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COMPUTER ROOMS

Monday through Thursday: 8:00am—9:00pm
Friday 8:00am—5:00pm
We are closed on Saturday and Sunday.

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1:00pm—5:00pm

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FROM THE DIRECTOR

Hi all,

Welcome back to another great Fall at the UW. CSSCR has welcomed many a new graduate student and is now ramping up support for all the classes using our facility this quarter. Classroom space is in high demand this quarter at CSSCR, so if you wish to use one of our labs in your class please contact us soon. Have a wonderful Autumn!

-- *Fred Nick*



FROM THE ARCHIVIST



NEW CDROWs/DVDs:

State Personal Income 1929-2008

Regional Economic Info System (REIS) 1969-2008

NEW ONLINE DATA

ABC News/The Washington Post Gun Poll, April 2007

ABC News Sarah Palin Poll, September 2008

Arab-Barometer: Public Opinion Survey Conducted in Algeria, Morocco, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Palestine, and Yemen, 2006-2007

After the JD -- Wave 1: A Longitudinal Study of Legal Careers in Transition Data Collection: May 2002-May 2003, United States

Campaign Finance in Local Elections: An Eleven City Study, 1989-2007 [United States]

CBS News Monthly Poll #2, March 2009

Current Population Survey, May 1980

Eurobarometer 55.1OVR: Young Europeans, April-May 2001

Eurobarometer 70.1: Globalization, European Parliament and Elections, Building Europe, Georgian Conflict, Mobility, European Union Budget, and Public Authorities in the EU, October-November 2008

Eurobarometer 71.2: European Employment and Social Policy, Discrimination, Development Aid, and Air Transport Services, May-June 2009

Eurobarometer 71.3: Globalization, Personal Values and Priorities, European Identity, Future of the European Union, Social Problems and Welfare, and European Elections, June-July, 2009

Eurobarometer 72.1: Poverty and Social Exclusion, Social Services, Climate Change, and the National Economic Situation and Statistics, August-September 2009

Eurobarometer 72.2: Nuclear Energy, Corruption, Gender Equality, Healthcare, and Civil Protection, September-October 2009

Familial Responses to Financial Instability, How the Family Responds to Economic Pressure: A Comparative Study, 2009 [United States]

Familial Responses to Financial Instability: The Financial Management Behaviors Scale, 2009 [United States]

Familial Responses to Financial Instability, Doubling Up When Times Are Tough: Obligations to Share a Home in Response to Economic Hardship, 2009 [United States]

Familial Responses to Financial Instability, "It's All Your Fault": Predictors and Implications of Blame in Couples Under Economic Strain, 2009 [United States]

Japanese General Social Survey (JGSS), 2006

Mental Health Concerns of Gay and Bisexual Men Seeking Mental Health Services, 2000 [United States]

National Election Pool General Election Exit Polls, 2008

Prime Ministerial Power in 22 Countries, 1980-2000

Voice of the People End of Year Survey, 2009

CSSCR CLASSES AUTUMN 2010

Here are the ways you can sign up for classes: Call 543-8110; stop by 110 Savery Hall during office hours; send e-mail to ascocarp@u.washington.edu, including the class you wish to take, your name and department; or sign yourself up on our Web page. <http://julius.csscr.washington.edu/>

Introduction to the Five-year American Community Survey Data

Instructor: Tina Tian
Date: Thursday, November 18
Time: 2:00PM to 3:00PM
Place: Savery 121

Dissertation Publishing Tricks

Instructor: Dixielynn Gleason
Date: Tuesday, October 19
Time: 9:30AM to 10:30AM
Place: Savery 121

Rrrrr Troubleshooting

Instructor: Kristan Seibel
Date: Thursday, October 21
Time: 9:00AM to 9:50AM
Place: Savery 117

Introduction to R Graphics

Instructor: Stephanie Lee
Date: Monday, October 25
Time: 10:00AM to 10:50AM
Place: Savery 121

SPSS

Instructor: Eric Hamilton
Date: Monday, October 25
Time: NOON to 1:00PM
Place: Savery 121

Qualitative Data Analysis Using Atlas.ti

Instructor: Allie Stanko
Date: Wednesday, November 3
Time: 4:00PM to 5:00PM
Place: Savery 121

