STAT270
Applied Statistics
S1 Day 2016
Dept of Statistics

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Credit points
3

Prerequisites
(STAT170(P) or STAT171(P) or STAT150(P)) and (STAT175(P) or GPA of 2.0 (out of 4.0))

Corequisites

Co-badged status
STAT680

Unit description
This unit aims to extend and broaden statistical experience from 100-level statistics units, with a focus on application to real-world analysis. It covers relationships between categorical or continuous explanatory variables and a continuous response variable using the techniques of one-way and two-way analysis of variance and simple and multiple linear regression. Data management, report writing, graphical presentation of results, and power analysis are described.

Important Academic Dates
Information about important academic dates including deadlines for withdrawing from units are available at https://students.mq.edu.au/important-dates

Learning Outcomes

1. Produce and interpret appropriate visual displays and numerical summaries
2. Understand and apply appropriate statistical methods and models to provide answers to research questions. Models include one way ANOVA, two way ANOVA, simple regression, and multiple regression.

3. Understand the assumptions underlying the models, and how they can be checked and, if invalid, how to modify the analysis.

4. Develop report writing skills.

5. Use statistical software to fit the models.

**General Assessment Information**

Note that satisfactory performance in the Final Examination is required for a Pass in the subject.

**Assessment Tasks**

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<th>Weighting</th>
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<td>Tutorial Exercises Week 3</td>
<td>4%</td>
<td>22 March</td>
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<td>Assignment 1</td>
<td>16%</td>
<td>26 April</td>
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<td>20%</td>
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**Tutorial Exercises Week 3**

Due: **22 March**

Weighting: 4%

Tutorial Exercises from Week 3.

This Assessment Task relates to the following Learning Outcomes:

- Produce and interpret appropriate visual displays and numerical summaries
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**Assignment 1**

Due: **26 April**
Weighting: 16%
Covers weeks 1-6

This Assessment Task relates to the following Learning Outcomes:
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Assignment 2
Due: 31 May
Weighting: 20%
Covers weeks 7-11

This Assessment Task relates to the following Learning Outcomes:
• Produce and interpret appropriate visual displays and numerical summaries
• Understand and apply appropriate statistical methods and models to provide answers to research questions. Models include one way ANOVA, two way ANOVA, simple regression, and multiple regression.
• Understand the assumptions underlying the models, and how they can be checked and, if invalid, how to modify the analysis.
• Develop report writing skills.
• Use statistical software to fit the models.

Final exam
Due: to be decided
Weighting: 60%

Material to be covered will be notified. Satisfactory performance is required for a pass in the subject.

This Assessment Task relates to the following Learning Outcomes:
• Produce and interpret appropriate visual displays and numerical summaries
• Understand and apply appropriate statistical methods and models to provide answers to
research questions. Models include one way ANOVA, two way ANOVA, simple regression, and multiple regression.

• Understand the assumptions underlying the models, and how they can be checked and, if invalid, how to modify the analysis.

**Delivery and Resources**

**Textbook**

There is no prescribed textbook.

**Software**

You will be expected to use R/RStudio to perform data analyses. You will use R/RStudio as part of the tutorials, and you can use the software in the E4B labs when they are not booked for classes. You can find more information on RStudio at their web site: https://www.rstudio.com/. The software is freely available to download at no cost for all standard operating systems (Windows, Mac OS and Linux) at https://www.rstudio.com/products/rstudio/download/

**Additional References**

These recommended books are available in Reserve at the library.


There are other books that are useful but not guaranteed to be available in Reserve at the library.


**Online Textbooks**

• SurfStat at http://surfstat.anu.edu.au/surfstat-home/surfstat.html is a complete introductory statistics course.
• HyperStat Online at http://davidmlane.com/hyperstat/index.html is at an intermediate level stats course covering ANOVA.
• StatSoft Electronic Textbook at http://www.statsoft.com/textbook/stathome.html is more advanced and material is covered in sections called ANOVA/MANOVA and Linear
Unit Schedule

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<th>Lectures</th>
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<td>1 (29 Feb)</td>
<td>Review One sample tests + One sided tests;</td>
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<td>2 (7 March)</td>
<td>Review two sample tests + assumptions; Report writing</td>
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<td>3 (14 March)</td>
<td>One way ANOVA</td>
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<td>4 (21 March)</td>
<td>One way ANOVA Multiple comparisons and Transformations</td>
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<td>5* (29 March)</td>
<td>Non-parametrics; Power and Sample Size</td>
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<td>6 (4 April)</td>
<td>Data collection and management; Revision</td>
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*Public Holiday Monday on 28th March and 25th April

Policies and Procedures

Macquarie University policies and procedures are accessible from Policy Central. Students should be aware of the following policies in particular with regard to Learning and Teaching:


Disruption to Studies Policy http://www.mq.edu.au/policy/docs/disruption_studies/policy.html The Disruption to Studies Policy is effective from March 3 2014 and replaces the Special Consideration Policy.

