

**Boston University, College of Engineering**  
**ENG ME 510: Production Systems Analysis**

**Course Information: Fall 2024**

**Meeting Details:**

Monday and Wednesday 6:30 pm - 8:15 pm  
CAS B18 and remote sites

**Instructor:**

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**Course Website:**

Blackboard Learn

**Office Hours:**

Wednesday 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm (email me to confirm) and by appointment

**Textbook:**

Nahmias and Olsen, **Production and Operations Analytics** (8<sup>th</sup> ed.), Waveland Press, 2021

**Problem Sets:**

Problem sets will be 40% of course grade. Assigned approximately weekly.

**Exams:**

Midterm worth 25% of course grade. Midterm date to be determined.  
Final worth 25% of course grade. Final date to be determined.

**Attendance and Participation:**

Attendance/Participation in class will be 10% of course grade.

**Distance Learning Program (DLP) Students:**

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**Course Topics: Fall 2024**

- Deterministic and stochastic inventory models: Economic Order Quantity (**EOQ**), Economic Lot-Sizing Problem (**ELSP**), Dynamic lot-size models, (s,Q), (s,S), and other stochastic models
- Demand forecasting: average, moving average, exponential smoothing, other methods
- Aggregate Production Planning (**PP**) and Master Production Scheduling (**MPS**): linear programming models
- Material Requirements Planning (**MRP**) and production control methods: MRP and MRP-II, Kanban, and Just-in-Time (**JIT**)
- Supply chain management: Enterprise Resource Planning (**ERP**), inventory balancing
- Analysis of throughput, production lead time, and Work-in-Process (**WIP**): Kingman's equation, **CONWIP**, mean value analysis
- Scheduling: classical/static scheduling theory (single and multiple machines, flow shops, and job shops); neoclassical scheduling theory (scheduling of human resources); project scheduling (**PERT/CPM**)

**Reference Texts:**

- "Production: Planning, Control, and Integration," Sipper and Bulfin, Jr., McGraw-Hill, 1997.
- "Production & Inventory Management," 2nd ed., Fogarty, Blackstone, and Hoffman, South Western, 1991.
- "Production and Inventory Management," Hax and Candea, Prentice-Hall, 1984.
- "Manufacturing Planning and Control Systems," Vollman, Berry, and Whybark, Richard D. Irwin, Inc., 1984.
- "Performance Modeling of Automated Manufacturing Systems," Viswanadham and Narahari, Prentice-Hall, 1992.
- "Introduction to Sequencing and Scheduling," Baker, Wiley, 1974.
- "Sequencing and Scheduling," French, Wiley, 1982.