

# Big Data Analytics

CSCE 587 Big Data Analytics  
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Lectures: In-Person  
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## Course Description<sup>2</sup>

CSCE/STAT 587 – Special Topics: Big Data Analytics (3) This course covers foundational techniques and tools required for data science and big data analytics. The course focuses on concepts, principles, and techniques applicable to any technology environment and industry and establishes a baseline that can be enhanced by further formal training and additional real-world experience.

## Prerequisites<sup>3</sup>

This course introduces the student to concepts of big data management, data mining techniques and the underlying statistics that support big data analytics. Since this is a 500-level course, relevant 500 level courses such as Database (CSCE 520) and Statistics for Engineers (STAT 509) cannot be listed as prerequisites. Consequently, lecture time will be devoted to addresses necessary topics from these courses. In this course we will use the programming language R as well as Hadoop/Map-Reduce/Pig/Hive as the primary tools for analysis.

## Learning Outcomes<sup>4</sup>

By the end of the course the student will be able to:

1. deploy a structured lifecycle approach to data science and big data analytics projects
2. select visualization techniques and tools to analyze big data and create statistical models
3. use tools such as R and RStudio, and MapReduce/Hadoop/PIG/HIVE.

## Required Texts, Other Materials, Suggested Readings<sup>6</sup>

This course does not have a required text. However, ad hoc readings from the field will be assigned. In addition, material from “Data Science and Big Data Analytics Student Guide” distributed by EMC Education Services will be provided to the students.

## Course Overview

Students will be expected to participate in lectures during designated lecture time. Lectures slides will be made available prior to the lecture. The instructor will reply to all feedback in a reasonable amount of time; the same is expected of the students. Specifically, **Communication:** Responses to email communication and questions will be provided within 24 hours.

**Assignment Grading:** Grades for assignments will be returned within 72 hours of due date (assuming the assignment is turned in on time).

**Test Grading:** Grades for tests will be returned within 72 hours of due date.

## **Technology**

The software used for this course include R, and Hadoop/Map-Reduce/Pig/Hive. Each student will have their own virtual machine running on departmental hardware with this software pre-installed. Each student will be able to access their virtual machine via web browser and/or ssh/sftp.

## **Course Delivery Structure**

The course will be delivered in a computer lab with 50% of the time devoted to lectures and the other 50% devoted to hands-on lab exercises.

## **Course Requirements**

**Homework:** Students will complete assignments demonstrating mastery of material. These will be due at 11:30pm on the due date (submitted via Microsoft Teams).

## **Final Exam**

Sect001 Tuesday, April 30 at 9 am

## **Course Outline/Schedule**

Lecture 1: Introduction to Big Data Analytics and VM Terminal Sessions  
Lecture 2: Introduction to R and RStudio  
Lecture 3: Introduction to R and RStudio continued  
Lecture 4: Basic analysis in R  
Lecture 5: Intermediate R  
Lecture 6: Intermediate analysis in R  
Lecture 7: Generic clustering consideration, K-means Clustering  
Lecture 8: Relational Data Model  
Lecture 9: SQL syntax and operational semantics  
Lecture 10: Intro to Hive and Hive Lab  
Lecture 11: Simple Linear regression  
Lecture 12: Logistic regression  
Lecture 13: Hypothesis testing  
Lecture 14: Naïve Bayes  
Lecture 15: Classification accuracy, holdout estimation and ROC analysis, NB Lab  
Lecture 16: Midterm Review  
Lecture 17: Midterm Exam  
Lecture 18: Decision trees  
Lecture 19: Association Analysis  
Lecture 20: Introduction to Hadoop and HDFS  
Lecture 21: Map-Reduce  
Lecture 22: Pig  
Lecture 23: Hive  
Lecture 24: Intermediate Map-Reduce/Pig/Hive  
Lecture 25: Intermediate Map-Reduce/Pig/Hive  
Lecture 26: Principal Component Analysis  
Lecture 27: Linear Discriminant Analysis  
Lecture 28: Review for Final Exam/Discussion of Hadoop take home portion of final exam

## **Assignments<sup>9</sup>**

**Homework:** Students will complete assignments demonstrating mastery of material. These will be due at 11:30 pm on the due date.

