



## Washington Statistical Society

### Area Meetings and Courses for February 2007

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2 Friday. **Adaptive 'Simon' Designs for Heterogeneous Patient Populations in Phase II Cancer Trials**. *Speaker: Karen Messer, University of California San Diego.* 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. (refreshments at 9:45). Georgetown University Lombardi Comprehensive Cancer Center, 3800 Reservoir Road, NW. New Research Building, E501 Conference Room Washington, DC. For information see <http://dbbb.georgetown.edu/seminarspring2007.html>. Sponsor: Department of Biostatistics, Bioinformatics and Biomathematics, Georgetown University.

6 Tuesday. **Mortality in Iraq**. *Speakers: Gilbert Burnham, Shannon Doocy, and Scott Zeger, Johns Hopkins University.* Discussants: Jana Asher, AAAS; David Marker, Westat. Chair: Graham Kalton, Westat. 2:00 – 4:30 pm. BLS Conference Center, Rooms 1 and 2. See BLS notice below. For information see <http://www.dc-aapor.org/events2.php>. Sponsors: Methodology and Human Rights Sections of the WSS, Science and Human Rights Program of AAAS, DC-AAPOR, and CASPA.

7 Wednesday. **Advances in Multiple Analyses in Clinical Trials**. *Speaker: Lemuel Moyé, University of Texas.* 11:00 am. Executive Plaza North, Conference Room G, 6130 Executive Boulevard, Rockville, Maryland. Cancer Prevention and Control Colloquium, National Cancer Institute, Office of Preventive Oncology. For information call 301-496-8640 or see [www3.cancer.gov/prevention/pob/fellowship/moye.html](http://www3.cancer.gov/prevention/pob/fellowship/moye.html)

7, 8 Wednesday, Thursday. **Quantitative Methods in Defense and National Security 2007**. *Program Chair: Edward J. Wegman, GMU; Technical Program Chair: Jeffrey Solka, Naval Surface Weapon Center. Keynote Address: Delores Etter, U. S. Navy.* Sessions on DNA Forensics, Intelligent Applications, Spatial and Time Series Analysis. Registration: Students: \$50, others: \$100 per day. Conference meets at

George Mason University, Fairfax, VA. For registration information contact Liz Quigley, 703-993-1212 or [equigley@gmu.edu](mailto:equigley@gmu.edu); for conference information e-mail Jeffrey.Solka@navy.mil or see [www.galaxy.gmu.edu/QMDNS2007/](http://www.galaxy.gmu.edu/QMDNS2007/).

13, 14 Tuesday, Wednesday. **Balancing Data Confidentiality and Data Quality**. *Instructor: Lawrence H. Cox, National Center for Health Statistics.* Joint Program in Survey Methodology Short Course. 8:00-4:30 pm. Hyatt Regency Bethesda, MD. Fees: sponsoring agencies, affiliates and full-time university students \$550; others \$730. For information contact JPSM at 301-314-7911; fax 301-314-7912; or e-mail [jpsm@survey.umd.edu](mailto:jpsm@survey.umd.edu) or visit the JPSM website at <http://www.jpsm.org>.

15-17 Thursday – Saturday. **Introduction to Multilevel Analysis Methods: Hierarchical Linear Models**. *Instructor: Robert G. Croninger, University of Maryland.* Department of Measurement, Statistics and Evaluation, University of Maryland, Short Course. Stamp Student Union Building, University of Maryland, College Park. Fee \$595. For information phone 301-405-3629 or see [www.edms.edu/EDMS/Short Courses/HLM2007.doc](http://www.edms.edu/EDMS/Short%20Courses/HLM2007.doc).

21 Wednesday. **Demo of SPSS Complex Samples**. *Speaker: Linda Atkinson, USDA.* SIGSTAT Meeting. 12:00- 1:00 p.m. Room S3031, 1800 M St, NW. First-time attendees contact Charlie Hallahan, 202-694-5051, or [hallahan@ers.usda.gov](mailto:hallahan@ers.usda.gov). For information see [www.cpcug.org/user/sigstat/](http://www.cpcug.org/user/sigstat/).

