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# Instructor: Dr. Rick Routledge

### **Prerequisite:**

STAT 302 or STAT 305 or STAT 650 or permission of instructor. Open only to graduate students in departments other than Statistics & Actuarial Science.

### **Textbook:**

*Applied Multivariate Statistical Analysis, 6<sup>th</sup> ed.* by R.A. Johnson and D.W. Wichern. Publisher: Prentice Hall.

# **Calendar Description:**

Introduction to principal components, cluster analysis, and other commonly used multivariate techniques.

# **Outline:**

- 1. Principal Components: Identification, use in multivariate regression, using *R* to perform the calculations. (~3 weeks)
- 2. Cluster Analysis: Survey of commonly used methods, computer calculations, graphical displays, and interpretation of results. (~3 weeks)
- 3. Other commonly used multivariate techniques subject to interest and expertise of the students and instructor. Examples include the following:
  - a. Ordination Techniques: Methodology and survey of common applications, computer calculations. (~2 weeks)
  - b. Discriminant Analysis: (~2 weeks)
  - c. Canonical Correlation Analysis: (~2 weeks)
- 4. Student Presentations of Substantive Applications. (~1 week)

**Note:** This course is being taught in parallel with STAT 445. Where feasible and appropriate, students in STAT 645 will be encouraged to present their research problems involving categorical data as active case studies for the class. Graduate students **will also be required to submit a more extensive project related to their specialty.** 

# **Grading Scheme:**

Assignments: 20% Project: 30% Midterm: 20% Final: 30%

# Grading is subject to change.

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