Exam Weighting

|     |   |   |
|-----|---|---|
| VAR | 1 | <b>1.1</b> Introducing Statistics: What Can We Learn from Data?   |
| VAR | 2 | <b>1.2</b> The Language of Variation: Variables                   |
| UNC | 2 | <b>1.3</b> Representing a Categorical Variable with Tables        |
| UNC | 2 | <b>1.4</b> Representing a Categorical Variable with Graphs        |
| UNC | 2 | <b>1.5</b> Representing a Quantitative Variable with Graphs       |
| UNC | 2 | <b>1.6</b> Describing the Distribution of a Quantitative Variable |
| UNC | 2 | <b>1.7</b> Summary Statistics for a Quantitative Variable         |
| UNC | 2 | <b>1.8</b> Graphical Representations of Summary Statistics        |
| UNC | 2 | <b>1.9</b> Comparing Distributions of a Quantitative Variable     |
| VAR | 2 | <b>1.10</b> The Normal Distribution                               |

### Personal Progress Check 1

**Multiple-choice:** ~35 questions  
**Free-response:** 2 questions

- Exploring Data
- Exploring Data

**UNIT**  
**2**

## Exploring Two-Variable Data

**~10–11** Class Periods

**5–7%** AP Exam Weighting

|     |   |   |
|-----|---|---|
| VAR | 1 | <b>2.1</b> Introducing Statistics: Are Variables Related?                   |
| UNC | 2 | <b>2.2</b> Representing Two Categorical Variables                           |
| UNC | 2 | <b>2.3</b> Statistics for Two Categorical Variables                         |
| UNC | 2 | <b>2.4</b> Representing the Relationship Between Two Quantitative Variables |
| DAT | 2 | <b>2.5</b> Correlation  |
| DAT | 2 | <b>2.6</b> Linear Regression Models   |
| DAT | 2 | <b>2.7</b> Residuals  |
| DAT | 2 | <b>2.8</b> Least Squares Regression   |
| DAT | 2 | <b>2.9</b> Analyzing Departures from Linearity                              |

### Personal Progress Check 2

**Multiple-choice:** ~35 questions  
**Free-response:** 2 questions

- Exploring Data
- Investigative Task

## UNIT 3

### Collecting Data

~9–10 Class Periods | 12–15% AP Exam Weighting

|               |  |
|---------------|--|
| VAR<br>1      | 3.1 Introducing Statistics: Do the Data We Collected Tell the Truth? |
| DAT<br>1<br>4 | 3.2 Introduction to Planning a Study                                 |
| DAT<br>1      | 3.3 Random Sampling and Data Collection                              |
| DAT<br>1      | 3.4 Potential Problems with Sampling                                 |
| VAR<br>1      | 3.5 Introduction to Experimental Design                              |
| VAR<br>1      | 3.6 Selecting an Experimental Design                                 |
| VAR<br>4      | 3.7 Inference and Experiments  |

#### Personal Progress Check 3

Multiple-choice: ~20 questions

Free-response: 2 questions

- Exploring Data and Collecting Data
- Collecting Data

## UNIT 4

### Probability, Random Variables, and Probability Distributions

~18–20 Class Periods | 10–20% AP Exam Weighting

|               |  |
|---------------|--|
| VAR<br>1      | 4.1 Introducing Statistics: Random and Non-Random Patterns?        |
| UNC<br>3      | 4.2 Estimating Probabilities Using Simulation                      |
| VAR<br>3<br>4 | 4.3 Introduction to Probability                                    |
| VAR<br>4      | 4.4 Mutually Exclusive Events                                      |
| VAR<br>3      | 4.5 Conditional Probability  |
| VAR<br>3      | 4.6 Independent Events and Unions of Events                        |
| VAR<br>2<br>4 | 4.7 Introduction to Random Variables and Probability Distributions |
| VAR<br>3<br>4 | 4.8 Mean and Standard Deviation of Random Variables                |
| VAR<br>3      | 4.9 Combining Random Variables                                     |
| UNC<br>3      | 4.10 Introduction to the Binomial Distribution                     |
| UNC<br>3<br>4 | 4.11 Parameters for a Binomial Distribution                        |
| UNC<br>3<br>4 | 4.12 The Geometric Distribution                                    |

#### Personal Progress Check 4

Multiple-choice: ~45 questions

Free-response: 2 questions

- Probability
- Investigative Task

## UNIT 5

### Sampling Distributions

~10–12 Class Periods | 7–12% AP Exam Weighting

|               |  |
|---------------|--|
| VAR<br>1      | 5.1 Introducing Statistics: Why Is My Sample Not Like Yours?     |
| VAR<br>3      | 5.2 The Normal Distribution, Revisited                           |
| UNC<br>3      | 5.3 The Central Limit Theorem                                    |
| UNC<br>4<br>3 | 5.4 Biased and Unbiased Point Estimates                          |
| VAR<br>3<br>4 | 5.5 Sampling Distributions for Sample Proportions                |
| UNC<br>3<br>4 | 5.6 Sampling Distributions for Differences in Sample Proportions |
| UNC<br>3<br>4 | 5.7 Sampling Distributions for Sample Means                      |
| UNC<br>3<br>4 | 5.8 Sampling Distributions for Differences in Sample Means       |

