Statistics is a major offered within the College of Arts and Science. The department offers BA, BS, MA and PhD degrees with a major in Statistics. A minor is also available.

Faculty

- **Professor** Z. He**, S. Holan**, J. Sun**, C. K. Wikle**
- **Teaching Professor** S. Lee*, L. D. Ries*
- **Associate Professor** S. Chakraborty**, A. Micheas**, E. Schliep*, L. A. Thombs**
- **Assistant Professor** S. Chao
- **Adjunct Assistant Professor** J. Snyder, I. Zaniletti
- **Instructor** T. Christiansen, D. Perkowski

- Graduate Faculty Member - membership is required to teach graduate-level courses, chair master's thesis committees, and serve on doctoral examination and dissertation committees.
- **Doctoral Faculty Member** - membership is required to chair doctoral examination or dissertation committees. Graduate faculty membership is a prerequisite for Doctoral faculty membership.

Undergraduate

- **BA in Statistics** (http://catalog.missouri.edu/collegeofartsandscience/statistics/ba-statistics/)
- **BS in Statistics** (http://catalog.missouri.edu/collegeofartsandscience/statistics/bs-statistics/)
- **Minor in Statistics** (http://catalog.missouri.edu/collegeofartsandscience/statistics/minor-statistics/)

Credit for Beginning Courses

(Applies to all students and all majors)

- A student may not receive credit toward an undergraduate degree for more than one of STAT 1200, STAT 1300 and STAT 1400.
- A student may not receive credit toward an undergraduate degree for more than one of STAT 2500 and STAT 2530.
- Subject to the above restrictions, a student may receive a maximum of 4 credits toward an undergraduate degree for any combination of STAT 1200, STAT 1300, STAT 1400, STAT 2200, STAT 2500 and STAT 2530.
- A student may not receive credit toward an undergraduate degree for any statistics course numbered 2999 or below if a statistics course numbered 4000 or above was successfully completed prior to or concurrent with the course in question. Exceptions may be approved at the discretion of the department.

Department Degree Requirements - Statistics

The Department of Statistics approves majors in statistics only for students who have met the following criteria:

- Completion of at least one statistics course at the 3000-level or above (or equivalent)
- Cumulative GPA of at least 2.50 overall
- Have earned a grade of C or higher in each statistics course completed

Students are encouraged to supplement their work in statistics with courses from areas such as economics, biology, accounting, finance, marketing, management, psychology, sociology, engineering, agriculture and atmospheric science. In addition, students must complete all degree, college and university graduation requirements (http://catalog.missouri.edu/academicdegreerequirements/universityrequirements/), including university general education (http://catalog.missouri.edu/academicdegreerequirements/generaleducationrequirements/).

Options

Students may pursue either a BA or a BS degree. For both degrees, students may pursue either a traditional track or an applied track. Students who are interested in graduate study in statistics are strongly encouraged to follow the traditional track.

Departmental Honors

To be admitted to the undergraduate honors program in the Department of Statistics, a student must have completed at least 12 of the 21 credits of statistics courses required for the major, have a grade-point average of at least 3.25 in all completed statistics courses, and identify a faculty member from the department who agrees to supervise the student's honors research project.

In order to receive the departmental honors designation, students who have been accepted into the program must graduate with a grade-point average of at least 3.25 in statistics courses, prepare a senior thesis based on their honors project, and present the results of the thesis in a departmental colloquium or other public forum approved by their mentor. They also must earn a grade of "B" or better in 3 credits of STAT 4999.

