# SAULT COLLEGE OF APPLIED ARTS \& TECHNOLOGY <br> SAULT STE. MARIE, ONTARIO 

## COURSE OUTLINE

APPLIED STATISTICS (FORMERLY COMPUTER APPLICATIONS I)
Course Title:
FOR 356-4
Code No.:
FISH \& WILDLIFE TECHNOLOGY/FOREST MANAGEMENT TECHNOLOGY
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## CALENDAR DESCRIPTION

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## PHILOSOPHY/GOALS:

This course is designed to meet the statistical needs of students in Fish and Wildlife and Forest Management. Hypothesis testing, chi-square, analysis of variance, correlation and regression, as well as multiple regression analysis will be considered. Emphasis will be placed on solving typical problems in the student's own specialty using statistical packages (i.e. MINITAB) primarily on the mainframe computer.

Method of Assessment
A $-80 \%$
B $-70 \%$
C - 60\%
$R$ - less than $60 \%$
Term Test 80\%
Assignments $20 \%$
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$100 \%$

## A. Term Tests

Term tests will be written for a total value of $80 \%$ of the course grade.

Term tests may include a written theory portion as well as data analysis on the computer terminals.

Term tests are accumulative.
B. Assignments

Much of the problem-solving and data analysis will be done in the form of assignments using the MINITAB statistical package. Certain of the assignments will be submitted for marking and will constitute $20 \%$ of the course grade.

## C. General

Students receiving a final grade of less that $60 \%$ based on term tests and assignments will be required to write an exam on the entire course content for a passing grage (ie "C").

Students receiving a grade of less than $45 \%$ will receive an automatic "R" grade, with no opportunity to rewrite.

## Equipment

An electronic calculator is mandatory for calssroom and test purposes.

## Text

Ryan, B.R., B.L. Joiner and T.A. Ryan. 1985. Minitab Handbook, PWS Publishers, Boston, Massachusetts.

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> No. of Hours

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UNIT 1 Introduction
    .the misuse of statistics
    .types of biological data
    .frequency distributions
    .accuracy and significant figures
    .introduction to MINITAB; plotting data
UNIT 2 Populations and Samples 4
.populations
.samples from populations
.random sampling
-parameters and statistics
.MINITAB commands to manipulate data
UNIT 3 Descriptive Statistics 4
.median
.mode
UNIT 4 One-Sample Hypotheses 4
.two-tailed hypotheses concerning the mean
.one-tailed hypotheses concerning the mean
.confidence limits
.variability about the mean
.sample size and estimation of the
population mean
.confidence limits for the population
variance
.hypotheses concerning the variance
.effect of coding
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UNIT 5
Two-Sample Hypotheses
.testing for differences between two variances
.confidence interval for variance ration
.testing for differences between two means
. confidence interval for means
.sample size and estimation of difference between two population means

- power and sample size
. nomparametric statistical methods
.effect of coding
.testing from differences between two diversity indices
-paired sample hypotheses testing
UNIT 6 Analysis of Variance 8
. one-way and two-way ANOVAs
. confidence limits for means
.nonparametric ANOVA
.testing for difference between several medians
.homogeneity of variances
UNIT 7 Correlation and Regression 4
.regression vs. correlation
.testing for significance
.fitting a straight line
-predictions
.multiple regressions
.interpreting residuals
.transformations
UNIT 8 Testing for Goodness of Fit/ Contingency Tables4
.goodness of fit
.chi-square goodness of fit
.statistical significance
.errors in hypotesis testing
.bias
UNIT 9 More Problem Solving
NB - Schedule subject to change

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## REFERENCE TEXTS

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Levin, R.I. and D.S. Rubin, 1980. Applied Elementary Statistics, Prentice-Hall, Inc., Englewood Cliffs, N.J. $0 \overline{7632 .}$

Ricker, W.E., 1968. Methods for Assessment of Fish Production in Fresh Water, IBP Handbook No. 3, Blackwell, Oxford $31 \bar{p}$.

Sanders, D.H., A.F. Murph and R.J. Eng, 1980. Statistics: A Fresh Approach, McGraw-Hill Book Company, Toronto.

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