Teaching Statistics Seminar

Using Austin’s Open Data Portal

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Abstract: This talk will introduce the City of Austin’s Open Data Portal and demonstrate how data can be searched and downloaded to use as examples in statistics courses or for student projects.

Dr. Ted Lehr is a Data Architect with the City of Austin, Texas. He is part of Austin’s Smart City team and lectures in Computer Science at Texas State University where, in 2015, Texas State recognized him as an Outstanding Part-Time Faculty for the quality of his teaching and research. Charles Purma has lead open government and web and software development initiatives for the City of Austin, TX for over ten years. Most recently, his focus is turning to spanning the boundaries between the public, private, and community sectors to deliver upon the promises of open data and smart city programs. Marbenn Cayetano is an IT Business Systems Analyst with the City of Austin. He is an advocate of Open Data as part of the City’s Open Data Initiative team and a mega fan of Geography Information Systems (GIS) stemming from his previous career as a GIS Programmer creating award winning web based map applications.