Graduate

- **MA in Statistics** (http://catalog.missouri.edu/collegeofartsandscience/statistics/ma-statistics/)
  - with emphasis in Biostatistics (http://catalog.missouri.edu/collegeofartsandscience/statistics/ma-statistics-emphasis-biostatistics/)
  - with emphasis in Data Analytics (http://catalog.missouri.edu/collegeofartsandscience/statistics/ma-statistics-emphasis-data-analytics/)
- **PhD in Statistics** (http://catalog.missouri.edu/collegeofartsandscience/statistics/phd-statistics/)
- **Graduate Minor in Statistics** (http://catalog.missouri.edu/collegeofartsandscience/statistics/grad-minor-statistics/)

Abbie Van Nice-Booher, Coordinator of Graduate Studies
About Statistics

The statistics department faculty is known for both cutting edge methodological and collaborative research and for outstanding teaching. Faculty members are currently investigating statistical problems in the fields of ecology, genetics, economics, meteorology, wildlife management, epidemiology, AIDS research, geophysics, and climatology. The program’s faculty members have ongoing collaborative programs across disciplines such as biostatistics, bioinformatics, economics, atmospheric science, psychology and with the Missouri Department of Conservation.

The graduate program provides opportunities for graduate study and thesis direction in various areas of probability and statistics, both theoretical and applied. A variety of consulting and collaborative opportunities allow both faculty and graduate students to conduct cooperative and interdisciplinary research. Regular statistics colloquia provide opportunities for faculty and outside speakers to present the results of their research. Faculty and graduate students also participate in weekly seminar series in Bayesian statistics, bioinformatics, and biostatistics.

Dual Master’s Degree in Economics and Statistics

The department offers a cooperative MA degree with the Economics Department. Students may obtain MA degrees in economics and statistics with 48 hours of course work numbered 7000 or higher from the University of Missouri instead of the 52 or more required for separate degrees. (These 48 hours may not include any of the following: ECONOM 7351, ECONOM 7353, or STAT 7510, STAT 7530, STAT 7710.) Eighteen or more hours are required from the Department of Economics. At least 15 hours must be numbered 8000 or higher with no more than four hours of 8090. Students must take the core economics courses ECONOM 8451 and ECONOM 8453 and research workshop ECONOM 8413 (2 credit hours). Eighteen or more hours are required from the Department of Statistics. At least 15 hours must be numbered 8000 or higher with no more than three hours of 8090. STAT 8710 and STAT 8720 and MATH 7140 are required if equivalent courses were not taken as an undergraduate.

All candidates must submit a thesis or written project demonstrating an independent effort towards producing original work satisfactory for each degree. The candidate may complete separate theses/projects for both economics and statistics or a single joint thesis/project satisfying both requirements. Alternatively, the candidate may satisfy the statistics degree requirement by taking the qualifying examination.

Career Opportunities

Statisticians are in demand in education, medicine, government, business and industry as well as in the biological, social and physical sciences.

Facilities & Resources

The Department of Statistics maintains a state-of-the-art computer network with Linux workstations and servers for research and personal productivity software on PCs. Students have access to the network through PCs in student offices and through the statistics department computer laboratory. An extensive library of software including R, SAS, and common programming languages is maintained. Students also have access to the campus computing network. The statistics department is located in newly renovated space in Middlebush, with easy access to the main library’s outstanding collection of books and journals in statistics.

Financial Aid from the Program

 Fellowships and teaching and research assistantships are available to qualified graduate students. Some programs require an extra form or statement from those who wish to be considered for internal assistantships, fellowships or other funding packages. Check the program website or ask the program contact for details.

STAT 1006: Topics in Statistics-Mathematical Science
Organized study of selected topics. Subjects and earnable credit may vary from semester to semester. Repeatable with departmental consent.

Credit Hour: 1-5
Prerequisites: Instructor's consent

STAT 1200: Introductory Statistical Reasoning
Statistical concepts for critically evaluating quantitative information. Descriptive statistics, probability, estimation, hypothesis testing, correlation and regression. Students may not receive credit if they have received or are concurrently receiving credit for another course offered by the Statistics Department. Math Reasoning Proficiency Course. Mathematical Sciences distribution course (requirement terms prior to fall 2019).

