

FALL 2018 - STAT 852 G100

**MODERN METHODS IN APPLIED STATISTICS (4)**

Class Number: 3054 Delivery Method: In Person

**COURSE TIMES + LOCATION:**

Mo 1:30 PM – 3:20 PM

TASC2 8500, Burnaby

We 2:30 PM – 4:20 PM

AQ 2104, Burnaby

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**PREREQUISITES:**

STAT 830 and STAT 853 or permission of instructor.

## Description

**CALENDAR DESCRIPTION:**

An advanced treatment of modern methods of multivariate statistics and non-parametric regression. Topics may include: (1) dimension reduction techniques such as principal component analysis, multidimensional scaling and related extensions; (2) classification and clustering methods; (3) modern regression techniques such as generalized additive models, Gaussian process regression and splines.

**COURSE DETAILS:**

**Final Presentations will be held on Dec 11th, 1:00-5:00, in SSB 7172**

**Course Outline:**

1. Problems with high dimensions,
2. Variable selection: stepwise, shrinkage, LASSO, and penalized likelihood
3. Modern regression techniques: Splines, trees, generalized additive models
4. Ensemble learning methods
5. Classification and clustering methods
6. Dimension reduction techniques: Principal components and multidimensional scaling

## Grading

Assignments	50%
Projects	50%

**NOTES:**

***Above grading is subject to change.***

***Final Presentations: To be announced***

## Materials

**REQUIRED READING:**

***The Elements of Statistical Learning: Data Mining, Inference, and Prediction (2nd ed.)*** by Trevor Hastie, Robert Tibshirani, Jerome Friedman. Publisher: Springer

Book is available on-line through the [SFU Library](#)

eBook: ISBN 978-0-387-84858-7

Hardcover: ISBN 978-0-387-84857-0

**RECOMMENDED READING:**

***Modern Multivariate Statistical Analysis: Regression, Classification, and Manifold Learning.*** by Alan J. Izenman. Publisher: Springer

Book is available on-line through the [SFU Library](#)

eBook: ISBN 978-0-387-78189-1

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