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College of Nursing and Health Sciences

quantitative Methods in Health Care - 3 credit hours
HLSc 3340
Fall 2014

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Course Description:

Introduction to quantitative methods applicable to health service organizations. Statistics, research methods and operations management are examined and applied to health care organizations.

Course Objectives:

1. Demonstrate a unified understanding of essential concepts in descriptive and inferential statistics.

2. Apply descriptive and inferential statistical techniques to practical problems and issues that arise in a typical health service organization.

3. Use Excel to performing calculations required for statistical techniques in health service organizations.

4. Interpret the results of statistical procedures used in health service organizations.

5. Gain an appreciation of the role of statistics in health care organizations, research and administration.

Required Text:


Learning Experiences and Teaching Methods:
Objectives for this Web-supported course are met through individual study and group assignments/presentations using the text and additional resources, statistical exercises, power point lectures, quizzes, a mid term and final exam.

Chapter power points are available for download and study in the Blackboard Classroom under Units/Lessons.


Assignments:

Individual study: Each chapter contains a series of exercises and discussion questions to be answered and posted in the Assignment Drop Box and/or Discussion Forum weekly.

Group Written Report and Class Presentation based on assigned research project will be due near the end of the course. Additionally, group Leaders will assess the contribution of individual group members to the finished report; instructor will assess presentation skills of group members.

Chapter quizzes- composed of conceptual (multiple choice questions) based on chapter readings.

Midterm exam - composed of conceptual (multiple choice questions) and a selection of exercises representative of the health problems examined.

Final exam - composed of conceptual (multiple choice questions) and a selection of exercises representative of the health problems examined.

How you earn your grade:

| Evaluation Criteria |
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| Requirement         | Percent of Grade       |
| Quizzes             | 20%                    |
| Chapter Exercises/Discussions | 30%                  |
| Group Report/Presentation | 20 %                |
| Midterm exam        | 15%                    |
| Final Exam          | 15%                    |
| Total               | 100%                   |
Grading Scale

A – 90-100
B – 83-89
C – 75-82
D – 65-74
F – below 65

Policies:

Course communication is via Blackboard. The Professor is available per Bb-mail Monday through Friday. Read Bb Announcements routinely. Turn off all cell phones during class. Class lectures are not tape recorded.

Course Assignments must be submitted in the Assignment Drop Box on due dates. One point is deducted for each day that an assignment is late.

Attendance: If you have a problem preventing you from attending class or participating as expected, e-mail me. As per the Texas A&M University Student Rules and Regulations, the student is responsible for providing evidence to the instructor to substantiate the reason for any absence. See TAMU Student Rules and Regulations (#7 – Attendance) for a complete listing of authorized absences.

Academic Advising: The College of Nursing and Health Sciences require that students meet with an Academic Advisor as soon as they are ready to declare a major. The Academic Advisor will set up a degree plan, which must be signed by the student, a faculty mentor, and the department chair. The College’s Academic Advising Center is located in Faculty Center rooms 163 & 165, and advisors are Johanna DuBose 825-3748 and Angelica Santillan 825-2461.

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Academic Honesty: University students are expected to conduct themselves in accordance with the highest standards of academic honesty. Academic misconduct for which a student is subject to a penalty includes all forms of cheating, such as illicit possession of examinations or examination materials, forgery, or plagiarism. (Plagiarism is the presentation of the work of another as
one’s own work.) Group and individual papers may be submitted to Turnitin in order to assess originality.
http://falcon.tamucc.edu/~students/JAffairs/ja_code_of_conduct_article3.htm

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