Arizona State University
GENERAL STUDIES COURSE PROPOSAL COVER FORM

## Course information:

Copy and paste current course information from Class Search/Course Catalog.


Requested designation: (Choose One)
Note- a separate proposal is required for each designation requested

## Eligibility:

Permanent numbered courses must have completed the university's review and approval process.
For the rules governing approval of omnibus courses, contact Phyllis.Lucie@asu.edu or Lauren.Leo@asu.edu.
Submission deadlines dates are as follow:
For Fall 2015 Effective Date: October 9, 2014 For Spring 2016 Effective Date: March 19, 2015

## Areas) proposed course will serve:

A single course may be proposed for more than one core or awareness area. A course may satisfy a core area requirement and more than one awareness area requirements concurrently, but may not satisfy requirements in two core areas simultaneously, even if approved for those areas. With departmental consent, an approved General Studies course may be counted toward both the General Studies requirement and the major program of study.
Checklists for general studies designations:
Complete and attach the appropriate checklist

- Literacy and Critical Inquiry core courses (L)
- Mathematics core courses (MA)
- Computer/statistics/quantitative applications core courses (CS)
- Humanities, Arts and Design core courses (HU)
- Social-Behavioral Sciences core courses (SB)
- Natural Sciences core courses (SQ/SG)
- Cultural Diversity in the United States courses (C)
- Global Awareness courses (G)
- Historical Awareness courses (H)

A complete proposal should include:


Signed General Studies Program Course Proposal Cover Form
Criteria Checklist for the area
Course Catalog description
Course Syllabus
Copy of Table of Contents from the textbook and list of required readings/books
Respectfully request that proposals are submitted electronically with all files compiled into one PDF. If necessary, a hard copy of the proposal will be accepted.
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Department Chair/Director approval: (Required)
Chair/Director name (Typed):

## Ann McKenna

Date:


Chair/Director (Signature):

## Arizona State University Criteria Checklist for

## MATHEMATICAL STUDIES [CS]

## Rationale and Objectives

The Mathematical Studies requirement is intended to ensure that students have skill in basic mathematics, can use mathematical analysis in their chosen fields, and can understand how computers can make mathematical analysis more powerful and efficient. The Mathematical Studies requirement is completed by satisfying both the Mathematics [MA] requirement and the Computer/Statistics/Quantitative Applications [CS] requirement explained below.

The Mathematics [MA] requirement, which ensures the acquisition of essential skill in basic mathematics, requires the student to complete a course in College Mathematics, College Algebra, or Pre-calculus; or demonstrate a higher level of skill by completing a mathematics course for which a course in the above three categories is a prerequisite.

The Computer/Statistics/Quantitative Applications [CS] requirement, which ensures skill in real world problem solving and analysis, requires the student to complete a course that uses some combination of computers, statistics, and/or mathematics.* Computer usage is encouraged but not required in statistics and quantitative applications courses. At a minimum, such courses should include multiple demonstrations of how computers can be used to perform the analyses more efficiently.
*CS does not stand for computer science in this context; the "S" stands for statistics. Courses in computer science must meet the criteria stated for CS courses.

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Proposer: Please complete the following section and attach appropriate documentation.

| ASU--[CS] CRITERIA |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| A COMPUTER/STATISTICS/QUANTITATIVE APPLICATIONS [CS] COURSEMUST SATISFY ONE OF THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA: $\mathbf{1 , 2 , 0 R} 3$ |  |  |  |
| YES | NO |  | Identify Documentation Submitted |
| 1. Computer applications*: courses must satisfy both $\mathbf{a}$ and $\mathbf{b}$ : |  |  |  |
| $\nabla$ |  | a. Course involves the use of computer programming languages or software programs for quantitative analysis, algorithmic design, modeling, simulation, animation, or statistics. | Syllabus |
| b. Course requires students to analyze and implement procedures that are applicable to at least one of the following problem domains (check those applicable): |  |  |  |
|  |  | i. Spreadsheet analysis, systems analysis and design, and decision support systems. |  |
|  |  | ii. Graphic/artistic design using computers. |  |
|  |  | iii. Music design using computer software. |  |
|  |  | iv. Modeling, making extensive use of computer simulation. |  |
| V |  | v. Statistics studies stressing the use of computer software. | Syllabus |
|  | $\square$ | vi. Algorithmic design and computational thinking. |  |
| *The computer applications requirement cannot be satisfied by a course, the content of which is restricted primarily to word processing or report preparation skills, the study of the social impact of computers, or methodologies to select software packages for specific applications. Courses that emphasize the use of a computer software package are acceptable only if students are required to understand, at an appropriate level, the theoretical principles embodied in the operation of the software and are required to construct, test, and implement procedures that use the software to accomplish tasks in the applicable problem domains. Courses that involve the learning of a computer programming language are acceptable only if they also include a substantial introduction to applications to one of the listed problem domains. |  |  |  |

