

**New Course Request**

**Indiana University**

Indianapolis Campus

Check Appropriate Boxes:

Undergraduate credit

Graduate credit

Professional credit

1. School/Division Science 2. Academic Subject Code STAT

3. Course Number 62800 (must be cleared with University Enrollment Services) 4. Instructor TBA

5. Course Title Advanced Statistical Inference

Recommended Abbreviation (Optional) \_\_\_\_\_  
(Limited to 32 Characters including spaces)

6. First time this course is to be offered (Semester/Year): Fall 2010

7. Credit Hours: Fixed at 3 or Variable from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

8. Is this course to be graded S-F (only)? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No X

9. Is variable title approval being requested? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No X

10. Course description (not to exceed 50 words) for Bulletin publication: P: STAT 51900 and STAT 52800  
C: STAT 61900; This course will cover basic measure theory and probability  
statistics and subfields, conditional expectations and probability  
distributions, asymptotic theory of estimation and likelihood based  
inference, optimal statistical tests, confidence sets and U-statistics.  
Other topics that might be covered include invariance, Edgeworth  
expansions, and saddle point method.

11. Lecture Contact Hours: Fixed at 3 or Variable from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

12. Non-Lecture Contact Hours: Fixed at N/A or Variable from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

13. Estimated enrollment: 15 of which 100 percent are expected to be graduate students.

14. Frequency of scheduling: annually Will this course be required for majors? yes- as option

15. Justification for new course: New course for Ph.D. Biostatistics program

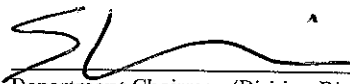
16. Are the necessary reading materials currently available in the appropriate library? yes

17. Please append a complete outline of the proposed course, and indicate instructor (if known), textbooks, and other materials.

18. If this course overlaps with existing courses, please explain with which courses it overlaps and whether this overlap is necessary, desirable, or unimportant.

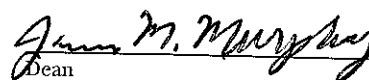
19. A copy of every new course proposal must be submitted to departments, schools, or divisions in which there may be overlap of the new course with existing courses or areas of strong concern, with instructions that they send comments directly to the originating Curriculum Committee. Please append a list of departments, schools, or divisions thus consulted.

Submitted by:

  
Department Chairman/Division Director

Date 10-9-2009

Approved by:

  
Dean

Date 10/30/2009

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Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Dean of Graduate School (when required)

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Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Chancellor/Vice-President

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date \_\_\_\_\_  
University Enrollment Services

After School/Division approval, forward the last copy (without attachments) to University Enrollment Services for initial processing, and the remaining four copies and attachments to the Campus Chancellor or Vice-President.

PURDUE UNIVERSITY

Print Form

Office of the Registrar  
FORM 40G REV. 9/06

REQUEST FOR ADDITION, EXPIRATION,  
OR REVISION OF A GRADUATE COURSE  
(500-600 LEVEL)

DEPARTMENT Mathematical Sciences

EFFECTIVE SESSION Fall 2010

INSTRUCTIONS: Please check the items below which describe the purpose of this request.

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1. New course with supporting documents (complete proposal form) | <input type="checkbox"/> 7. Change in course attributes              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2. Add existing course offered at another campus                            | <input type="checkbox"/> 8. Change in instructional hours            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 3. Expiration of a course   | <input type="checkbox"/> 9. Change in course description             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 4. Change in course number  | <input type="checkbox"/> 10. Change in course requisites             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 5. Change in course title   | <input type="checkbox"/> 11. Change in semesters offered             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 6. Change in course credit/type   | <input type="checkbox"/> 12. Transfer from one department to another |

<b>PROPOSED:</b> Subject Abbreviation <u>STAT</u> Course Number <u>62800</u> Long Title <u>Advanced Statistical Inference</u> Short Title _____ Abbreviated title will be entered by the Office of the Registrar if omitted. (22 CHARACTERS ONLY)		<b>EXISTING:</b> Subject Abbreviation _____ Course Number _____		<b>TERMS OFFERED</b> Check All That Apply: <input type="checkbox"/> Summer <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fall <input type="checkbox"/> Spring
<b>CAMPUS(ES) INVOLVED</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Calumet <input type="checkbox"/> N. Central <input type="checkbox"/> Cont Ed <input type="checkbox"/> Tech Statewide <input type="checkbox"/> Ft. Wayne <input type="checkbox"/> W. Lafayette <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Indianapolis				

<b>CREDIT TYPE</b> 1. Fixed Credit: Cr. Hrs. <u>3</u> 2. Variable Credit Range: Minimum Cr. Hrs _____ (Check One) To <input type="checkbox"/> Or <input type="checkbox"/> Maximum Cr. Hrs. _____ 3. Equivalent Credit: Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> 4. Thesis Credit: Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		<b>COURSE ATTRIBUTES: Check All That Apply</b> 1. Pass/Not Pass Only <input type="checkbox"/> 2. Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory Only <input type="checkbox"/> 3. Repeatable <input type="checkbox"/> Maximum Repeatable Credit: _____ 4. Credit by Examination <input type="checkbox"/> 5. Designator Required <input type="checkbox"/> 6. Special Fees <input type="checkbox"/> 7. Registration Approval Type Department <input type="checkbox"/> Instructor <input type="checkbox"/> 8. Variable Title <input type="checkbox"/> 9. Remedial <input type="checkbox"/> 10. Honors <input type="checkbox"/> 11. Full Time Privilege <input type="checkbox"/> 12. Off Campus Experience <input type="checkbox"/>	
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Instructional Type	Minutes Per Mtg	Meetings Per Week	Weeks Offered	% of Credit Allocated	Delivery Method (Asyn. Or Syn.)	Delivery Medium (Audio, Internet, Live, Text-Based, Video)	Cross-Listed Courses
Lecture			16			Live	
Recitation							
Presentation							
Laboratory							
Lab Prep							
Studio							
Distance							
Clinic							
Experiential							
Research							
Ind. Study							
Pract/Observ							

