

Economics 8828

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Course Description:

This is a second-year graduate econometrics course that focuses on the analysis of individual-level data. It covers econometric methods based on the general linear and nonlinear models for cross-section data. The course begins with a review of M-estimators, followed by their application in discrete choice models, panel data models, and network models.

Prerequisite: Econ 7828.

Text:

Davidson, R. and J. G. Mackinnon, 2004, *Econometric Theory and Methods*.

Cameron, A. C. and P. K. Trivedi, 2005, *Microeconometrics*.

Assessment:

There will be a midterm exam, a final exam, and periodic problem sets.

1. Homework assignments (20%)
2. Midterm examination (40%)
3. Final Examination (40%)

Tentative Course Outline:

1. Review of M-estimators
 - a. GMM estimators for linear regression models
 - b. GMM estimators for nonlinear models
 - c. Asymptotic properties of ML estimators
 - d. Hypothesis testing
 - a. The asymptotic theory of the three classical tests
 - b. ML estimation of models with autoregressive errors
2. Discrete and Limited Dependent Variables
 - a. Binary response models
 - b. Models for unordered multiple choices
 - c. Models for censored and truncated data
 - d. Sample selectivity
 - e. Duration models

3. Panel Data Models
 - a. Pooled models
 - b. Fixed effects and random effects models
 - c. Dynamic models
 - d. Nonlinear panel data models
4. Spatial and Social Network Models
 - a. Spatial autoregressive models
 - b. IV, GMM and ML estimation
 - c. Social interaction models
 - d. Network formation models

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