Statistics Seminar

Getting Everyone on the Same Page: How to Coordinate Multi-section Classes?

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Abstract: The focus of my talk will be reflections on my experiences developing, maintaining, and coordinating several multi-section statistics courses at UT. I will discuss the structure for a few of our coordinated courses in terms of staffing and materials. I will talk through our curriculum development strategies and share my tips on the best kind of content to create for these types of courses. I will also offer some practical advice on ways we manage our content to make everyone’s life easier. I will share what I found worked best when rolling out the course for the first time and what has helped with onboarding new people. Additionally, I will share some of the lessons I have learned along the way about what helps the course to succeed and what will set students back. Finally, I will reflect on how things are going and how to think about judging success.

Kristin Harvey: I am an Assistant Professor of Instruction for the Department of Statistics and Data Sciences and also serve as course coordinator for SDS 302: Data Analysis for the Health Sciences and SDS 301: Elementary Statistical Methods. I have been awarded several grants to work on course transformation, course creation, and materials development projects to ensure our department’s courses best meet student needs. I serve as a representative for my department on the College of Natural Sciences course and curriculum committee and have served on the CNS 21st Century Task Force on Curriculum Planning Implementation. My committee and course transformation work has been focused on creating curriculum, courses, and degree plans which best meet the needs of our diverse student population.