

ECON 6009
Graduate Seminar
Memorial University of Newfoundland

Lecture 0-*Organization session*

INTRODUCTION

The prof

The students

The material

The textbooks

The aids

The way to do it right!

The grading

The Prof

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E-mail only from your MUN account!!!

The Prof

Office hours (posted on-line and on my
office door):

TUE 9:30 to 2:30,
or by appointment

The students

Names?

Why are you here?

What are you going to do next?

Do not forget:

Have you been to the Department Office to check if all your documentation is in order?

Have you registered for your 4 Fall courses?

Including

ECON 9000 001 Graduate Registration?

Do not forget:

- You should join the MUN School of Graduate Studies information webinars and you visit the International Student Association's website
- We will have an induction at the Department of Economics as well

The objectives

- To strengthen the knowledge the student gained in previous Economics modules about how to conduct academic research and present it to an academic audience
- To develop students' capacity for self-motivated learning and problem solving during the practical process of conducting academic research

The objectives

- To enhance students' research methods and skills and to prepare students for the task of writing and presenting the research output required to succeed in their graduate studies and beyond
- To equip students with the tools needed for conducting research ethically and, more practically, to navigate the usually required formal ethics protocols

The objectives

- To help students develop the habits and master the techniques that will make them effective and efficient researchers, improving their ability to plan, conduct, report, and evaluate economic research
- To equip students for further study in Economics and/or employment in related fields

The tools

The Workflow of Data Analysis Using Stata
by J. Scott Long, Stata Press, 2009,

available for purchase at the University bookstore and also
online at the Stata

Bookstore

Additional materials can be found from STATA typing

findit workflow

The tools

STATA 14 available in graduate resource room

If you want to buy a copy, take advantage of our STATA GradPlan

The tools

MiKTeX, which is *free-source* together with an editing interface of your choice (some of which are also free, TexWorks comes with MiKTeX)

The tools

Reference management software.

You have RefWorks available from the library and several packages that can handle BiBTeX (extension .bib) files are also available at no cost

The tools

In addition, we will sometimes use other packages such as Microsoft Excel, GRET (also available for free), Microsoft Word, and Microsoft Power-Point

The aids

Check your e-mails and website frequently

We will be working little by little but
continuously

There will be frequent assignments

The grading scheme

Table 1: Assessment summary

	date	weight	comments
Term Project: proposal	Wed Wk 5	10%	2-page proposal to be submitted
Term Project: draft	Mon Wk 9	20%	draft of full paper
Seminar Paper	Mon Wk 10	25%	
Seminar Paper presentation	Wks 10-11	10%	10-minute presentation. You must submit your ppt file on Monday Wk 10
TCPS 2 Tutorial	Wed Wk 10	5%	Completion of the Course on Research Ethics (CORE)
Term Project: Final paper	November 27 th	30%	

Questions?

Any questions?

Any suggestions?

Any complaints?