

THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY
Department of Statistics
SYLLABUS

Course: STAT 2183W.10 (CRN 61839): Statistical Computer Packages

Semester: Fall 2021

Class Time: Tuesday and Thursday, 2:20-3:35 p.m. EST

Office Hours: Thursday, 3:45-4:45 p.m. EST or by appointment.

Location: DUQUES 259

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Course Description

The purpose of this course is to teach the methodology and the skills needed to use the statistical packages SAS and R to analyze data from experiments or surveys. The student is expected to be familiar with the concepts of confidence intervals, hypothesis testing and the central limit theorem. In addition to presenting information on statistical packages, this course will present many new statistical techniques on an applied level. Topics to be covered include:

A) Parametric Inference

- 1) Review: one-sample z and t tests
- 2) Review: two-sample z and t tests
- 3) Categorical data analysis
- 4) Analysis of variance (one-way and two way)
- 5) Tests of independence and goodness of fit tests
- 6) One, two-sample test for the variance
- 7) Regression and correlation (simple and multiple)
- 8) Analysis of covariance

B) Nonparametric Inference

- 1) Permutation tests
- 2) One-sample sign and Wilcoxon tests
- 3) Two-sample Wilcoxon test for location
- 4) Kruskal-Wallis test
- 5) Friedman test

Principal component analysis will be covered if time permits.

Bulletin Course Description: Application of program packages (e.g., SAS, R) to the solution of one-, two- and k-sample parametric and nonparametric statistical problems. Basic concepts in data preparation, modification, analysis and interpretation of results. Includes a significant engagement in writing as a form of critical inquiry and scholarly expression to satisfy the WID requirement.

Class Policies: Late work will not be accepted. Except for emergencies with proper documentation, there will be no make-up exams.

Exams: Exams are closed notes but open book.

Blackboard

I will upload all handouts, examples, project descriptions, old exams, etc. on the Blackboard. I will also record each lecture so that you can access it later.

I am available to answer questions during class, after class, during my office hours, by email, and by appointment. If you feel you do not understand a concept or are falling behind, let me know as soon as possible and ask for help.

Prerequisites

An introductory statistics course: Stat 1051, Stat 1053, Stat 1111, or equivalent.

Recommended Text

Author	Title	Edition
Ott and Longnecker	An Introduction to Statistical Methods and Data Analysis	6th

Software

R: To download it, go to: <https://www.r-project.org/>

It is also recommended to download R-Studio:

<https://www.rstudio.com/products/rstudio/download/>

SAS: To get your own copy of SAS, go to the following site for instructions:

<https://itl.gwu.edu/sas-software-distribution>

Alternatively, if you have a Mac, or are unable to download the full version of SAS then you can use SAS University Edition: http://www.sas.com/en_us/software/university-edition.html

Student Blackboard Support: GW Information Technology Support Center:Phone:

Monday - Friday, 7:00am - 10:00pm*, 202-994-4948, option 2

Email: ithelp@gwu.edu

[Submit a Support Ticket](#)

Learning Outcomes:

As a result of completing this course, students will be able to:

1. Perform all of the relevant tests from the topics covered, and determine which test is appropriate for any given data set.
2. Perform all of the tests using SAS and R.
3. Write quality statistical reports, detailing the statistical analysis and conclusions.

Average minimum amount of independent, out-of-class, learning expected per week:

Over 15 weeks, students will spend 2.5 hours (150 minutes) per week in lecture.

Homework assignments and other out-of-class work is estimated at around 5 hours per week (75 hours for the semester) and includes a 2-hour final exam for which approximately 10 hours of review is assumed.

Grading

- Assignments (40%)
- Midterm Exam (30%)
- Final Exam (30%)

Fall Semester 2021

Classes Begin	Monday, August 30, 2021
Labor Day (no classes)	Monday, September 6, 2021
Fall Break/Reading Day (no classes)	Friday, October 22, 2021
Thanksgiving Break (no classes)	Wednesday, Nov. 24 – Sat., Nov. 27, 2021
Designated Friday	Tuesday, December 7, 2021
Last Day of Classes Saturday,	December 11, 2021
Make-Up Day	Monday, December 13, 2021
Final Examinations	Tuesday, Dec. 14, 2021 – Wed., Dec. 22, 2021

Projects: The programming language that you must use (SAS or R) is stated on each project. Your first attempt of each project is due 10 days after it is first discussed in class. You will receive comments on your approach and write-up. You should use these comments to revise your solution. The hard deadline for each project is given in the course calendar. Your project score is 20 points for the first attempt and 80 points for the second attempt.

