

Center for Social Science Computation & Research



Winter Quarter 2007

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Winter Hours

Computer Rooms (135, 137, 139, 141, 143)
Monday through Thursday: 8:00AM—5:00PM

We are closed on Saturday and Sunday.

Administrative Office

Monday through Friday: 8:00AM—NOON
1:00PM—5:00PM

Consultants

Vicki Aken, Public Affairs
Yen-Sheng Chiang, Sociology
Chris Fowler, Geography
Gregg Harbaugh, Education
Sheila Huang, Pinch-Hitter
Jinyoung Kim, Political Science
Nicole Matsunaga, Social Work
Tim Pasch, Communication
Chris Rothschild, Jackson School
Jianguo Wang, Economics

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From the Director

Snow, cold, ice, wind; all topics which make you want to stay inside and work on your computer. Winter is our busiest quarter. It is also a good time to take a non-credit class to enhance your computer skill set.

So please take the time to review our list of courses. You will see listed a course on the American Community Survey which is being taught by Cam MacIntosh of US Census Bureau. This data set is going to replace the Summary Files and Pums culled from the decennial censuses. It is a sample survey conducted yearly. So it will be a very important source for up-to-date US demographic data. Seating will be limited for this class so please sign up on our website early.

Have a wonderful Winter.

Fred Nick

From the Archivist

New Data Sets:

AsiaBarometer, 2003

American Housing Survey, 1994: MSA Core and Supplement File

American Housing Survey, 1997: National Microdata

American Housing Survey, 1999: National Microdata

ABC News/Washington Post Poll, June 2005

Detroit Arab American Study (DAAS), 2003

Afrobarometer: Round II Survey of Lesotho, 2003

ABC News Nukes Poll, August 2005

ABC News/Washington Post Libby Indictment Two-Nighter Poll, October 2005

Eurobarometer 63.1: Science and Technology, Social Values, and Services of General Interest, Jan-Feb 2005

Eurobarometer 64.2: The European Constitution, Globalization, Energy

Resources, and Agricultural Policy, Oct-Nov 2005

Australian National Social Science Survey, 1984

Second National Study on the Situation of Youth in the Philippines [1997]

United States Business and Jobs: Structure and Changes by Sector and County, 1976-1988

New CDROMs/DVDs:

Zip Code Business Patterns 2003-2004

CSSCR Winter 2007 Classes

Here are the ways you can sign up for classes: Call 543-8110; stop by 145 Savery during office hours; send e-mail to ascocarp@u.washington.edu, including the class you wish to take, your name and department; or sign yourself up on our Web page. <http://julius.csscr.washington.edu/>

Intro to the CSSCR Archive/Campus Data

Instructor: Tina Tian
Date: Monday, January 22
Time: 2:00PM to 2:40PM
Place: Savery 149

MS Word and the UW Publishing Rules

Instructor: Dixielynn Gleason
Date: Tuesday, January 23
Time: 8:30AM to 9:30AM
Place: Savery 149

Introduction to Atlas.ti

Instructor: Sheila Huang
Date: Tuesday, January 23
Time: 2:00PM to 3:00PM
Place: Savery 137

Introduction to Powerpoint

Instructor: Nicole Matsunaga
Date: Wednesday, January 24
Time: 6:00PM to 7:00PM
Place: Savery 137

Introduction to InVivo

Instructor: Tim Pasch
Date: Friday, January 26
Time: 10:00AM to 11:00AM
Place: Savery 149

Introduction to ArcGIS

Instructor: Chris Fowler
Date: Friday, January 26
Time: 11:00AM to NOON
Place: Savery 149

Introduction to SPSS

Instructor: Yen-Sheng Chiang
Date: Monday, January 29
Time: 2:00PM to 3:00PM
Place: Savery 137

Special Lecture!

Introduction to the American Community Survey

Instructor: Cam MacIntosh
Date: Thursday, February 1
Time: 9:00AM to NOON
Place: TBA

Introduction to SAS

Instructor: Gregg Harbaugh
Date: Tuesday, January 30
Time: 3:00PM to 4:00PM
Place: Savery 137

Introduction to EViews

Instructor: Jianguo Wang
Date: Friday, February 2
Time: 11:30AM to 12:30PM
Place: Savery 137

Introduction to Forms

Instructor: Chris Rothschild
Date: Friday, February 9
Time: 11:30AM to 12:30PM
Place: Savery 137

Introduction to R(rrrr)

Instructor: JinYoung Kim
Date: Friday, February 9
Time: 1:00PM to 2:00PM
Place: Savery 137

Introduction to Excel

Instructor: Vicki Aken
Date: Friday, February 16
Time: 3:00PM to 4:00PM
Place: Savery 137

If you would like to request academic accommodations due to a disability, please contact Disabled Student Services, 448 Schmitz, 543-8924 (V/TDD). If you have a letter from Disabled Student Services indicating you have a disability that requires academic accommodations, please present the letter to Fred Nick at CSSCR so we can discuss the accommodations you might need for class.

CSSCR Classes Winter 2007

CSSCR offers free, non-credit classes to UW faculty, students and staff. Computer classes are also offered by University Computing Services (543-5970), UW Extension (543-2300) and the College of Engineering Continuing Education (543-5539). To sign up for CSSCR classes, call 543-8110, or stop by 145 Savery Hall during office hours, or use our Web page. <http://julius.csscr.washington.edu/> Please note the room number for the location of your class!