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Calumet Department Head _____ Date _____	Calumet School Dean _____ Date _____	Calumet Undergrad Curriculum Committee _____ Date _____
Fort Wayne Department Head _____ Date _____	Fort Wayne School Dean _____ Date _____	Fort Wayne Chancellor _____ Date _____
Indianapolis Department Head _____ Date _____	Indianapolis School Dean <i>Janna M. Murphy 10/30/2009</i>	Undergrad Curriculum Committee _____ Date _____
North Central Department Head _____ Date _____	North Central Chancellor _____ Date _____	Date Approved by Graduate Council _____
West Lafayette Department Head _____ Date _____	West Lafayette College/School Dean _____ Date _____	Graduate Council Secretary _____ Date _____
Graduate Area Committee Convener _____ Date _____	Graduate Dean _____ Date _____	West Lafayette Registrar _____ Date _____

To: Purdue University Graduate Council

From: Faculty Member: Ben Boukai

Department: Mathematical Sciences

Campus: Indianapolis

Date: 10-7-09

Subject: Proposal for New Graduate Course-Documents Supporting Registrar's Form 40

Contact information if questions arise

Name: Ben Boukai

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Course Number: STAT 62800

Campus Address: 402 N. Blackford St., LD 270

Course Title: Advanced Statistical Inference

For Reviewer's comments only

Select One

Reviewer: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

**A. Justification for the Course**

Explain how this course relates to other courses offered in the department or other departments and how this course fulfills a recognized need.

This course is intended primarily for students Choose one: from within this department

**B. Level of the course:**

Justify request for graduate course level by indicating anticipated enrollments of undergraduate and graduate students.

Anticipated Undergraduate Student Enrollment:

Anticipated Graduate Student Enrollment: 100%

**C. Prerequisites:** (If none, please explain reasons for absence)

STAT 51900, STAT 52800, C: STAT 461900

**D. Course Instructor:**

Instructor's Name TBA

**E1. Course Outline:**

(An outline of topics to be covered and an indication of the relative emphasis or time devoted to each topic is necessary. If laboratory or field experience is involved, the nature of this component should be explained as well).

**E2.**  Method of Evaluation or Assessment:

**F. Reading List:**

A reading list or bibliography should be limited to material the students will be required to read in order to successfully complete the course. It should not be a compilation of general reference material.

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**B. Learning Outcomes and Method of Evaluation or Assessment:**

As a result of having completed the proposed course, the students are expected to be familiar with commonly used distributions, understand and be able to apply the asymptotic theorems to study the asymptotic properties of estimators, be able to compute MLE's in numerical methods, understand the concept of efficient estimators and be able to construct efficient estimates, know how to estimate densities, understand and be able to apply optimal tests, understand the concept of robust statistics, understand U-statistics and able apply them to derive asymptotic distributions of U-statistics.

Evaluation is based on one mid-term examination (40 points), a comprehensive final examination (80 points) and 12 Homework assignments (120 points total). Some of the homework assignments might require programming in SAS, S-plus/R. Grades will be assigned using an absolute scale based on attained percentage score: A+=[95, 100], A=[90, 94], A-=[85, 89], B+=[80, 84], etc.

**C. Prerequisites:**

Pre-requisites : STAT 519 or STAT 51900, and STAT 528 or STAT 52800

Co-requisite: STAT 61900

**D. Course Instructor(s):**

TBA

**E. Course Outline**

**Convergence Modes and Limit Theorems:** Important modes of convergence including almost sure convergence, convergence in probability, convergence in moments, and convergence in distribution, laws of large numbers, Slutsky's theorem, the delta method.

**Estimation:** M- and Z-estimators and Maximum likelihood estimators, and the consistency and asymptotic normality, the Cramer-Rao lower bound, efficiency of MLE's, one-step estimators and the method of scoring, EM algorithm, invariance principle, and semiparametric efficiency.

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**High-Dimensional Inference and False Discovery:** Chisquare tests with many cells and sparse multinomials, regression models with many parameters, multiple testing and false discovery.

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## F. Reading List

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## H. Example of Course Syllabus: See Attached

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### **CHEATING AND PLAGIARISM:**

Academic misconduct will *not* be tolerated and all cases will be reported. Examine the IU Code of Student Rights, Responsibilities, and Conduct at <http://life.iupui.edu/help/code.asp> and in particular examine the rules regarding academic misconduct at [http://life.iupui.edu/help/docs/Part\\_3all.html](http://life.iupui.edu/help/docs/Part_3all.html). Violations of these rules will result in a grade of "F" (or 0%) for the assignment in question, and may result in an "F" for the course or even expulsion from the university (see [http://life.iupui.edu/help/docs/Part\\_4all.html#sanction](http://life.iupui.edu/help/docs/Part_4all.html#sanction)).

### Americans with Disabilities Act:

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