

POPH90123 Longitudinal and Correlated Data

Credit Points:	12.50																					
Level:	9 (Graduate/Postgraduate)																					
Dates & Locations:	This subject is not offered in 2014. Distance																					
Time Commitment:	Contact Hours: None Total Time Commitment: 8-12 hours total study time per week																					
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Non Allowed Subjects:	None																					
Core Participation Requirements:	For the purposes of considering request for Reasonable Adjustments under the Disability Standards for Education (Cwth 2005), and Students Experiencing Academic Disadvantage Policy, academic requirements for this subject are articulated in the Subject Description, Subject Objectives, Generic Skills and Assessment Requirements of this entry. The University is dedicated to provide support to those with special requirements. Further details on the disability support scheme can be found at the Disability Liaison Unit website.																					
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Subject Overview:	Topics covered: Paired data; the effect of non-independence on comparisons within and between clusters of observations; methods for continuous outcomes: normal mixed effects (hierarchical or multilevel) models and generalised estimating equations (GEE); role and limitations of repeated measures ANOVA; methods for discrete data: GEE and generalized linear mixed models (GLMM); methods for count data.																					
Learning Outcomes:	To enable students to apply appropriate methods to the analysis of data arising from longitudinal (repeated measures) epidemiological or clinical studies, and from studies with other																					

	forms of clustering (cluster sample surveys, cluster randomised trials, family studies) that will produce non-exchangeable outcomes.
Assessment:	Two major assignments due in week 7 and end of semester (30% each) Five short assignments (approx 3 hours of work each) due throughout the semester (8% each)
Prescribed Texts:	None Recommended Text:Fitzmaurice G, Laird N, Ware J. Applied Longitudinal Analysis. John Wiley and Sons, 2004. (ISBN 978-0-471-21487-8) Resources Provided to Students: Printed course notes and assignment material by mail, email, and online interaction facilities. Special Computer Requirements: Stata and SAS statistical software
Breadth Options:	This subject is not available as a breadth subject.
Fees Information:	Subject EFTSL, Level, Discipline & Census Date, http://enrolment.unimelb.edu.au/fees
Generic Skills:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> # Independent problem solving; # facility with abstract reasoning; # clarity of written expression; # sound communication of technical concepts.
Links to further information:	http://www.sph.unimelb.edu.au
Notes:	This subject is not available in the Master of Public Health.
Related Course(s):	Master of Biostatistics Postgraduate Certificate in Biostatistics Postgraduate Diploma in Biostatistics