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: C- or higher in MATH _0110 or MyMathTest Intermediate Algebra score of 70% or higher

STAT 1300: Elementary Statistics
Collection, presentation of data; averages; dispersion; introduction to statistical inference, correlation and regression. Students may not receive credit if they have received or are concurrently receiving credit for another course offered by the Statistics Department. Math Reasoning Proficiency Course.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: grade in C- or higher in MATH 1100 or MATH 1120 or MATH 1160 or MATH 1180 or exemption from college algebra by examination

STAT 1300H: Elementary Statistics - Honors
Collection, presentation of data; averages; dispersion; introduction to statistical inference, correlation and regression. Students may not receive credit if they have received or are concurrently receiving credit for another course offered by the Statistics Department. Math Reasoning Proficiency course.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: grade of C-or higher in MATH 1100 or MATH 1120 or MATH 1160 or MATH 1180 or exemption from college algebra by examination. Honors eligibility required
STAT 1400: Elementary Statistics for Life Sciences
Designed for students studying agriculture and other life sciences. Descriptive statistics, probability, estimation, hypothesis testing, correlation and regression. Students may not receive credit if they have received or are concurrently receiving credit for another course offered by the Statistics Department. Math Reasoning Proficiency Course.
Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: grade in C- or higher in MATH 1050 or MATH 1100 or MATH 1120 or MATH 1160 or MATH 1180 or exemption from college algebra by examination

STAT 2006: Topics in Statistics-Mathematical Science
Organized study of selected topics. Subjects and earnable credit may vary from semester to semester. Repeatable with departmental consent.
Credit Hour: 1-5
Prerequisites: Instructor's consent

STAT 2200: Introductory Statistical Methods
Designed to upgrade the curriculum of STAT 1200 or STAT 1300 or STAT 1400 to the level of STAT 2500. Students may not receive credit for STAT 2200 if they have completed a course from the Department of Statistics numbered 2500 or higher. Math Reasoning Proficiency Course.
Credit Hour: 1
Prerequisites: grade in C- or higher in STAT 1200 or STAT 1300 or STAT 1400

STAT 2500: Introduction to Probability and Statistics I
Designed primarily for students in College of Business. Descriptive statistics, probability, random variables, sampling distributions, estimation, confidence intervals, hypothesis tests. Math Reasoning Proficiency course.
Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: grade of C- or better in MATH 1300 or MATH 1400 or MATH 1500

STAT 2530: Statistical Methods in Natural Resources
Statistical methods, with emphasis on applications to natural resources and including computer exercises. Math Reasoning Proficiency Course.
Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: a college-level computing course and a grade in the C range or better in MATH 1100, MATH 1120, MATH 1160, or MATH 1180

STAT 3006: Topics in Statistics-Mathematical Science
Organized study of selected topics. Subjects and earnable credit may vary from semester to semester. Repeatable with departmental consent.
Credit Hour: 1-5
Prerequisites: Consent of instructor required

STAT 3500: Introduction to Probability and Statistics II
Continuation of STAT 2500. Coverage of additional topics including: Regression; model building; ANOVA; nonparametric methods; use of a statistical computer package.
Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: grade in the C - or higher in STAT 2200 or STAT 2500 or STAT 2530, or STAT 4710 or concurrent enrollment in STAT 2200

STAT 4006: Topics in Statistics-Mathematical
Organized study of selected topics. Subjects and earnable credit may vary from semester to semester. Repeatable with departmental consent.
Credit Hour: 1-5
Prerequisites: Consent of instructor required

STAT 4050: Connecting Statistics to Middle and Secondary Schools
(cross-leveled with STAT 7050). Primarily for middle and secondary mathematics education majors. Uses standards-based curricular materials to demonstrate connections between college-level statistics and content taught in middle and secondary schools. No credit toward a graduate degree in statistics.
Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: STAT 1200 or STAT 1300 or STAT 1400 or STAT 2500 or STAT 4710 or ESC_PS 4170 or MATH 2320