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| YES | NO |  | Identify <br> Documentation <br> Submitted |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 2. Statistical applications: courses must satisfy $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}$, and $\mathbf{c}$. |  |
| $\nabla$ |  | a. Course has a minimum mathematical prerequisite of College Mathematics, College Algebra, or Pre-calculus, or a course already approved as satisfying the MA requirement. | Syllabus |
|  |  | b. The course must be focused principally on developing knowledge in statistical inference and include coverage of all of the following: |  |
| V |  | i. Design of a statistical study. | Syllabus |
| $\nabla$ |  | ii. Summarization and interpretation of data. | Syllabus |
| V |  | iii. Methods of sampling. | Syllabus |
| $\nabla$ |  | iv. Standard probability models. | Syllabus |
| $\nabla$ |  | v. Statistical estimation | Syllabus |
| V |  | vi. Hypothesis testing. | Syllabus |
| $\nabla$ |  | vii. Regression or correlation analysis. | Syllabus |
| $\nabla$ |  | c. The course must include multiple demonstrations of how computers can be used to perform statistical analysis more efficiently, if use of computers to carry out the analysis is not required. | Syllabus |

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| YES | NO | 3. Quantitative applications: courses must satisfy a, b, and c:. | Identify <br> Documentation <br> Submitted |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\nabla$ | $\square$ | a.Course has a minimum mathematical prerequisite of <br> College Mathematics, College Algebra, or Pre-calculus, <br> or a course already approved as satisfying the MA <br> requirement. | Syllabus |

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| Course Prefix | Number | Title | General Studies <br> Designation |
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Explain in detail which student activities correspond to the specific designation criteria. Please use the following organizer to explain how the criteria are being met.

| Criteria (from <br> checksheet) | How course meets spirit <br> (contextualize specific <br> examples in next column) | Please provide detailed evidence of how course <br> meets criteria (i.e., where in syllabus) |
| :---: | :--- | :--- |
| 1.a, 1.v.b | Statistical and graphing <br> software is integral to the <br> course. | The schedule of topics includes a column <br> that details the software topics to be covered <br> in each week. |
| 2.a, 3.a | The prerequisites are <br> as required | Prerequisite(s) include MAT 119, <br> MAT 265 or Mat 171 with C or better |
| 2.b, 2.c | As this is a statistics class <br> all of the subtopics for <br> section b are covered, and <br> the demonstrations amply <br> satisfy section c | Again, please see the list of topics in <br> the schedule included with the sample <br> syllabus. |
| 3.b,3.c | (his course is infused with <br> other quantitative methods <br> and applications | The class includes simulation of data to <br> demonstrate a) the central limit theorem, b) <br> why decisions may be undermined in small <br> samples, and c) use of the signal detection <br> model to understand diagnostic decision making <br> including hypothesis testing inferences. |

## EGR 230: Catalog Description

Basic methods of exploratory data analysis (including graphics) and statistical computing methods, including a detailed look at hypothesis testing, effect size and power analysis, as well as some methods for dealing with categorical and discrete data. Both correlation/regression and analysis of variance (ANOVA) will be introduced, as well as common statistical software.

## Syllabus <br> Human Systems and Statistics 1

Instructor: D. Vaughn Becker
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Room Number: SANCA 151

Course: EGR 230
Days: T/Th
Time: 10:30-11:45

Office Hours: T/TH 1:00-2:00; TBA
Email: vaughn.becker@asu.edu Subject heading: EGR 230
Text:
Howell, D. C. (2012). Statistical methods for psychology (8 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ ed.). Duxbury plus Course Packet of additional readings, including first three chapters of Box, G., \& Hunter, W. (2005). Statistics for Experimenters (2 $2^{\text {nd }}$ ed). Wiley.

Prerequisite(s): PSY 101 (PGS 101) or EGR 103; MAT 119, or MAT 265 or Mat 171 with C or better

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## Course details

In this class, we'll be immersing ourselves in the basic methods of exploratory data analysis and statistical computing methods (with a lot of graphics). We will take a detailed look at hypothesis testing, effect size and power analysis, as well as some methods for dealing with categorical and discrete data. We will then explore both correlation/regression, and Analysis of Variance (ANOVA), with a heavy emphasis on using experimental designs to maximize the amount of information you can gain for your data collection efforts. The first class session will cover the reading for the week, while the second will cover more applied problems and software topics.

Software: We will use several statistical packages, which will cover the gambit of what you might encounter in the world of research and industry.

- We will use Excel to get a conceptual grip on the mechanics underlying each of the statistical methods that will be covered.
- $R$ is a free program that will allow us to explore our data graphically, as well as statistically. While the learning curve is a little steep, it is alleged that R can do pretty much anything, and it is well-documented.
- SPSS reasonably easy to use, and it may be the software package that best combines ease of use and power.


## Course Objectives

This course has several primary objectives:

1. To introduce students to the theory and methods of describing data with statistics.
2. To introduce students to the major considerations involved in the inferential statistical analysis of human-systems data.
3. To introduce students to the use of statistical software, with an emphasis on visualization graphics.
4. To teach the students to write up results statistical analyses in a clear and complete fashion.

