

School of Arts & Science SOCIAL SCIENCES DEPARTMENT

GEOG 216-001 Quantitative Methods 2012F

COURSE OUTLINE

The Approved Course Description is available on the web @ ____

 Ω Please note: this outline will be electronically stored for five (5) years only. It is strongly recommended students keep this outline for your records.

1. Instructor Information

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2. Intended Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of this course the student will be able to:

- 1. Demonstrate a working knowledge of elementary statistics and elementary statistical models as applied to spatial processes.
- 2. Demonstrate an ability to handle spatial data through the application of SPSS software.

3. Required Materials

Lab Materials:

A lab manual will be available for purchase in the bookstore. In the event of changes or shortages, I will make lab materials available the class before the lab session. If you are not at lecture you are responsible for getting a copy of the lab before the lab begins.

<u>OPTIONAL</u> Textbook: Michael Haan. *An Introduction to Statistics for Canadian Social Scientists*. 2009. Toronto: Oxford University Press.

I have requested that a copy of the textbook be placed on reserve in the library for your use.

4. Course Content and Schedule

Date	Week	Lecture (Monday)	Lab (Wednesday)	Optional Reading
Sep 5	1	Labour Day - No Class	Introduction to Quantitative Methods	Chapter 1
Sep 10, 12	2	Lab 0: SPSS Tutorial Lecture: Intro to Geographic Data & Statistics	Measures of Central Tendency	Chapter 2, 3
Sep 17, 19	3	Lab 1: SPSS & Student survey Descriptive Spatial Stats		Chapter 5, 6,7
Sep 24, 26	4	Lab 2: Descriptive Spatial Stats	Probability	
Oct 1, 3	5	Lab 3: Probability	Exam 1	Chapter 4,5
Oct 8, 10	6	Thanksgiving – No Class	Sampling and Statistical Estimation	Chapter 8,9
Oct 15, 17	7	Lab 4: Statistical Estimation	Hypothesis Testing	
Oct 22, 24	8	Lab 5:Inferential Stats	Non-parametric Tests	Chapter 10
Oct 29, 31	9	Lab 6 – Non-parametric Tests	Parametric Tests	Chapters 12, 13, 15
Nov 5, 7	10	Lab 7: Difference of Means, 1 and 2 Sample tests	Exam 2	Chapter 11
Nov 12, 14	11	Remembrance Day – No Class	Correlation	
Nov 19, 21	12	Lab 8: Correlation	Linear Regression	Chapter 12
Nov 26, 28	13	Lab 9: Regression	Inferential Spatial Stats	Chapter 16
Dec 3, 5	14	Lab 10: Inferential Spatial Stats	Exam 3	Review

Course Schedule: Updated September 4, 2012 (Subject to change at the discretion of the instructor):

<u>Lectures</u>: There will be two hours of lecture per week. The lecture period will include PowerPoint slides and lecture material. Depending on the topic there may be in-class problem sessions to further expand the concepts. A calculator will be useful for the in-class problem solving.

<u>Course Website:</u> Lecture notes will be available weekly from the course website on Desire2Learn (D2L). I rely on D2L for a great deal of communication throughout the course. You should be checking our course page daily to be sure you are not missing important announcements.

<u>Labs</u>: Lab sessions are held in the Camosun general computing lab room in the Ewing building, room E112, on Mondays. All labs are computer-based. Please note that lab space in the GP labs is extremely tight and do everything you can to capitalize on our lab time together. Finding time outside of class will be difficult.

Attendance during lab periods is **<u>mandatory</u>**. In the case of illness, the instructor must be contacted **<u>prior</u>** to the class time and an alternate arrangement must be made; otherwise, a mark of zero will be assigned

You will need to bring pencil, eraser, ruler and a calculator for lab periods and for all exams.

There are ten marked labs in the course. Each lab is worth 4%. All labs are due one week from the lab period, except where noted. Labs are due at the **<u>beginning</u>** of the lab period, no exceptions!! The penalty for assignments handed in late is 10% for the first 24 hours and 10% for each day after. You will need to bring pencil, eraser, ruler and a calculator for lab periods.

Teamwork is encouraged in labs. However, do not copy from each other when handing in assignments. While you may brainstorm and work together, all assignments must be written in your own words. Any students involved in copying will be given a mark of zero for that assignment.

Examinations: There are 3 exams during the term. Exams will focus on the theoretical aspects of the course, the lectures, and applied problems as presented in lab exercises.

5. Basis of Student Assessment (Weighting)

Total	100%
Exams	60%
Lab Exercises	40%

6. Grading System

Standard Grading System (GPA)

Percentage	Grade	Description	Grade Point Equivalency
90-100	A+		9
85-89	A		8
80-84	A-		7
77-79	B+		6
73-76	В		5
70-72	B-		4
65-69	C+		3
60-64	С		2
50-59	D	Minimum level of achievement for which credit is granted; a course with a "D" grade cannot be used as a prerequisite.	1
0-49	F	Minimum level has not been achieved.	0

Temporary Grades

Temporary grades are assigned for specific circumstances and will convert to a final grade according to the grading scheme being used in the course. See Grading Policy E-1.5 at **camosun.ca** for information on conversion to final grades, and for additional information on student record and transcript notations.

Temporary Grade	Description	
I	<i>Incomplete</i> : A temporary grade assigned when the requirements of a course have not yet been completed due to hardship or extenuating circumstances, such as illness or death in the family.	
IP	<i>In progress</i> : A temporary grade assigned for courses that, due to design may require a further enrollment in the same course. No more than two IP grades will be assigned for the same course. (For these courses a final grade will be assigned to either the 3 rd course attempt or at the point of course completion.)	
cw	<i>Compulsory Withdrawal:</i> A temporary grade assigned by a Dean when an instructor, after documenting the prescriptive strategies applied and consulting with peers, deems that a student is unsafe to self or others and must be removed from the lab, practicum, worksite, or field placement.	

7. Recommended Materials or Services to Assist Students to Succeed Throughout the Course

LEARNING SUPPORT AND SERVICES FOR STUDENTS

There are a variety of services available for students to assist them throughout their learning. This information is available in the College calendar, at Student Services or the College web site at <u>camosun.ca</u>.

STUDENT CONDUCT POLICY

There is a Student Conduct Policy **which includes plagiarism**. It is the student's responsibility to become familiar with the content of this policy. The policy is available in each School Administration Office, at Student Services and on the College web site in the Policy Section.