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Monday through Thursday: 8:00AM—9:00PM
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From the Acting Director

The cherry blossoms are a reminder that the spring quarter is here and CSSCR will be buzzing with activity. We have a very experienced team of statistical consultants staffing the drop-in consultation center in Savery 110. They are there to help you through your statistical analysis. Our publications consultant, Dixielynn, will be busy helping many graduate students as they complete their theses. Contact her early if you have formatting problems or questions. Our data archivist, Tina, can help you locate sets and extract or merge data for your research. Finally, if you have questions about CSSCR or our services, please feel free to contact me.

Darryl Holman

From the Archivist

New On-Line Data

2007-2012 5-Year American Community Survey (ACS) for WA state and US nation
1980 census STF, 1990 census STF for Seattle
Afrobarometer Round 5: The Quality of Democracy and Governance in Botswana, 2012
American College Catalog Study Database, 1975-2011
California Statewide Household Travel Survey, 2000-2001
Firm Database of Emerging Growth Initial Public Offerings (IPOs), 1990-2010
Korean General Social Survey (KGSS), 2003
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Korean General Social Survey (KGSS), 2006
National Survey of Disaster Experiences and Preparedness (NSDEP), 2007-2008
National Survey of Fishing, Hunting, and Wildlife-Associated Recreation (FHWAR), 1991
National Survey of Fishing, Hunting, and Wildlife-Associated Recreation (FHWAR), 2001
National Survey of Fishing, Hunting, and Wildlife-Associated Recreation (FHWAR), 2006
Perception and Memory Experiments Using Drug Names [2010, Canada]
States as Employers-of-Choice Survey, 2008-2009
The Use of Historical Analogies to Make Sense of Novel Events (423BC - 2012)
Violence Risk Assessment and Risk Communication, 1996-1998
Volusia County Metropolitan Planning Organization (VCMPO) Model Calibration and Home Based Travel Survey, 2001-2002
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/

Format Your Thesis The Fun & Easy Way!
Instructor: Dixielynn Gleason
Date: Monday, January 13
Time: 9:30AM to 10:30AM
Place: Savery 121

Introduction To R (RStudio)
Instructor: Colin Beam
Date: Monday, April 7
Time: NOON to 1:00PM
Place: Savery 117

Format Your Thesis The Fun and Easy Way!
Instructor: Dixielynn Gleason
Date: Tuesday, April 8
Time: 9:30AM to 10:30AM
Place: Savery 121

Introduction to EViews
Instructor: Austin Gross
Date: Tuesday, April 8
Time: 4:00PM to 5:00PM
Place: Savery 121

R Graphics
Instructor: Stephanie Lee
Date: Friday, April 11
Time: 11:00AM to NOON
Place: Savery 121

Excel for Statistics
Instructor: Joe King
Time: 4:00PM to 5:00PM
Date: Monday, April 14
Place: Savery 121

Introduction to GIS
Instructor: Will Brown
Date: Tuesday, April 15
Time: 9:30AM to 10:30AM
Place: Savery 121

Introduction to Qualitative Research using Atlas.ti
Instructor: Val Petrova
Date: Thursday, April 17
Time: 4:30PM to 5:30PM
Place: Savery 121

R as a Programming Language
Instructor: Joe King
Date: Monday, April 21
Time: 5:00pm to 6:00pm
Place: Savery 121

Introduction to Stata
Instructor: Kristan Seibel
Date: Tuesday, April 22
Time: 1:00PM to 2:00PM
Place: Savery 121

Building Academic Websites with Wordpress
Instructor: Micah Aria Vacatio
Date: Friday, May 2
Time: 8:00AM to 9:00AM
Place: Savery 121

R as a Programming Language
Instructor: Joe King
Date: Monday, April 21
Time: 5:00pm to 6:00pm
Place: Savery 121

Introduction To SPSS
Instructor: Shin Lee
Date: Friday, May 2
Time: 11:00AM to NOON
Place: Savery 121

Using American Community Survey Estimates
Instructor: Tina Tian
Date: Friday, May 9
Time: 2:00PM to 3:15PM
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 Darryl Holman at CSSCR so we may discuss the accommodations you might need for class.
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/

Introduction To R (RStudio)
This class will teach you how to get started with R using the free text editor Rstudio. The course will cover the basic organization of R and Rstudio, where to find good help references, and how to begin a basic analysis. This class is ideal for users who have little or no experience with R.
Instructor: Colin Beam
Date: Monday, April 7
Time: NOON to 1:00 PM
Place: Savery 117