Matlab

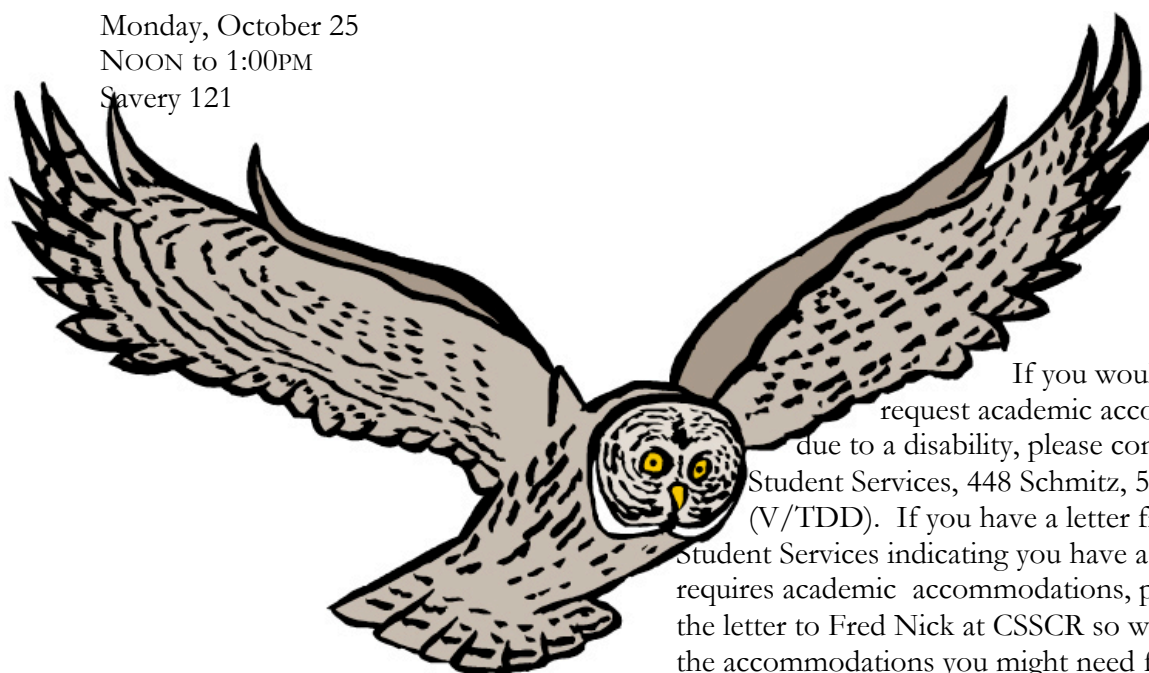
Instructor: Emily Blumenthal
Date: Wednesday, October 27
Time: NOON to 1:00PM
Place: Savery 121

Stata

Instructor: Jianguo Wang
Date: Thursday, November 4
Time: 11:00AM to NOON
Place: Savery 121

Powerpoint

Instructor: J.J. Stein
Date: Thursday, November 4
Time: 6:00PM to 7:00PM
Place: Savery 121



If you would like to request academic accommodations due to a disability, please contact Disabled Student Services, 448 Schmitz, 543-8924 (V/TDD). If you have a letter from Disabled Student Services indicating you have a disability that requires academic accommodations, please present the letter to Fred Nick at CSSCR so we may discuss the accommodations you might need for class.

CSSCR CLASSES AUTUMN 2010

CSSCR offers free, non-credit classes to UW faculty, students and staff. Computer classes are also offered by University Computing Services (543-5970), UW Extension (543-2300) and the College of Engineering Continuing Education (543-5539). To sign up for CSSCR classes, call 543-8110, or stop by 110 Savery during office hours, or use our Web page. <http://julius.csscr.washington.edu/>

Dissertation Publishing Tricks

This lecture will help you format your thesis/dissertation to conform with the UW Graduate School Style and Policy Guidelines for Theses and Dissertations.

Instructor: Dixielynn Gleason
Date: Tuesday, October 19
Time: 9:30AM to 10:30AM
Place: Savery 121

Rrrrr Troubleshooting

Are you handed R code in classes, and puzzled when R gives you error messages, or confused by what's going on? Figure out how to troubleshoot your way through R code, whether you are using someone else's code, or run into errors while writing code yourself.

Instructor: Kristan Seibel
Date: Thursday, October 21
Time: 9:00AM to 9:50AM
Place: Savery 117

Introduction to R Graphics

In this hour, we will cover scatterplots, line graphs, histograms, and boxplots and discuss how to use the more common graphical parameters.

R has an amazingly powerful and flexible graphics engine, and this class will help you get started using it!

Instructor: Stephanie Lee
Date: Monday, October 25
Time: 10:00AM to 10:50AM
Place: Savery 121

SPSS

This course will cover the basics of the SPSS package. This is an ideal course for students with no experience with this software. We will cover the structure of SPSS and how to input, manipulate, analyze and show statistical data.