STAT 4085: Problems in Statistics for Undergraduates
Independent investigations. Reports on approved topics.
Credit Hour: 1-3
Prerequisites: Instructor's consent

STAT 4110: Statistical Software and Data Analysis
(cross-leveled with STAT 7110). Programming with major statistical packages emphasizing data management techniques and statistical analysis for regression, analysis of variance, categorical data, descriptive statistics, non-parametric analyses, and other selected topics.
Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: STAT 3500 or STAT 7070 or STAT 4710 or STAT 7710 or STAT 4760 or STAT 7760

STAT 4150: Applied Categorical Data Analysis
(cross-leveled with STAT 7150). The study of statistical models and methods used in analyzing categorical data. The use of computing is emphasized and calculus is not required. No credit for students who have previously completed STAT 4830. No credit toward a graduate degree in statistics.
Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: STAT 3500 or STAT 7070 or STAT 4710 or STAT 7710 or STAT 4760 or STAT 7760

STAT 4190: Theory of Estimation
Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: STAT 3500 or STAT 7070 or STAT 4710 or STAT 7710 or STAT 4760 or STAT 7760

STAT 4210: Applied Nonparametric Methods
Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: STAT 3500 or STAT 7070 or STAT 4710 or STAT 7710 or STAT 4760 or STAT 7760

STAT 4310: Sampling Techniques
linear and generalized linear mixed models, repeated measures, and Random effects models will also be introduced, with emphasis on generalized linear models, such as logistic and Poisson regression.

Topics include modeling focusing on extensions of the linear model. Topics include:

STAT 4520: Applied Statistical Models I
(cross-leveled with STAT 7520). Introduction to applied statistical models including regression and ANOVA, logistic regression, discriminant analysis, tree-based methods, semi-parametric regression, support vector machines, and unsupervised learning through principal component and clustering. No credit toward a graduate degree in statistics. Prerequisites: Any one of STAT 3500 or STAT 7070 or STAT 4710 or STAT 7710 or STAT 4760 or STAT 7760.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: STAT 3500 or STAT 7070 or STAT 4710 or STAT 7710 or STAT 4760 or STAT 7760

STAT 4520: Applied Statistical Models II
(cross-leveled with STAT 7520). Advanced course in applied statistical modeling focusing on extensions of the linear model. Topics include generalized linear models, such as logistic and Poisson regression. Random effects models will also be introduced, with emphasis on linear and generalized linear mixed models, repeated measures, and longitudinal data. These methods will extend to general models for dependent data, such as spatially-referenced data and time series. Lastly, nonlinear models through neural networks and deep learning will also be discussed.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: Stat 4510 or 7510 or instructor's consent

STAT 4540: Experimental Design
(cross-leveled with STAT 7540). Examination and analysis of modern statistical techniques applicable to experimentation in social, physical or biological sciences.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: STAT 3500 or STAT 4510 or STAT 7510 or STAT 4530 or STAT 7530

STAT 4560: Applied Multivariate Data Analysis
(cross-leveled with STAT 7560). Introduction to statistical methods used in customized pricing. Focuses on applying statistical methods to real customized pricing problems. Students will gain an understanding of customized pricing and some hands on experience with SAS Enterprise Miner.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: STAT 3500 or STAT 4510 or STAT 7510 or STAT 4530 or STAT 7530

STAT 4580: Introduction to Statistical Methods for Customized Pricing
(cross-leveled with STAT 7580). Introduction to basic concepts of and statistical methods used in customized pricing. Focuses on applying statistical methods to real customized pricing problems. Students will gain an understanding of customized pricing and some hands on experience with SAS Enterprise Miner.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: STAT 3500 or STAT 4510 or STAT 7510 or instructor's consent

STAT 4610: Applied Spatial Statistics
(cross-leveled with STAT 7610). Introduction to spatial random processes, spatial point patterns, kriging, simultaneous and conditional autoregression, and spatial data analysis.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: basic knowledge of calculus and matrices

Recommended:

