

**AUBURN UNIVERSITY
SYLLABUS**

- I. Course Number:** ERMA 7300/ERMA 7306
Course Name: Design and Analysis in Education I
Credit Hours: 3 Semester Credit Hours
Prerequisite: FOUN7200 or Equivalent
Corequisite: None

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Office Hours: Wednesdays, 9-12, and by appointment.

- 2. Date Syllabus Revised:** August, 2014

3. Texts

Ross, M. E. & Shannon, D. M. (2011). Applied Quantitative methods in Education (2nd Edition). Dubuque, IA: Kendall/Hunt Publishing Company. ISBN# 978-0-7575-9156-3

The following tests may be helpful and are on reserve in the Learning Resources Center (LRC) and selected chapters may be posted on the course site.

Gravetter and Wallnau. (2009). Statistics for the Behavioral Sciences (8th edition). Belmont, CA: Wadsworth. ISBN# 0-495-60220-5

Huck. (2004). Reading research and Statistics (4th edition). Boston, MA: Pearson Education. ISBN # 0-205-38081-6

Salkind, N. J. (2010). Statistics for People (Who Think) They Hate Statistics. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Publications. ISBN# 978-1-4129-7102-7

Shannon and Davenport (2001). Using SPSS to Solve Statistical Problems. Columbus, OH: Merrill/Prentice Hall. ISBN# 0-13-267576-5

4. Course Description:

Basic methods of descriptive and inferential analysis including chi-square, t-tests, between and within subjects ANOVA, mixed ANOVAs and hierarchical designs as they are utilized in educational research.

5. Course Objectives:

Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to:

- explain the process of hypothesis testing and apply to research problems
- identify different types of research designs and variables found in published articles
- describe the strengths and limitations of different research designs
- identify applications of a wide variety of statistical procedures
- solve educational research problems using statistical tests of significance
- make accurate interpretations of statistical findings
- use data analysis software (SPSS) to solve statistical problems
- review published research literature to examine the application of measurement, design, and analysis procedures
- prepare a written summary of data analysis results in APA format

6. Course Content and Readings**Meeting Dates:**

August 20, 27

Sept 3, 10, 17, 24

Oct. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

Nov 5, 12, 19

Dec. 3

Please read the assigned readings prior to class.

Content	Readings (Additional readings found on course CANVAS site)
A. Introduction Overview of Research Design Research Problems, Questions, Variables Sampling Issues Review of Descriptive Statistics	Ross and Shannon, Chapters 1-3 Gravetter and Wallnau, Chapters 1-6 Huck – Chapters 1-2 Salkind, Chapter 1, 1a, 2, 3, 4 Shannon and Davenport, Chapters 1-9
B. Reliability and Validity Types of reliability and validity Factors influencing reliability and validity	Ross and Shannon, Chapter 15 Huck – Chapter 4 Salkind, Chapters 5,6 Shannon, Chapter 10
C. Hypothesis Testing and Decisions Probability Hypothesis Testing Power, Effect Size Type 1 and Type 2 error	Gravetter - Chapters 7-8 Huck – Chapters 5 – 9 Salkind, Chapters 7, 8, 9 Shannon, Chapter 11

7. Course Requirements:

- A. Attend all class sessions and participate in class discussions and activities
- B. Complete all announced and unannounced quizzes
- C. Complete all examinations
- D. Complete all homework assignments

8. Grading and Evaluation Procedures:

	Percentage of Final Grade
Homework assignments	25%
Quizzes	35%
Examinations	40%

Students missing more than 20% of course meetings will have their final grade reduced by one letter grade.

Any assignment presented or turned in late will be penalized 5% for each day past the assignment deadline. Assignments more than 2 weeks overdue will not be accepted

The following grading scale will be used:

90% B 100%	= A
80% B 89.99%	= B
70% B 79.99%	= C
60% B 69.99%	= D
Below 60%	= F

Homework Assignments (25%)

There will be 5-8 homework assignments throughout the semester. These assignments will focus primarily on the application of statistical software to perform procedures addressed in class. I will always illustrate an application prior to requiring of you for homework. We will illustrate and use SPSS in class. SPSS is loaded on several computer labs on campus (LRC, Wallace, etc..) and is available for purchase at a student rate. If you have access to a different software and can use it to accomplish the same outcome, great.

Quizzes (35%)

There will be approximately 3 quizzes over the duration of the semester. These quizzes will cover the concepts explored in class. These are to be completed without the assistance on any resources.

Examinations (40%)

There will be two examinations. These exams will be take-home and you will have one week to complete them. You are encouraged to use materials from class (handouts, readings, etc.) as you work on these exams.

9. Class Policy Statements:

- A. All portions of the class attendance policy apply to this class.
<https://sites.auburn.edu/admin/universitypolicies/Policies/PolicyonClassAttendance.pdf>.
- B. All portions of the Auburn University Honesty Code will apply to this class. -
<https://sites.auburn.edu/admin/universitypolicies/Policies/AcademicHonestyCode.pdf>

In addition, each student will be required to read and sign the following Honor Pledge when submitting class quizzes and exams.

Honor Pledge – On my honor as a student, I have neither given nor received assistance on this assignment.

- C. Students who need special accommodations should make an appointment to discuss the Accommodation Memo within the first 2 weeks of class. If you do not have an Accommodation Memo, please contact the Office of Accessibility 1228 Haley Center, (334) 844-2096.
<https://fp.auburn.edu/disability/>
- D. The Computer classrooms have a no food and drink policy. There is an exception for bottled water, which should remain sealed when not being consumed. If laptops are present, bottled water should be kept away from laptops. This policy is to ensure the room remains free from liquid stains and food crumbs that result in room repairs or the expense of spraying for roaches. With the room being a technology room, it falls under OIT policy and violators can lose campus computer privileges (e-mail & Internet access) if not adhering to this policy. If accommodations are needed, please inform the LRC staff. Thank you for your cooperation.

ERMA 7300/7306 Student Information – Fall 2014

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Name:

Major:

Advisor:

Contact Information
(phone, email, etc...)

Background in Research and Statistics

Describe your research interests.

How do you expect to apply this course to your specialty area?

Assignment:

Please write a brief autobiography (approximately 1-2 pages). Describe yourself in terms of your background, why you decided to enroll in graduate school, your career aspirations, your favorite statistical procedure (yeah, right?), or anything else of interest to you (or me). If you **have** been in one of my classes before, please feel free to take this opportunity to either verify what you said before was true or make up some more exciting things about yourself.