

Course Syllabus for STA 4210 Regression Analysis Fall 2011, Section 9631

Class: MWF in Fine Arts Building room 0105

Time: 2nd Period, 8:30-9:20AM

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The objectives of this course are to investigate the purposes, methods and applications of regression. Emphasis is on what to apply and why it works. This course includes a chapter devoted to regression on time series data and forecasting based on the fitted model. Our goal is to make students functional in the use of the important scientific tool of regression. Computer work in this class involves applying procedures written in the R programming language.

Textbook: “Applied Linear Models” 5th Edition, by M. Kutner, C. Nachtsheim, J. Neter and W. Li (2005) McGraw-Hill.

Course Structure: The course will cover chapters 1-12 in the text and selected topics from chapters 13-14. Daily assignments will be given at the beginning of class and posted on the class website. These will include reading, homework exercises and focal points for that day’s lecture.

Quizzes and Exams: Quizzes will be announced, frequent and short. They measure mastery of focal questions. The lowest 2 quiz scores will be dropped and the percent received out of the remaining will be applied to 40 points. There are NO MAKEUP QUIZZES for any reason. The final exam will be comprehensive. Coverage lists will be issued for all exams.

Homework: Homework exercises will be assigned in daily assignments. Selected problems will be collected and graded periodically during the term. The percent of homework points (+10% forgiveness) achieved will be applied to 40 points for the homework grade. Homework is due during the class period on the days it is to be collected. NO LATE HOMEWORK will be accepted for any reason.

Project: The project will be conducted by two (or three) person teams. Students will collect their own data and analyze it using regression. A one page (or less) project proposal is due on Monday, October 31. The completed project is due Monday, November 21. Each team member must participate in every aspect (data collection, data analysis, written report) of the project. Projects will be graded, but not returned.

Grading:

Exam 1 (Friday, Sept 30, tentative)	100 points
Exam 2 (Wednesday, Nov 09, tentative)	100 points
Final Exam (Thursday, Dec 15, 10:00 AM - Noon)	100 points
Homework	40 points
Quizzes	40 points
Project (due Nov 21)	<u>20 points</u>
	400 points

Grading Scale:

Grade boundaries will be no higher than,

A = 400 – 370	A– = 369 – 360	B+ = 359 – 350	B = 349 – 330	B– = 329 – 320
C+ = 319 – 300	C = 299 – 280	C– = 279 – 270	D = 269 – 235	E = 234 – 0

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