STAT 4640: Introduction to Bayesian Data Analysis
(cross-leveled with STAT 7640). Bayes formulas, choices of prior, empirical Bayesian methods, hierarchal Bayesian methods, statistical computation, Bayesian estimation, model selection, predictive analysis, applications, Bayesian software.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: STAT 3500 or STAT 4510 or STAT 7510

STAT 4710: Introduction to Mathematical Statistics
(same as MATH 4315; cross-leveled with STAT 7710, MATH 7315). Introduction to theory of probability and statistics using concepts and methods of calculus. No credit for Math 4315.
Credit Hours: 3  
Prerequisites: MATH 2300

**STAT 4750: Introduction to Probability Theory**  
(same as MATH 4320; cross-leveled with STAT 7750, MATH 7320).  
Probability spaces; random variables and their distributions; repeated  
trials; probability limit theorems.  

Credit Hours: 3  
Prerequisites: MATH 2300

**STAT 4760: Statistical Inference**  
(same as MATH 4520; cross-leveled with STAT 7760, MATH 7520).  
Sampling; point estimation; sampling distribution; tests of hypotheses;  
regression and linear hypotheses.  

Credit Hours: 3  
Prerequisites: STAT 4750 or STAT 7750

**STAT 4830: Categorical Data Analysis**  
(cross-leveled with STAT 7830). Discrete distributions, frequency data,  
multinomial data, chi-square and likelihood ratio tests, logistic regression,  
log linear models, rates, relative risks, random effects, case studies.  

Credit Hours: 3  
Prerequisites: STAT 4710 or STAT 7710 or STAT 4760 or STAT 7760

**STAT 4850: Introduction to Stochastic Processes**  
(cross-leveled with STAT 7850). Study of random processes selected  
from: Markov chains, birth and death processes, random walks, Poisson  
processes, renewal theory, Brownian motion, Gaussian processes, white  
noise, spectral analysis, applications such as queuing theory, sequential  
tests.  

Credit Hours: 3  
Prerequisites: STAT 4750 or STAT 7750

**STAT 4870: Time Series Analysis**  
(cross-leveled with STAT 7870). A study of univariate and multivariate  
time series models and techniques for their analyses. Emphasis is on  
methodology rather than theory. Examples are drawn from a variety of  
areas including business, economics and soil science.  

Credit Hours: 3  
Prerequisites: STAT 4710 or STAT 7710 or STAT 4760 or STAT 7760

**STAT 4970: Junior/Senior Seminar**  
A capstone course required of and open only to junior or senior statistics  
majors. Students will participate in statistical consulting, attend colloquia,  
and review articles in professional journals. Writing of reports will be  
emphasized.  

Credit Hours: 3  
Prerequisites: Statistics major with Junior or Senior class standing or  
instructor's consent  
Recommended: 12 completed hours of statistics courses with grade of C  
or better; STAT 4110

**STAT 4999: Departmental Honors in Statistics**  
Special work for Honors candidates in statistics. May be repeated for  
credit.  

Credit Hour: 1-3

**STAT 7006: Topics in Statistics-Mathematics**  
Organized study of selected topics. Subjects and earnable credit may  
vary from semester to semester. Repeatable with departmental consent.  

Credit Hour: 1-5  
Prerequisites: instructor's consent

**STAT 7020: Statistical Methods in the Health Sciences**  
Basic inference methods, both parametric and non-parametric,  
appropriate for answering questions arising in health sciences research.  
Computer exercises involving data from real experiments from health  
science area.  

Credit Hours: 3  
Prerequisites: MATH 1100 or MATH 1120 and instructor's consent

**STAT 7050: Connecting Statistics to Middle and Secondary Schools**  
(cross-leveled with STAT 4050). Primarily for middle and secondary  
mathematics education majors. Uses standards-based curricular  
materials to demonstrate connections between college-level statistics  
and content taught in middle and secondary schools. No credit toward a  
graduate degree in statistics.  