Tentative Class Schedule

Date	Topic(s) covered	Activity
Week 1: Aug 31, Sep 2	Review: Confidence Intervals and Hypothesis testing	Sections 5.2, 5.4, 5.6, 5.7
Week 2: Sep 7, 9	Introduction to SAS and R Discuss P-1	Class Notes
Week 3: Sep 14, 16	One Sample Inference: t-test and sign test	Sections 5.7, 5.9
Week 4: Sep 21, 23	Comparing Two Sample Independent Samples: t-test and Wilcoxon Rank Sum test	Sections 6.2, 6.3
Week 5: Sep 28, 30	Comparing Two Paired Samples: Paired t-test and Wilcoxon Signed Rank Test Discuss P-2	Sections 6.4, 6.5
Week 6: Oct 5, 7	Inferences about Population Variances, Categorical Data Analysis: Chi-Square tests	P-1 Due (Oct 5) Sections 7.1-7.3 Sections 10.2-10.5
Week 7: Oct 12, 14	One Way ANOVA: Completely Randomized and Randomized Block Designs	Sections 8.1, 8.2, 8.4, 8.6, parts of Chapter 9 Sections 15.2, 15.5
Week 8: Oct 19, 21	Factorial Experiments: Two-Way ANOVA Discuss P-3 Review for midterm exam	Chapter 14
Week 9: Oct 26, 28	ANOVA October 28: Midterm	P2- Due (Oct 26) Chapter 14
Week 10: Nov 2, 4	Simple Linear Regression	Chapter 11
Week 11: Nov 9, 11	Simple Linear Regression Discuss P-4	Chapter 11
Week 12: Nov. 16, 18	Multiple Linear Regression	P-3 Due (Nov 16) Chapter 12, 13
Week 13: Nov. 23, 30	Multiple Linear Regression	Chapter 12, 13
Week 14: Dec. 2, 9	Multiple Linear Regression Review for Final Exam	P-4 Due (Dec 9) Chapter 12, 13
FINAL EXAM	At set by	https://registrar.gwu.edu/final-exam-schedule
NOTE: In accordance with university policy, the final exam will be given during the final exam period and not the last week of the semester		

University Policies

Use of Electronic Course Materials and Class Recordings

Students are encouraged to use electronic course materials, including recorded class sessions, for private personal use in connection with their academic program of study. Electronic course materials and recorded class sessions should not be shared or used for non-course related purposes unless express permission has been granted by the instructor. Students who impermissibly share any electronic course materials are subject to discipline under the Student Code of Conduct. Please contact the instructor if you have questions regarding what constitutes permissible or impermissible use of electronic course materials and/or recorded class sessions. Please contact Disability Support Services at disabilitysupport.gwu.edu if you have questions or need assistance in accessing electronic course materials.

Academic Integrity Code

Academic Integrity is an integral part of the educational process, and GW takes these matters very seriously. Violations of academic integrity occur when students fail to cite research sources properly, engage in unauthorized collaboration, falsify data, and in other ways outlined in the Code of Academic Integrity. Students accused of academic integrity violations should contact the Office of Academic Integrity to learn more about their rights and options in the process. Outcomes can range from failure of assignment to expulsion from the University, including a transcript notation. The Office of Academic Integrity maintains a permanent record of the violation.

More information is available from the Office of Academic Integrity at studentconduct.gwu.edu/academic-integrity. The University's "Guide of Academic Integrity in Online Learning Environments" is available at studentconduct.gwu.edu/guide-academic-integrity-online-learning-environments. Contact information: rights@gwu.edu or 202-994-6757.

University policy on observance of religious holidays

In accordance with University policy, students should notify faculty during the first week of the semester of their intention to be absent from class on their day(s) of religious observance. For details and policy, see "Religious Holidays" at provost.gwu.edu/policies-procedures-and-guidelines

Support for students outside the classroom

Virtual academic support

A full range of academic support is offered virtually in Fall 2021. See coronavirus.gwu.edu/top-faqs for updates.

Tutoring and course review sessions are offered through Academic Commons in an online format. See academiccommons.gwu.edu/tutoring

Writing and research consultations are available online.

See academiccommons.gwu.edu/writing-research-help

Coaching, offered through the Office of Student Success, is available in a virtual format. See studentsuccess.gwu.edu/academic-program-support

Writing Center

GW's Writing Center cultivates confident writers in the University community by facilitating collaborative, critical, and inclusive conversations at all stages of the writing process. Working alongside peer mentors, writers develop strategies to write independently in academic and public settings. Appointments can be booked online. See gwu.mywconline.

Academic Commons

Academic Commons provides tutoring and other academic support resources to students in many courses. Students can schedule virtual one-on-one appointments or attend virtual drop-in sessions. Students may schedule an appointment, review the tutoring schedule, access other academic support resources, or obtain assistance at academiccommons.gwu.edu.

Disability Support Services (DSS) 202-994-8250

Any student who may need an accommodation based on the potential impact of a disability should contact Disability Support Services to establish eligibility and to coordinate reasonable accommodations. disabilitysupport.gwu.edu

Counseling and Psychological Services 202-994-5300

GW's Colonial Health Center offers counseling and psychological services, supporting mental health and personal development by collaborating directly with students to overcome challenges and difficulties that may interfere with academic, emotional, and personal success.

healthcenter.gwu.edu/counseling-and-psychological-services

Safety and Security

- In an emergency: call GWPD 202-994-6111 or 911

- For situation-specific actions: review the Emergency Response Handbook at safety.gwu.edu/emergency-response-handbook

- In an active violence situation: Get Out, Hide Out, or Take Out. See go.gwu.edu/shooterpret

Stay informed: safety.gwu.edu/stay-informed

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