Professor Rob Wassmer's Recommendations for Statistics and Microeconomics Review Before Fall Start in Sac State MPPA Program

Statistics

An introductory college-level course in basic statistics is *no longer a required* prerequisite for admission into the MPPA Program, but a familiarity in basic statistics is still *strongly recommended*. To gain this background without taking a college course (or to refresh the memory of those who took such a course a while back), I recommend the following reading and course offered free through edX on the internet. In the past, the reading has also been mandatory for PPA 207.

(Reading)

Naked Statistics, (2011), Charles Wheelan, Norton Press; purchase at Amazon (about \$12)

http://www.amazon.com/exec/obidos/asin/039334777X/robwassmershomep.

(Internet Course)

https://www.edx.org/course/essential-statistics-data-analysis-using-microsoft-dat222x.

Microconomics

An introductory college-level course in microeconomics (with a B or better grade) is a *required* prerequisite for admission into the MPPA Program. If you have not taken this course within the last six months, I recommend as a refresher the following readings and course offered free through coursers on the internet.

(Reading)

The Economics Companion, 2011, Graham Mallard, Palgrave Macmillan Publishing, available for purchase at Amazon (used about \$12) https://www.amazon.com/exec/obidos/asin/0230235697/robwassmershomep.

(Internet Courses)

https://www.coursera.org/learn/microeconomics or

https://www.coursera.org/learn/principles-of-microeconomics.

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