Instructor: Eric Hamilton
Date: Monday, October 25
Time: NOON to 1:00PM
Place: Savery 121

Matlab

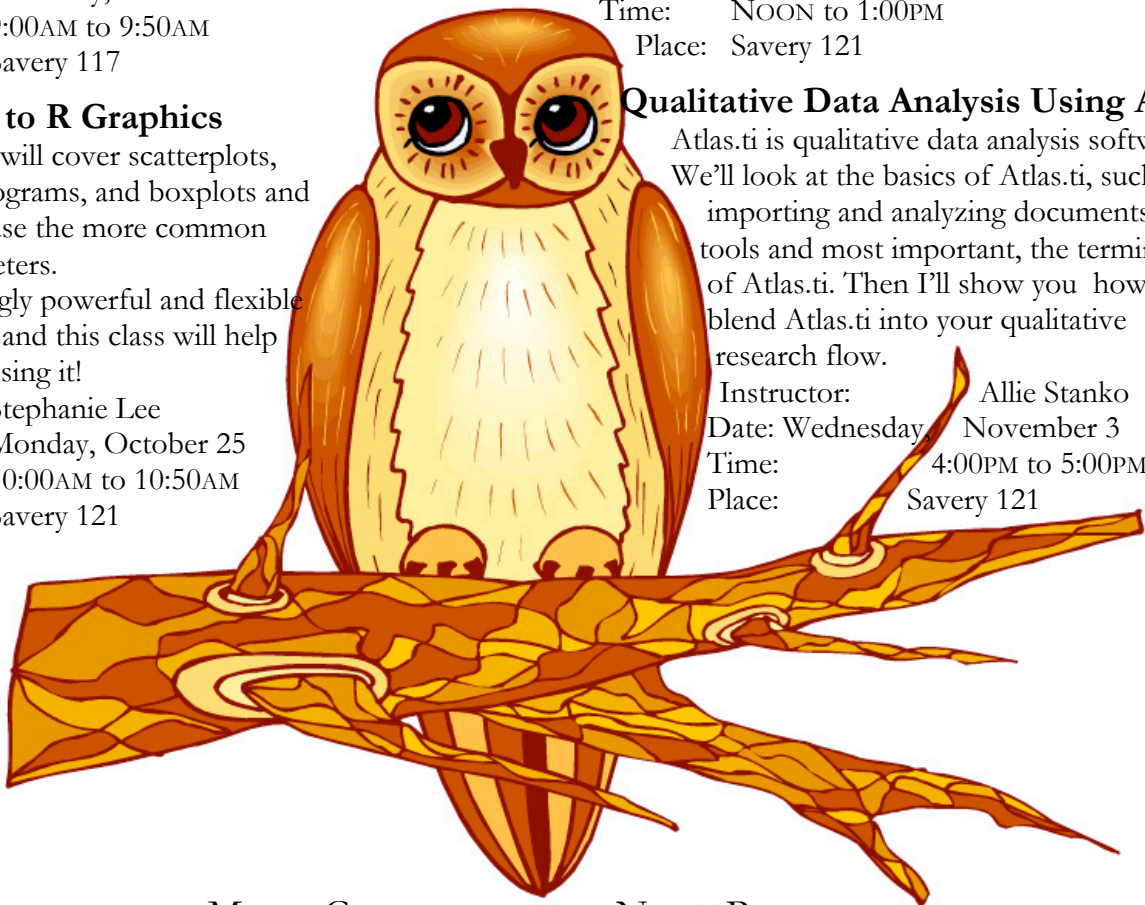
MATLAB is a high-performance language for technical computing. It integrates computation, visualization, and programming in an easy-to-use environment where problems and solutions are expressed in familiar mathematical notation.

Instructor: Emily Blumenthal
Date: Wednesday, October 27
Time: NOON to 1:00PM
Place: Savery 121

Qualitative Data Analysis Using Atlas.ti

Atlas.ti is qualitative data analysis software. We'll look at the basics of Atlas.ti, such as importing and analyzing documents, basic tools and most important, the terminology of Atlas.ti. Then I'll show you how to blend Atlas.ti into your qualitative research flow.

Instructor: Allie Stanko
Date: Wednesday, November 3
Time: 4:00PM to 5:00PM
Place: Savery 121



MORE CLASSES ON THE NEXT PAGE

CLASS DESCRIPTIONS CONTINUED FROM PREVIOUS PAGE

Introduction to Stata

This course is designed to introduce students to the basics of Stata. We will cover the minimum set of commands for using Stata. Topics discussed also include data-management, data-reporting, graphics and basic use of do-files. My goal is to guide you to be capable of using Stata independently later on.

Instructor: Jianguo Wang
Date: Thursday, November 4
Time: 11:00AM to NOON
Place: Savery 121

Powerpoint

This lecture is for beginning users who are aiming to create their first presentation. We will focus on different design features which can be used to display information and personalize the final product.

Instructor: J.J. Stein
Date: Thursday, November 4
Time: 6:00PM to 7:00PM
Place: Savery 121

Introduction to the Five-Year American Community Survey Data

The first set of five-year ACS estimates covering 2005-2009 is coming in this December & early in 2011. These will be the first new data released on the characteristics of small population areas (census tract & block group) in 10 years. This class will focus on how to use the new five-year ACS estimates, how they differ from the one-year and three-year estimates and how to compare them with the 2000 Census long form questionnaires.

Instructor: Tina Tian
Date: Thursday, November 18
Time: 2:00PM to 3:00PM
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