Intro to the CSSCR Archive/Campus Data

CSSCR maintains a large electronic archive for social science research. This class is to introduce to you the kinds of data we have and ways of searching the archive at CSSCR, ICPSR and other archive websites. We will also show you processes for working with the data (eg. using statistical software SPSS, SAS and STATA).

Instructor: Tina Tian
Date: Monday, January 22
Time: 2:00PM to 2:40PM
Place: Savery 149

Footnote Separator Symposium

This lecture will help you format your thesis/dissertation to conform with the UW Graduate School Style and Policy Manual for Theses and Dissertations.

Instructor: Dixielynn Gleason
Date: Tuesday, January 23
Time: 8:30AM to 9:30AM
Place: Savery 149

Introduction to Atlas.ti

This course is designed to get the class participants comfortable with the tool that facilitates your qualitative research. In this session, the instructor will introduce some basic features followed by more in-depth discussion of the program functions as well as strategies for data management and migration regardless of working as individuals or as a team, or of working solely on one specific computer or on multiple work stations. To make the session more engaging, hands-on practices are available through playing with the real data. Handouts with illustrations will be distributed through course participation.

No prior experience required for this Atlas.ti course.

Instructor: Sheila Huang
Date: Tuesday, January 23
Time: 2:00PM to 3:00PM
Place: Savery 137

Introduction to Powerpoint

Powerpoint is a versatile package which allows you to organize information on "slides." In this hour, we will look at how Powerpoint is structured, and how new users can create presentations, organize notes, manage graphics, and construct simple but fun animation.

Instructor: Nicole Matsunaga
Date: Wednesday, January 24
Time: 6:00PM to 7:00PM
Place: Savery 137

Introduction to NVivo

NVivo is an all-purpose qualitative data analysis system, which is designed to aid researchers in handling nonnumeric unstructured data by supporting processes of indexing, searching and theorizing.

Instructor: Tim Pasch
Date: Friday, January 26
Time: 10:00AM to 11:00AM
Place: Savery 149

Introduction to ArcGIS

This course is designed for people who want to know if a Geographic Information System (GIS) can help them in their research. We will consider the topics necessary to start your own project including: data collection and formatting, linking spatial data with other data sets, and the creation of basic thematic maps.

Instructor: Chris Fowler
Date: Friday, January 26
Time: 11:00AM to NOON
Place: Savery 149



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Introduction to SPSS

This course, which includes a substantial hands-on module, serves as an introduction to “Statistical Package for the Social Sciences (SPSS).” The course is geared towards giving the user the tools needed to begin using the package on a basic level immediately, as well as a background and experience that will help the user learn more about the package independent of the course. In addition to an overview of the package, covered topics include: SPSS graphical user interface, data entry, data conversion, transforming and recoding data, data analysis, and graphing.

Instructor: Yen-Sheng Chiang
Date: Monday, January 29
Time: 2:00PM to 3:00PM
Place: Savery 137

Introduction to SAS

In this class, we will talk about how to create SAS data sets and to access permanent SAS data sets and how to merge two data sets with SAS. In addition, we will address some practical issues in SAS, such as how to convert an SPSS file to a SAS file and vice versa.

Instructor: Gregg Harbaugh
Date: Tuesday, January 30
Time: 3:00PM to 4:00PM
Place: Savery 137

Introduction to EViews

EViews provides a user-friendly interface for data analysis. It does not require extensive knowledge of programming and is easy to learn. Although the software is econometric-oriented, people from other fields can still benefit from learning EViews.

Instructor: Jianguo Wang
Date: Friday, February 2
Time: 11:30AM to 12:30PM
Place: Savery 137

Introduction to Forms

This class will teach the basics of creating forms in Word and Excel

Instructor: Chris Rothschild
Date: Friday, February 9
Time: 11:30AM to 12:30PM
Place: Savery 137

Introduction to R(rrrr)

R is a free but powerful tool for Data analysis and graphics. In this class, you will learn how to install R and get started, how to do basic data analysis with R and how to use the “help” functions.

Instructor: JinYoung Kim
Date: Friday, February 9
Time: 1:00PM to 2:00PM
Place: Savery 137

Introduction to Excel

This lecture will introduce you to Microsoft Excel. We'll navigate the spreadsheet user interface, learn how to enter data, use formulas, functions, and charts, and perform basic formatting. No previous experience with Microsoft Excel is necessary.

Instructor: Vicki Aken
Date: Friday, February 16
Time: 3:00PM to 4:00PM
Place: Savery 137

Special Lecture!!!!

Introduction to the American Community Survey

The days of having to wait a decade for updated census figures about a changing America will soon be behind us, thanks to the Census Bureau's new American Community Survey (ACS). By 2010, the ACS will replace the long-form census questionnaire. Starting in August 2006, demographic, social, economic, and housing characteristics will be available annually for areas with populations of 65,000 or more. For smaller areas, ACS data will be available in three or five year averages, updated annually. This course is sponsored by Government Publications in the main library and CSSCR.

Workshop topics include:

- What is the American Community Survey?
- Comparing the American Community Survey and Census 2000
- Accessing and Understanding ACS Data Products and Thematic Maps

Instructor: Cam MacIntosh, U.S. Census Bureau
Date: Thursday, February 1
Time: 9:00AM to NOON
Place: Classroom location will be contingent on number of attendees.