22, 23 Thursday, Friday. **Logistic Regression Analysis**. *Instructor: C. Mitchell Dayton, University of Maryland.* Department of Measurement, Statistics and Evaluation, University of Maryland, Short Course. Stamp Student Union Building, University of Maryland, College Park. Fee \$495. For information phone 301-405-3629 or see

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<http://www.education.umd.edu/EDMS/ShortCourses/LRA2007.html>.

22 Thursday. **DCSUG Meeting. Two talks: (1) SAS Basics Using Proc SQL, (2) Shuffling, Shifting, Structuring – Using the Program Editor.** *Speakers: Chris Zogby, Zogby Enterprises and Gary Schlegelmilch, Bureau of the Census.* 5:30 – 8:30 pm. SAS regional office, Suite 800, 1530 Wilson Blvd, Arlington, VA. For information see <http://dc-sug.org/evening.html>.

26, 27 Monday, Tuesday. **Introduction To Survey Estimation.** *Instructors: David Morganstein, Westat and Richard L. Valliant, University of Michigan.* Joint Program in Survey Methodology Short Course. 8:00-4:30 pm. Inn and Conference Center, Adelphi, MD. Fees: sponsoring agencies, affiliates and full-time university students \$550; others \$730. For information contact JPSM at 301-314-7911; fax 301-314-7912; or e-mail [jpsm@survey.umd.edu](mailto:jpsm@survey.umd.edu) or visit the JPSM website at <http://www.jpsm.org>.

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*March Courses and Special Events*

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1 Thursday. **Sequential Monitoring of Randomization Tests.** *Speaker: William F. Rosenberger, George Mason University.* 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. (refreshments at 9:45). Georgetown University Lombardi Comprehensive Cancer Center, 3800 Reservoir Road, NW. New Research Building, E501 Conference Room Washington, DC. For information see <http://dbbb.georgetown.edu/seminarspring2007.html>. Sponsor: Department of Biostatistics, Bioinformatics and Biomathematics, Georgetown University.

1 Thursday. **A Multivariate Statistical Approach to Performance Analysis of Wireless Communication Systems.** *Speaker: Siamak Sorooshyari, Lucent Technologies.* 3:30 pm. Room 1313, Math Bldg, University of Maryland. Department of Mathematics, Statistics Seminar.

15, 16, Thursday, Friday. **Introduction to Survey Sampling.** *Instructors: Colm O’Muircheartaigh, University of Chicago and Roger Tourangeau, University of Maryland.* Joint Program in Survey Methodology Short Course. 8:00-5:00 pm. Sheraton Crystal City Hotel, Arlington, VA. Fees: sponsoring agencies, affiliates and full-time university students \$550 others \$730. For information see <https://projects.isr.umich.edu/jpsm/materials/2007-0315.html>.

15, 16, Thursday, Friday. **R and Analysis of Complex Surveys.** *Instructor: Thomas Lumley, University of Washington.* WSS Short Course. 8:30 – 4:30. BLS Conference Center, Postal Square Building, 2 Massachusetts Ave, NE. Fees: Full-time students \$50, WSS members \$200, others \$210. For information contact Sylvia Dohrmann, [SylviaDohrmann@westat.com](mailto:SylviaDohrmann@westat.com) or Trena M. Ezzati-Rice, [trena.ezzati-rice@ahrq.gov](mailto:trena.ezzati-rice@ahrq.gov).

27 Tuesday. **An Introduction to National Accounts.** *Instructor: Barbara Fraumeni, University of Southern Maine.* Joint Program in Survey Methodology Short Course. 8:00-4:30 pm. Hyatt Regency, Bethesda, MD. Fees: sponsoring agencies, affiliates and full-time university students \$300; others \$400. For information contact JPSM at 301-314-7911; fax 301-314-7912; or e-mail [jpsm@survey.umd.edu](mailto:jpsm@survey.umd.edu) or visit the JPSM website at <http://www.jpsm.org>.

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