## Learning Outcomes:

Upon completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. Understand and critically appraise the use and reporting of descriptive and inferential statistics.
2. Apply basic descriptive and inferential statistics to the analysis of human and technological systems.
3. Conduct basic descriptive and inferential statistical analyses by hand and using computer software.
4. Describe and explore data using statistical graphics.
5. Report the results of statistical analyses in the styles currently used in the relevant literature, and explain these results in ordinary language.

## Grading Requirements

Your grade in this class will be based on your performance on three types of assignments. These requirements will include weekly quizzes, homework, and 3 cumulative exams.

## Quizzes

This class will consist of weekly quizzes. These quizzes will consist of multiple choice questions and short answer questions. The quizzes will cover the reading for the week and will be administered prior to the first lecture of the week. You will have $\mathbf{1 0}$ minutes to complete each quiz.

## Homework

Homework assignments will be due each Friday at 5 PM, and should be submitted electronically.

## Exams

Each exam will be open-book, open-note, but will be timed at 1.5 hours. Exams will largely focus on worked problems and multiple choice, multiple answer questions about conceptual issues.

## Grading policy

Your grade will be based on the following weightings. 300 points
$20 \%$ the best 12 of the 15 weekly quizzes
$30 \%$ the best 12 scores of the 15 homework assignments
20\% 2 mid-term exams
$30 \% 1$ cumulative final exam
Your course grade will be assigned according to the following scale:

| Letter <br> grade | Points |
| :---: | :---: |
| A | $270-300$ |
| B | $240-269$ |
| C | $210-239$ |
| D | $180-209$ |
| F | 179 |

Standard rules of rounding will apply, so .5 and above will be rounded up to the next whole number.

## Missed Assignments

There will be no makeup assessments for this class except in specific circumstances (i.e. religious practices and university-sanctioned activities). The course has built in drop grades to cover missed assignments. If for some reason, you must miss multiple assignments make sure that you contact me before the exam.

## Academic Integrity

Students will be held to the statutes of academic integrity put forth in the "Student Code of Conduct" that can be found in the Student Handbook:
https://students.asu.edu/srr/code.
Please review the Student Academic Integrity Policy on Academic Integrity and Plagiarism at: http://www.asu.edu/aad/manuals/acd/studentacint.html

Please note that the University policies against Disruptive, Threatening, and Violent behavior will be enforced. Please review these in the Student Services Manual, SSM 104-02; http://www.asu.edu/aad/manuals/ssm/ssm104-02.html

Additionally, the use of use of pagers, cell phones, and recording devices is not permissible within the classroom without explicit consent from the instructor. Before each quiz, make sure to put away all notes and preparatory materials, turn off all pagers and cell phones, and removed all hats. Testing irregularities could be construed as cheating by the instructor.

The course content, including lectures, is copyrighted material and students may not sell notes taken during the conduct of the course (see ACD 304-06, "Commercial Note Taking Services" for more information).

## Students with Disabilities

Students registered with the Disability Resource Center (DRC) are strongly encouraged to talk to the instructor about any assistance that might be needed
for this class. I am happy to make accommodations as needed. Please submit appropriate documentation from the DRC.

## Class Schedule

We will try to keep to the schedule below. Test dates are subject to change as the semester progresses based on the needs of class and topic completion.

The information in the syllabus, other than grade and absence policies, may be subject to change with reasonable advance notice.

Class Schedule

| Week | Topic | Howell text | BHH2 | Software |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | Describing and exploring data | 1 to 24 |  | intro to R and SPSS |
| 2 | Distributions and their parameters | 28-56 | 17-27 | plots in R |
| 3 | Boxplots and the Normal dist | $\begin{gathered} \hline 57-64,74- \\ 86 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | 27-39 | more SPSS |
| 4 | Sampling distributions and Hypothesis testing | 92-112 |  | Spread sheet z test, central limit theorem simulation |
| 5 | Probability and the Binomial Distribution | 116-137 | 48-60 | discrete distributions in R, decision theory |
|  | EXAM 1 |  |  |  |
| 6 | Categorical data and Chi Square | 142-168 | $\begin{gathered} \text { 46-47, } \\ \text { 112-117 } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | Spreadsheet Chisquare |
| 7 | T-tests | $\begin{gathered} 178-213 \\ {[690-704]} \end{gathered}$ | 67-91 | Spreadsheet Ttests |
| 8 | odds ratios, binomial, McNemar, poisson inferences |  | 92-105 | all R |
| 9 | Correlation and Regression | 244-260 |  | spreadsheet CnR, SPSS |
| 10 | inferences about regression parameters | $\begin{gathered} 261-270 \\ {[273-285]} \end{gathered}$ |  | SPSS |
|  | EXAM 2 |  |  |  |
| 11 | Alternative correlation techniques, permutation | 296-314 |  | all R |
| 12 | Power | 223-237 | 105-122 |  |
| 13 | Basic ANOVA | 320-337 | 133-144 | spreadsheet ANOVA |
| 14 | ANOV A2 |  |  | R, SPSS |
| 15 | Trend analysis and Design strategy | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { [408- } \\ & 415] \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  | SPSS |
|  | EXAM 3 |  |  |  |

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