Credit Hours: 3  
Prerequisites: an introductory course in statistics or MATH 2320 or  
instructor's consent

**STAT 7070: Statistical Methods for Research**  
Designed for graduate students who have no previous training in  
statistics. Topics include descriptive statistics, probability distributions,  
estimation, hypothesis testing, regression, and ANOVA. No credit toward a  
degree in statistics.  

Credit Hours: 3  
Prerequisites: either MATH 1100 or MATH 1120

**STAT 7070: Statistical Methods for Research**  
Designed for graduate students who have no previous training in  
statistics. Topics include descriptive statistics, probability distributions,  
estimation, hypothesis testing, regression, and ANOVA. No credit toward a  
degree in statistics.  

Credit Hours: 3  
Prerequisites: either MATH 1100 or MATH 1120

**STAT 7085: Problems in Statistics for Non-majors**  
Approved reading and study, independent investigations, and reports on  
approved topics.  

Credit Hour: 1-99  
Prerequisites: instructor's consent

**STAT 7110: Statistical Software and Data Analysis**  
(cross-leveled with STAT 4110). Programming with major statistical  
packages emphasizing data management techniques and statistical
Topics include randomization, power and sample size calculation, design and analysis of clinical trials, laboratory studies and epidemiology. Study of statistical techniques for the design and analysis of clinical trials, laboratory studies and epidemiology. Topics include randomization, power and sample size calculation, sequential monitoring, carcinogenicity bioassay and case-cohort designs. Prerequisites: any of the following: STAT 3500, STAT 7070, STAT 4710, STAT 7710, STAT 4760, STAT 7760, or instructor's consent. Credit Hours: 3

**STAT 7210: Applied Nonparametric Methods**
(cross-leveled with STAT 4210). Statistical methods when the functional form of the population is unknown. Applications emphasized. Comparisons with parametric procedures. Goodness of fit, chi-square, comparison of several populations, measures of correlation. Credit Hours: 3

**STAT 7310: Sampling Techniques**

**STAT 7330: Methods in Sports Analytics I**
(cross-leveled with STAT 4330). Introductory course on collecting, processing, visualizing, and analyzing data in sports. Technologies used in data collection and processing will be explored, along with methods for measuring and comparing individual and team performance. Credit Hours: 3

**STAT 7340: Methods in Sports Analytics II**
(cross-leveled with STAT 4340). Advanced course in methods for analyzing individual and team based performance in sports and the use of data to drive strategy and tactics. Emphasis will be put on analytical methods to improve skills and optimize the performance of athletes. Credit Hours: 3

**STAT 7410: Biostatistics and Clinical Trials**
(cross-leveled with STAT 4410). Study of statistical techniques for the design and analysis of clinical trials, laboratory studies and epidemiology. Topics include randomization, power and sample size calculation.
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factor analysis), nonlinear regression, generalized linear models, categorical data analysis.

**Credit Hours:** 3  
**Prerequisites:** STAT 8310 or instructor's consent

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**STAT 8330: Data Analysis III**  
An introduction to data analysis techniques associated with supervised and unsupervised statistical learning. Resampling methods, model selection, regularization, generalized additive models, trees, support vector machines, clustering, nonlinear dimension reduction.

**Credit Hours:** 3  
**Prerequisites:** STAT 8320

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**STAT 8370: Statistical Consulting**  

**Credit Hours:** 3  
**Prerequisites:** STAT 4760 or STAT 7760 and STAT 8320 or instructor's consent

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**STAT 8410: Statistical Theory of Bioinformatics**  
Study of statistical theory and methods underpinning bioinformatics. Topics include statistical theory used in biotechnologies such as gene sequencing, gene alignments, microarrays, phylogenetic trees, evolutionary models, proteomics and imaging.

**Credit Hours:** 3  
**Prerequisites:** STAT 4760 or STAT 7760

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**STAT 8640: Bayesian Analysis I**  
Bayes' theorem, subjective probability, non-informative priors, conjugate prior, asymptotic properties, model selection, computation, hierarchical models, hypothesis testing, inference, predication, applications.

