

Course Code Big Data Analysis Module 2, 2019-20

Course Information

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Course Website: TBA

1. Course Description

1.1 Context

Course overview:

This course teaches some commonly and widely used big data analysis techniques and their applications in quantitative strategies development. We will cover data visualization, typical pattern recognition and machine learning methods, and statistical testing. We will use quantitative factor model construction as a test bed to apply all these techniques.

Prerequisites:

Fair Knowledge of programming and statistics

1.2 Textbooks and Reading Materials

- Your Complete Guide to Factor-Based Investing: The Way Smart Money Invests Today, by Berklin and Swedroe (CGFBI)

- Pattern Recognition and Machine Learning, by Bishop (PRML)

https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/research/publication/pattern-recognition-machine-learning/

2. Learning Outcomes

2.1 Intended Learning Outcomes

| Learning Goals | Objectives | Asses with NO) | sment (` details | YES or |
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| 1. Our graduates will be effective | 1.1. Our students will produce quality business and research-oriented documents. | YES | | |
| communicators. | 1.2. Students are able to professionally present their ideas and also logically explain and defend their argument. | YES | | |
| 2. Our graduates will be skilled in team work and leadership. | 2.1. Students will be able to lead and participate in group for projects, discussion, and presentation. | YES | | |
| | 2.2. Students will be able to apply leadership theories and related skills. | | | |
| Our graduates will be trained in ethics. | 3.1. In a case setting, students will use appropriate techniques to analyze business problems and identify the ethical aspects, provide a solution and defend it. | | | |
| | 3.2. Our students will practice ethics in the duration of the program. | | | |
| Our graduates will have a global perspective. | 4.1. Students will have an international exposure. | YES | | |
| 5. Our graduates will be skilled in problem- solving and critical | 5.1. Our students will have a good understanding of fundamental theories in their fields. | YES | | |
| thinking. | 5.2. Our students will be prepared to face problems in various business settings and find solutions. | YES | | |
| | 5.3. Our students will demonstrate competency in critical thinking. | YES | | |

2.2 Course specific objectives

See section 1.1 Context.

2.3 Assessment/Grading Details

Attendance 5%, Assignments 20%, Exams 35%, Final Project 40%

The level of background knowledge may vary among students, but it will be ignored in grading. Grading will be strictly based on outcome, not on effort or progress.

2.4 Academic Honesty and Plagiarism

It is important for a student's effort and credit to be recognized through class assessment. Credits earned for a student work due to efforts done by others are clearly unfair. Deliberate dishonesty is considered academic misconducts, which include plagiarism; cheating on assignments or examinations; engaging in unauthorized collaboration on academic work; taking, acquiring, or using test materials without faculty permission; submitting false or incomplete records of academic achievement; acting alone or in cooperation with another to falsify records or to obtain dishonestly grades, honors, awards, or professional endorsement; or altering, forging, or misusing a University academic record; or fabricating or falsifying of data, research procedures, or data analysis.

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For more information of plagiarism, please refer to PHBS Student Handbook.

| Week | Dates | Topics |
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| 1 | Nov. 14 & 18 | An overview of big data and database |
| 2 | Nov. 21 & 25 | Matlab overview and data visualization |

3. Topics, Teaching and Assessment Schedule (Tentative)

| 3 | Nov. 28 & Dec. 2 | Pattern recognition and machine learning techniques |
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| 4 | Dec. 5 & 9 | Factor overview |
| 5 | Dec. 11 & 12 | Factor construction and testing |
| 6 | Dec. 19 & 23 | Midterm exam and final project proposals |
| 7 | Dec. 26 & 30 | High frequency Factors |
| 8 | Jan. 2 & 6 | Unstructured data based Factors |
| 9 | Jan. 9 & 13 | Final project presentations |

4. Miscellaneous