



National Institute of Technology Meghalaya

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CURRICULUM

Programme	Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.)	Year of Regulation	2019-20						
Department	Humanities and Social Sciences (HS)	Semester	I/II						
Course Code	Course Name	Credit Structure				Marks Distribution			
		L	T	P	C	INT	MID	END	Total
HS 702	Statistics and Time Series Analysis	3	0	0	3	50	50	100	200
Course Objectives	To understand the basic concepts of statistical methods in Social Science Research.	Course Outcomes	CO1	Ability to apply Statistical Methods in Social Science Research.					
	To understand the survey methodology and survey sampling techniques.		CO2	Ability to understand survey methodology and apply survey sampling in research.					
	To understand logistic regression and time series analysis.		CO3	Ability to apply logistic regression and time series analysis in Social Science Research.					
SYLLABUS									
No.	Content					Hours	COs		
I	Statistical Methods in Social Science Research: Statistical Methods in Social Science Research, Introduction to Statistical Software, Randomized Response Techniques, Content Analysis, Scaling Techniques, Data Integration Techniques, Statistical Assessment of Agreement, Meta-Analysis, Cluster and Discriminant Analysis, Principal Component Analysis, Factor Analysis, Multidimensional Scaling, Social and Occupational Mobility, Social Network Analysis					08	CO1		
II	Survey Methodology and Survey Sampling: Selecting Samples, Modes of Data Collection, Research Designs, Cross-Sectional Studies, Longitudinal Studies, Questionnaires as Tools, Reliability and Validity of Self-report Measures, Composing a Questionnaire, Guidelines for the Effective Wording of Questions, Order of Questions, Nonresponse Reduction, Interviewer Effects, Nature of Sampling, Probability Sampling, Bias in Probability Sampling, Non-probability Sampling					10	CO2		
III	Logistics Regression and Probability: Logistic function, Multiple Explanatory Variables, Model Fitting, Rule of Ten, Maximum Likelihood Estimation, Evaluating Goodness of Fit, Coefficients, Likelihood Ratio Test, Case-control Sampling, Regression Analysis, Regression Lines, Residual Analysis, Standard Error of Estimate, Develop Trend Line, Methods of Assigning Probabilities, Structure of Probability, Marginal, Union, Joint and Conditional Probabilities, Addition and Multiplication Laws, Baye's Theorem, Discrete Distributions - Binomial Distribution, Poisson Distribution, Continuous Distributions, Normal Distribution					08	CO3		
IV	Time Series Analysis: Key Concepts, Stochastic Processes, The Phenomenon of Spurious Regression, Tests of Stationarity, The Unit Root Test, Transforming Nonstationary Time Series, Cointegration, Approaches to Economic Forecasting, AR, MA, and ARIMA Modeling of Time Series Data, The Box-Jenkins (BJ) Methodology, Identification, Estimation of the ARIMA Model, Diagnostic Checking, Forecasting, Further Aspects of the BJ Methodology, Vector Autoregression (VAR), Measuring Volatility in Financial Time Series					10	CO3		
Total Hours						36			
Essential Readings:									
1. Hubert M. Blalock, "Social Statistics", McGraw-Hill, 1979.									
2. Alan Agresti and Barbara Finlay, "Statistical Methods for the Social Sciences", Prentice Hall, 3 rd Edition, 1997.									
3. S. P. Mukherjee, Bikas K. Sinha and AsisChatterjee, "Statistical Methods in Social Science Research", Springer Singapore, 2018.									
Supplementary Readings:									
1. Jeff Evans, John Irvine Ian Miles, "Demystifying Social Statistics", Pluto Press, 1 st Edition, 1979.									
2. David S. Moore and George P. McCabe, "Introduction to the Practice of Statistics", W. H. Freeman & Company, 5 th Edition, 2005.									
3. W. S. Torgerson, "Theory and Method of Scaling", Wiley, 1958.									
4. Arlene Fink and JaquelineKosecoff, "How to Conduct Surveys: A Step-by-step Guide", Sage Publications, 1998.									
5. Seymour Sudman and Norman N. Bradburn, "Asking Questions: A Practical Guide to Questionnaire Design", Jossey-Bass, 1982.									
6. William G. Cochran, "Sampling Techniques", Wiley, 3 rd Edition, 1977.									