GEOG 8102 – Advanced Spatial Data Analysis

Thursday 2:15-5:00pm, 1186 Derby Hall

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Course Description
This course focuses on advanced statistical methods for spatially referenced data, including spatial point patterns, geostatistical data, and lattice data. Major topics to be covered include spatial random processes, exploratory spatial data analysis, spatial point pattern analysis, spatial covariance functions, variograms, kriging, spatial autoregressive models, and geographically weighted regression. Computer exercises are designed to help students to gain hands-on experience on the topics presented in lectures. Students are required to present and discuss assigned readings and develop an individual research project that applies spatial statistical methods in geographical problem solving.

Course Website
The course schedule, announcements, lecture notes, assignments, readings, and other course information will be posted on Carmen (https://carmen.osu.edu).

Prerequisites
GEOG 5100, or consent of instructor. Students should be familiar with basic probability theory, multiple linear regression, and basic linear algebra.

Required Textbook

Reference Books


**Course Evaluation**

Final course grades will be based on the following weighting of assessment components:

- Class discussion 20%
- Homework 25%
- Midterm 15%
- Final project 40%

**Academic Misconduct**

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