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BIOS 576C Applied Biostatistic Analysis

Catalog Description: Integrate methods in biostatistics (e.g., BIOS 576A, B) and epidemiology (e.g., EPID 573A) to develop analytical skills in a health research project setting. (3 units)

Course Topics:

- Logistic Regression
- Predictor Selection
- STROBE
- Complex Surveys
- Longitudinal Analysis

Course Objectives: During this course, students will:

- Gain practical experience in statistical analysis, including identifying the appropriate scientific question, determining the appropriate method(s) of analysis, developing an analysis plan, and performing an appropriate statistical analysis. E
- Extend basic statistical modeling approaches to address complex survey data, analyzing data from repeated measures experiments, and assessment of missing data.
- Develop effective oral and written presentations of statistical results; teamwork and collaboration; and ability to interact with a variety of collaborators.

Learning Outcomes (Competencies Obtained): Upon completion of this course students will be able to:

- 1. Undertake appropriate statistical analyses that align with the scientific question
- 2. Perform sensitivity analysis to assess robustness of results to analytical assumptions
- 3. Manage real data; use a data dictionary; restructure and/or reformat data in order to perform analyses
- 4. Engage in collaborative research with scientific mentors and peers
- 5. Deliver oral and written communication skills for disseminating scientific and statistical findings
- 6. Ability to identify appropriate statistical tools to address specific scientific questions
- 7. Demonstrate excellent presentation skills and the ability to explain statistical concepts and findings to a general scientific audience
- 8. Demonstrate skills in data management to handle a variety of practical problems in data format and structure
- 9. Demonstrate the ability to skillfully engage in statistical collaboration with mentors, colleagues, and clients
- 10. Suggest preferred methodological alternatives to commonly used statistical methods when assumptions are not met