

# STAT 890

## Selected Topics: 850-Linear Models & Applications

Fall 2012  
Day Course

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**Textbook:**

*No Textbook required*

**Course Description:**

A modern approach to normal theory General Linear Models including models with random effects and “messy” data. Topics include experimental units, blocking, theory of quadratic forms, linear contrasts, analysis of covariance, heterogeneous variances, factorial treatment structures, means comparisons, missing data, random effects, mixed model formulation, estimation and inference, multi-unit designs, pseudoreplication, repeated measures.

**Course Outline:**

1. Introduction; scope of linear models.
2. General theory; least squares and Gauss-Markov theorem; normal linear models; quadratic forms.
3. Anova models; design issues; block designs; fractional factorial designs.
4. Model selection; diagnostics; algorithms; selection criteria.
5. Multicollinearity; ridge regression; robust estimation; the bootstrap.
6. Mixed linear models; generalized linear models; nonparametric regression.

**Grading Scheme:**

Assignments:	10%
Midterm 1:	25%
Midterm 2:	25%
Presentation:	20%