Format Your Thesis The Fun and Easy Way!
This lecture will help you format your thesis/dissertation (using Microsoft Word) to conform with the UW Graduate School Style and Policy Guidelines for Theses and Dissertations.
Instructor: Dixielynn Gleason
Date: Tuesday, April 8
Time: 9:30 AM to 10:30 AM
Place: Savery 121

Introduction to EViews
EViews is a statistical package for time-series and econometric analysis. This hour, I'll introduce you to the functions of loading and manipulating data, as well as running regressions.
Instructor: Austin Gross
Date: Tuesday, April 8
Time: 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM
Place: Savery 121

R Graphics
This class provides an introduction to creating graphics in R. We will cover the popular traditional graphical functions and learn how to modify them to produce useful and interesting visualizations.
Instructor: Stephanie Lee
Date: Friday, April 11
Time: 11:00 AM to NOON
Place: Savery 121

Excel for Statistics
Exploration of Excel for use in statistics, including recoding of variables, basic descriptive statistics, basic plotting. Some previous use in spreadsheets is useful but not necessary.
Instructor: Joe King
Time: 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM
Date: Monday, April 14
Place: Savery 121

Introduction to GIS
This course will provide students with a broad overview of what geographic information systems (GISs) are and how social scientists can benefit from using them in their research. Students will explore basic GIS concepts through hands-on exercises using a widely used GIS software package, ArcGIS and freely available data sets.
Instructor: Will Brown
Date: Tuesday, April 15
Time: 9:30 AM to 10:30 AM
Place: Savery 121
Introduction to Qualitative Research using Atlas.ti
This class covers the criteria for choosing a qualitative data analysis software package and includes a hands-on demo of one of those programs: Atlas.ti 7. We will go over terminology, importing documents, coding data (text and other media types) and visual analysis. We will learn best practices for data management, how to backup and share your project file and other tips for staying organized.
Instructor: Val Petrova
Date: Thursday, April 17
Time: 4:30PM to 5:30PM
Place: Savery 121

R as a Programming Language
R is not only a statistical analysis program but a programming language. This seminar will explore some of the basic foundations of programming including functions, if statements and loops. These will be tied into examples of their use in statistics. Some knowledge of R is expected but no computer programming experience is needed.
Instructor: Joe King
Date: Monday, April 21
Time: 5:00pm to 6:00pm
Place: Savery 121

Introduction to Stata
Learn the basics of Stata so that you can understand do/log files, reading help files, and how to write code to perform data cleaning and statistical analysis. No experience in statistical programming necessary.
Instructor: Kristan Seibel
Date: Tuesday, April 22
Time: 1:00PM to 2:00PM
Place: Savery 121

Building Academic Websites with Wordpress
Wordpress is a powerful tool that can be used for everything from writing blogs to creating state-of-the-art professional websites. I'll show you how to set up a website without coding in HTML. We will go over some examples of online resumes and CV. You will learn how to enter text, images, create pages, and create your own domain.
Instructor: Micah Aria Vacatio
Date: Friday, May 2
Time: 8:00AM to 9:00AM
Place: Savery 121

Using American Community Survey Estimates
The Census Bureau’s American Community Survey (ACS) is a great source for detailed population and household characteristics, giving estimates and margins of error (MOE) for many aspects of the American population. In this class, we will explore some Excel-based templates containing several “calculators” that let users enter the published ACS estimates and MOEs from the Census Bureau to assess the precision of individual estimates, to compare pairs of estimates for their statistical differences, and to calculate the MOEs and Standard Errors (SEs) for summing/subtracting, proportion and ratios of estimates. We will also introduce the ACS Mapping extension in ArcGIS, a tool that can map/visualize ACS estimates along with their precisions, e.g. MOEs, SEs and Coefficient of Variation (CVs), and the tests of statistical significance among the estimates.
Instructor: Tina Tian
Date: Friday, May 9
Time: 2:00PM to 3:15PM
Place: Savery 121

Introduction To SPSS
This class introduces SPSS basic structure and layout. We will go over how to import, manage, and record data as well as do some descriptive statistics and simple analyses like t-test, correlation, and regression. I'll show you both GUI (drop-down menus) and Syntax usage of the SPSS package.
Instructor: Shin Lee
Date: Friday, May 2
Time: 11:00AM to NOON
Place: Savery 121