#### Personal Progress Check 5

Multiple-choice: ~35 questions

Free-response: 2 questions

- Probability and Sampling Distributions
- Investigative Task

**UNIT 6**

**Inference for Categorical Data: Proportions**

**~16–18** Class Periods **12–15%** AP Exam Weighting

|                             |   |
|-----------------------------|---|
| <b>VAR</b><br>1             | <b>6.1</b> Introducing Statistics: Why Be Normal?   |
| <b>UNC</b><br>+             | <b>6.2</b> Constructing a Confidence Interval for a Population Proportion                               |
| <b>UNC</b><br>4             | <b>6.3</b> Justifying a Claim Based on a Confidence Interval for a Population Proportion                |
| <b>VAR</b><br>1<br>4        | <b>6.4</b> Setting Up a Test for a Population Proportion  |
| <b>VAR</b><br>DAT<br>3<br>4 | <b>6.5</b> Interpreting <i>p</i> -Values  |
| <b>DAT</b><br>4             | <b>6.6</b> Concluding a Test for a Population Proportion  |
| <b>UNC</b><br>+             | <b>6.7</b> Potential Errors When Performing Tests   |
| <b>UNC</b><br>+             | <b>6.8</b> Confidence Intervals for the Difference of Two Proportions                                   |
| <b>UNC</b><br>4             | <b>6.9</b> Justifying a Claim Based on a Confidence Interval for a Difference of Population Proportions |
| <b>VAR</b><br>1<br>4        | <b>6.10</b> Setting Up a Test for the Difference of Two Population Proportions                          |
| <b>VAR</b><br>DAT<br>3<br>4 | <b>6.11</b> Carrying Out a Test for the Difference of Two Population Proportions                        |

**Personal Progress Check 6**

**Multiple-choice:** ~55 questions  
**Free-response:** 2 questions

- Inference
- Investigative Task

**UNIT 7**

**Inference for Quantitative Data: Means**

**~14–16** Class Periods **10–18%** AP Exam Weighting

|                             |  |
|-----------------------------|--|
| <b>VAR</b><br>1             | <b>7.1</b> Introducing Statistics: Should I Worry About Error?                                 |
| <b>VAR</b><br>UNC<br>+      | <b>7.2</b> Constructing a Confidence Interval for a Population Mean                            |
| <b>UNC</b><br>4             | <b>7.3</b> Justifying a Claim About a Population Mean Based on a Confidence Interval           |
| <b>VAR</b><br>1<br>4        | <b>7.4</b> Setting Up a Test for a Population Mean   |
| <b>VAR</b><br>DAT<br>3<br>4 | <b>7.5</b> Carrying Out a Test for a Population Mean   |
| <b>UNC</b><br>+             | <b>7.6</b> Confidence Intervals for the Difference of Two Means                                |
| <b>UNC</b><br>4             | <b>7.7</b> Justifying a Claim About the Difference of Two Means Based on a Confidence Interval |
| <b>VAR</b><br>1<br>4        | <b>7.8</b> Setting Up a Test for the Difference of Two Population Means                        |
| <b>VAR</b><br>DAT<br>3<br>4 | <b>7.9</b> Carrying Out a Test for the Difference of Two Population Means                      |
|                             | <b>7.10</b> Skills Focus: Selecting, Implementing, and Communicating Inference Procedures      |

**Personal Progress Check 7**

**Multiple-choice:** ~50 questions  
**Free-response:** 2 questions

- Inference and Collecting Data
- Investigative Task

**UNIT 8**

**Inference for Categorical Data: Chi-Square**

**~10–11** Class Periods **2–5%** AP Exam Weighting

|                             |  |
|-----------------------------|--|
| <b>VAR</b><br>1             | <b>8.1</b> Introducing Statistics: Are My Results Unexpected?                              |
| <b>VAR</b><br>+             | <b>8.2</b> Setting Up a Chi-Square Goodness of Fit Test                                    |
| <b>VAR</b><br>DAT<br>3<br>4 | <b>8.3</b> Carrying Out a Chi-Square Test for Goodness of Fit                              |
| <b>VAR</b><br>3             | <b>8.4</b> Expected Counts in Two-Way Tables   |
| <b>VAR</b><br>1<br>4        | <b>8.5</b> Setting Up a Chi-Square Test for Homogeneity or Independence                    |
| <b>VAR</b><br>DAT<br>3<br>4 | <b>8.6</b> Carrying Out a Chi-Square Test for Homogeneity or Independence                  |
|                             | <b>8.7</b> Skills Focus: Selecting an Appropriate Inference Procedure for Categorical Data |

**Personal Progress Check 8**

**Multiple-choice:** ~30 questions  
**Free-response:** 2 questions

- Inference
- Inference and Exploring Data/Collecting Data

**UNIT**  
**9**

**Inference for  
Quantitative  
Data: Slopes**

**~7-8** Class  
Periods

**2-5%** AP Exam  
Weighting

|                                    |   |
|------------------------------------|---|
| <b>VAR</b><br>1                    | <b>9.1</b> <b>Introducing Statistics:<br/>Do Those Points Align?</b>  |
| <b>UNC</b><br>+                    | <b>9.2</b> <b>Confidence Intervals<br/>for the Slope of a<br/>Regression Model</b>  |
| <b>UNC</b><br>4                    | <b>9.3</b> <b>Justifying a Claim<br/>About the Slope<br/>of a Regression<br/>Model Based on a<br/>Confidence Interval</b> |
| <b>VAR</b><br>1<br>4               | <b>9.4</b> <b>Setting Up a Test<br/>for the Slope of a<br/>Regression Model</b>   |
| <b>VAR</b><br><b>DAT</b><br>3<br>4 | <b>9.5</b> <b>Carrying Out a Test<br/>for the Slope of a<br/>Regression Model</b>   |
|                                    | <b>9.6</b> <b>Skills Focus: Selecting<br/>an Appropriate<br/>Inference Procedure</b>                                      |

**Personal Progress Check 9**

**Multiple-choice: ~25 questions**

**Free-response: 1 question**

- Inference and Exploring Data