**Credit Hours:** 3  
**Prerequisites:** STAT 4760 or STAT 7760 and MATH 4140 or MATH 7140, and instructor's consent

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**STAT 9085: Problems in Statistics for Majors - PhD**  
Approved reading and study, independent investigations, and reports on approved topics.

**Credit Hour:** 1-99  
**Prerequisites:** instructor's consent

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**STAT 9090: Doctoral Dissertation Research in Statistics**  
Graded on a S/U basis only.

**Credit Hour:** 1-99

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**STAT 9100: Recent Developments in Statistics**  
The content of the course which varies from semester to semester, will be the study of some statistical theories or methodologies which are currently under development, such as bootstrapping, missing data, non-parametric regression, statistical computing, etc.

**Credit Hours:** 3  
**Prerequisites:** STAT 4760 or STAT 7760 and instructor's consent

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**STAT 9250: Statistical Computation and Simulation**  
Random number generation, acceptance/rejection methods; Monte Carlo; Laplace approximation; the EM algorithm; importance sampling; Markov chain Monte Carlo; Metropolis-Hasting algorithm; Gibbs sampling, marginal likelihood.

**Credit Hours:** 3  
**Prerequisites:** STAT 4760 or STAT 7760 or instructor's consent

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**STAT 9340: Data Analysis IV**  
This course will explore advanced statistical learning methods for analyzing complex data, including statistical optimization, multi-level models, random processes, neural computing, Bayesian methods, and alternative learning strategies. The course will require significant involvement from the students in terms of highly computationally-oriented homework and project participation.

**Credit Hours:** 3  
**Prerequisites:** STAT 8330

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**STAT 9370: Multivariate Analysis**  

**Credit Hours:** 3  
**Prerequisites:** STAT 4760 or STAT 7760 and MATH 4140 or MATH 7140 or instructor's consent
STAT 9410: Survival Analysis
Statistical failure models, Kaplan-Meier estimator, Log-rank test, Cox's regression model, Multivariate failure time data analysis, Counting process approaches.
Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: STAT 4760 or STAT 7760 or instructor's consent

STAT 9530: Data Mining and Machine Learning Methods
Approaches to estimating unspecified relationships and findings unexpected patterns in high dimensional data. Computationally intensive methods including splines, classifications, tree-based and bagging methods, support vector machines.
Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: STAT 4110 or STAT 7110, STAT 4760 or STAT 7760 and STAT 8320 or instructor's consent

STAT 9640: Bayesian Analysis II
Likelihood principle, decision theory, asymptotic properties, advanced topics in Bayesian analysis at the instructor's discretion.
Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: STAT 8640 and STAT 9710 or instructor's consent

STAT 9710: Advanced Mathematical Statistics I
Advanced study of mathematical statistics appropriate for PhD students in statistics. Elements of probability theory, principles of data reduction, point and interval estimation, methods of finding estimators and their properties, hypothesis testing, methods of finding test functions and their properties. Decision theoretic, classical and Bayesian perspectives.
Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: STAT 8720 or instructor's consent

STAT 9720: Advanced Mathematical Statistics II
Continuation of STAT 9710. Topics include distribution theory and convergence, laws of large numbers, central limit theorems, efficiency, large sample theory, and elements of advanced probability.
Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: STAT 9710 or instructor's consent

STAT 9810: Advanced Probability
(same as MATH 8480). Measure theoretic probability theory. Characteristic functions; conditional probability and expectation; sums of independent random variables including strong law of large numbers and central limit problem.
Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: STAT 4750 STAT 7750 or MATH 4700 or MATH 7700 or instructor's consent

STAT 9820: Stochastic Processes
(same as MATH 8680). Markov processes, martingales, orthogonal sequences, processes with independent and orthogonal increments, stationarity, linear prediction.
Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: STAT 9810 or instructor's consent