

COURSE IMPLEMENTATION DATE: January 2005  
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 COURSE TO BE REVIEWED: November 2017  
*(six years after UEC approval) (month, year)*

**OFFICIAL UNDERGRADUATE COURSE OUTLINE INFORMATION**

Students are advised to keep course outlines in personal files for future use.  
 Shaded headings are subject to change at the discretion of the department – see course syllabus available from instructor

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COURSE NAME/NUMBER	FACULTY/DEPARTMENT	UFV CREDITS
Applied Regression Analysis		
COURSE DESCRIPTIVE TITLE		

**CALENDAR DESCRIPTION:**

This is a practical course on the use and understanding of linear regression analysis. Statistical software is used throughout the course. Topics include the method of least squares, the analysis of variance table, F tests, selection of predictor variables, diagnostics, remedial measures and validation, qualitative predictor variables, the comparison of regression models, the analysis of covariance, nonparametric regression, introduction to nonlinear regression analysis, and logistic regression. Students complete at least one group project using a real data set.

PREREQUISITES: One of the following: MATH 104 with a B+ or better, MATH 106 with a B or better, MATH 270, or MATH 271.

COREQUISITES:  
 PRE or COREQUISITES:

**SYNONYMOUS COURSE(S):**

- (a) Replaces: \_\_\_\_\_  
 (b) Cross-listed with: \_\_\_\_\_  
 (c) Cannot take: **MATH 302** for further credit.

**SERVICE COURSE TO:** *(department/program)*

**TOTAL HOURS PER TERM:** 45

**STRUCTURE OF HOURS:**

Lectures: 30 Hrs  
 Seminar: \_\_\_\_\_ Hrs  
 Laboratory: 15 Hrs  
 Field experience: \_\_\_\_\_ Hrs  
 Student directed learning: \_\_\_\_\_ Hrs  
 Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_ Hrs

**TRAINING DAY-BASED INSTRUCTION:**

Length of course: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Hours per day: \_\_\_\_\_

**OTHER:**

Maximum enrolment: 36  
 Expected frequency of course offerings: Every winter  
*(every semester, annually, every other year, etc.)*

**WILL TRANSFER CREDIT BE REQUESTED? (lower-level courses only)**

Yes  No

**WILL TRANSFER CREDIT BE REQUESTED? (upper-level requested by department)**

Yes  No

**TRANSFER CREDIT EXISTS IN BCCAT TRANSFER GUIDE:**

Yes  No

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Curriculum Committee chair: Norm Taylor

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Dean/Associate VP: Ora Steyn

Date approved: November 4, 2011

Undergraduate Education Committee (UEC) approval

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**LEARNING OUTCOMES:**

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

1. use computer software to obtain and interpret printouts for linear regression and logistic regression;
2. construct an appropriate regression model when the data points are fairly near the overall mean in order to estimate future values;
3. check the validity of the assumptions of the model and apply the associated remedial measures;
4. use appropriate F tests in fitting regression models;
5. select appropriate predictor variables;
6. identify outliers, influential readings and problems with multicollinearity and apply the appropriate remedial measures;
7. define and use indicator variables in regression models;
8. interpret estimates, parameters, sequential sums of squares and interactions between predictor variables;
9. construct an appropriate regression model when the response variable is binary;
10. identify autocorrelated errors and fit regression models when errors are autocorrelated;
11. perform inverse estimation;
12. complete at least one group project which entails solving a problem by applying the techniques learned during the course to real data.

**METHODS:** *(Guest lecturers, presentations, online instruction, field trips, etc.)*

Lectures, class discussion, use of statistical software in computing labs.

**METHODS OF OBTAINING PRIOR LEARNING ASSESSMENT RECOGNITION (PLAR):**

Examination(s)                       Portfolio assessment                       Interview(s)

Other (specify): Course challenge

PLAR cannot be awarded for this course for the following reason(s):

**TEXTBOOKS, REFERENCES, MATERIALS:** *[Textbook selection varies by instructor. Examples for this course might be:]*

The textbook is chosen by a departmental curriculum committee. Recommended textbooks are:

Neter et al. Applied Linear Statistical Models. 4<sup>th</sup> edition. McGraw-Hill.

Douglas C. Montgomery et al. Introduction to Linear Regression Analysis. 3<sup>rd</sup> edition. John Wiley & Sons, Inc.

Kleinbaum et al. Applied Regression Analysis and Multivariable Methods. 3<sup>rd</sup> edition. Duxbury.

**SUPPLIES / MATERIALS:**

**STUDENT EVALUATION:** *[An example of student evaluation for this course might be:]*

Project	15%
Assignments	15%
In-class tests	30%
Final exam	40%

Students must achieve at least 40% on the final exam in order to receive credit for this course.

**COURSE CONTENT:** *[Course content varies by instructor. An example of course content might be:]*

An internationally recognized statistical software package is used throughout the course.

**1. Simple Linear Regression:**

Method of least squares, regression models with normally distributed error, inference for parameters, inference for the response function and new observations, diagnostics and remedial measures, lack of fit test, simultaneous estimation of mean responses, and simultaneous prediction intervals for new observations.

**Course content continued:**

**2. Multiple Linear Regression:**

General linear regression models, estimation of regression coefficients, fitted values and residuals, analysis of variance, inference for regression parameters, estimation of mean response and prediction of new observations, diagnostics and remedial measures, extra sums of squares and their uses, coefficient prediction of partial determination and coefficient of partial correlation, standardized multiple regression model, multicollinearity and its effects, polynomial regression models, and interaction terms in regression models.

**3. Selection of Predictor Variables:**

All possible regression procedures for variable selection, forward stepwise regression, forward selection, and backward elimination.

**4. Diagnostics:**

Identifying outlying Y observations, identifying outlying X observations, identifying influential cases (DFFITS, DFBETAS, Cook's distance), multicollinearity, and variance inflation factors.

**5. Remedial Measures and Validation:**

Remedial measures for unequal error variances (weighted least squares), remedial measures for multicollinearity (Ridge regression), remedial measures for influential cases (robust regression), remedial measures for unknown response function (nonparametric regression), and model validation.

**6. Qualitative Predictor Variables:**

Use of indicator or dummy variables to represent qualitative data, models with interaction terms, and comparison of two or more regression functions.

**7. Introduction to Non-Linear Regression:**

Least squares estimation in nonlinear regression, regression models with binary response variables, simple logistic regression functions, simple logistic regression, the maximum likelihood method, selection of predictor variables, diagnostics, inference in logistic regression, regression parameters and mean response, prediction of new observations, the odds ratio, comparison of nested models, and goodness of fit tests.

**8. Two topics in the use of regression analysis:**

Regression models with autocorrelated errors, detecting the presence of autocorrelation, parameter estimation methods when autocorrelation is present, inverse estimation, and the calibration problem.