In addition, a number of other policies can be found in the Learning and Teaching Category of Policy Central.

**Student Code of Conduct**

Macquarie University students have a responsibility to be familiar with the Student Code of Conduct: [https://students.mq.edu.au/support/student_conduct/](https://students.mq.edu.au/support/student_conduct/)

**Results**

Results shown in *iLearn*, or released directly by your Unit Convenor, are not confirmed as they are subject to final approval by the University. Once approved, final results will be sent to your student email address and will be made available in [eStudent](https://_ask.mq.edu.au). For more information visit [ask.mq.edu.au](https://ask.mq.edu.au).

**Student Support**

Macquarie University provides a range of support services for students. For details, visit [http://students.mq.edu.au/support/](http://students.mq.edu.au/support/)

**Learning Skills**

Learning Skills ([mq.edu.au/learningskills](http://mq.edu.au/learningskills)) provides academic writing resources and study strategies to improve your marks and take control of your study.

- **Workshops**
- **StudyWise**
- **Academic Integrity Module for Students**
- **Ask a Learning Adviser**

**Student Enquiry Service**

For all student enquiries, visit Student Connect at [ask.mq.edu.au](https://ask.mq.edu.au)

**Equity Support**

Students with a disability are encouraged to contact the **Disability Service** who can provide appropriate help with any issues that arise during their studies.

**IT Help**

For help with University computer systems and technology, visit [http://www.mq.edu.au/about_us/](http://www.mq.edu.au/about_us/)
Graduate Capabilities

Critical, Analytical and Integrative Thinking

We want our graduates to be capable of reasoning, questioning and analysing, and to integrate and synthesise learning and knowledge from a range of sources and environments; to be able to critique constraints, assumptions and limitations; to be able to think independently and systemically in relation to scholarly activity, in the workplace, and in the world. We want them to have a level of scientific and information technology literacy.

This graduate capability is supported by:

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**Assessment tasks**

- Tutorial Exercises Week 3
- Assignment 1
- Assignment 2
- Final exam

Effective Communication

We want to develop in our students the ability to communicate and convey their views in forms effective with different audiences. We want our graduates to take with them the capability to read, listen, question, gather and evaluate information resources in a variety of formats, assess, write clearly, speak effectively, and to use visual communication and communication.
technologies as appropriate.

This graduate capability is supported by:

**Learning outcome**

- Develop report writing skills.

**Assessment tasks**

- Assignment 1
- Assignment 2

**Capable of Professional and Personal Judgement and Initiative**

We want our graduates to have emotional intelligence and sound interpersonal skills and to demonstrate discernment and common sense in their professional and personal judgement. They will exercise initiative as needed. They will be capable of risk assessment, and be able to handle ambiguity and complexity, enabling them to be adaptable in diverse and changing environments.

This graduate capability is supported by:

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**Discipline Specific Knowledge and Skills**

Our graduates will take with them the intellectual development, depth and breadth of knowledge, scholarly understanding, and specific subject content in their chosen fields to make them competent and confident in their subject or profession. They will be able to demonstrate, where relevant, professional technical competence and meet professional standards. They will be able to articulate the structure of knowledge of their discipline, be able to adapt discipline-specific
knowledge to novel situations, and be able to contribute from their discipline to inter-disciplinary solutions to problems.

This graduate capability is supported by:

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**Problem Solving and Research Capability**

Our graduates should be capable of researching; of analysing, and interpreting and assessing data and information in various forms; of drawing connections across fields of knowledge; and they should be able to relate their knowledge to complex situations at work or in the world, in order to diagnose and solve problems. We want them to have the confidence to take the initiative in doing so, within an awareness of their own limitations.

This graduate capability is supported by:

**Learning outcomes**

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Changes from Previous Offering

Statistical Software
The statistical software package to conduct analysis is no longer Minitab and the course will now use R/RStudio.