HW 1: R Homework assignment

HW 2: K-means homework assignment

HW 3: Linear regression homework assignment

HW 4: Logistic regression homework assignment

HW 5: Naïve Bayes homework assignment

Project 1: Data set analysis (take home portion of midterm exam)

HW 6: Hadoop MapReduce/PIG/HIVE homework assignment.

Project 2: Hadoop MapReduce/PIG/HIVE Project (take home portion of final exam)

**Midterm exam:** Covers lectures 1 – 16. It is comprised of an in-class written exam as well as a take-home applied-exam. The overall midterm grade will be a weighted average of the in-class and take-home

MidtermScore =  $\frac{3}{4}$  in-class written exam +  $\frac{1}{4}$  take-home applied project

**Final exam:** Covers entire semester: It is comprised of an in-class written exam as well as take-home applied-exam. The overall midterm grade will be a weighted average of the in-class and take-home

FinalExamScore =  $\frac{3}{4}$  in-class written exam +  $\frac{1}{4}$  take-home applied project

## **Grading Scheme<sup>10</sup>**

Final grade:  $90 \leq A$ ,  $87 \leq B+$ ,  $80 \leq B < 87$ ,  $77 \leq C+ < 80$ ,  $70 \leq C < 77$ ,  $65 \leq D+ < 70$ ,  $60 \leq D < 65$ ,  $F < 60$

Grades will be calculated from homework (30%), in-class labs (20%), midterm (20%), and Final Exam (30%).

## **Difference between Undergraduate and Graduate Work:**

While letter grades for both undergraduate and graduate students are based on the same percentage boundaries, the denominators used to calculate those percentages are different. Graduate students are assigned additional problems in both homework and exams.

## Course Policies

*Attendance*<sup>11</sup>: Attendance is mandatory. The in-class labs (20% of overall grade) are graded on participation. You must be in class to receive credit for in-class labs. If you weren't in-class, then you didn't participate. In-class labs can not be made up except in the case of a documented excused absence.

*Tardiness, late assignments*: homework and labs are due at 11:30 pm on the due date (submitted via Teams). Late assignments will be charged 10% per day. No projects or assignments will be accepted after 5 days.

*Policy on disabilities or special needs*<sup>12</sup>: Reasonable accommodations are available for students with a documented disability. If you have a disability and may need accommodations to fully participate in this class, contact the Student Disability Resource Center: 803-777-6142, TDD 803-777-6744, email [sadrc@mailbox.sc.edu](mailto:sadrc@mailbox.sc.edu), or stop by LeConte College Room 112A. All accommodations must be approved through the Student Disability Resource Center. See <https://www.sa.sc.edu/sds/>.

*Student-to-Instructor (S2I) Interaction*<sup>14</sup>: Students will listen/view lectures online via videos and interact with the professor through email, MS Teams and (possibly) discussion boards. The professor will post announcements, provide individual feedback to students, and hold online office hours via MS Teams.

*Students-to-Student (S2S) Interaction*<sup>14</sup>: Students will engage in discussions through email and possibly MS Teams.

*Student-to-Content (S2C) Interaction*<sup>14</sup>: Students will engage with course content by completing in-class labs, homework assignments, and exam projects.

*Violations of academic honesty*<sup>13</sup>: Assignments and examination work are expected to be the sole effort of the student submitting the work. Students are expected to follow the University of South Carolina Honor Code and should expect that every instance of a suspected violation will be reported. Students found responsible for violations of the Code will be subject to academic penalty under the Code in addition to whatever disciplinary sanctions are applied.

Honor code violations include any of the actions described below(excerpted from <http://www.sc.edu/policies/ppm/staf625.pdf>):

A. Plagiarism: Use of work or ideas without proper acknowledgment of source. Prohibited behaviors include:

1. Partial or incomplete citation of work or ideas.
2. Improperly paraphrasing by acknowledging the source but failing to present the material in one's own words.
3. Paraphrasing without acknowledgment of the source.
4. Multiple submissions of the same or substantially the same academic work for academic credit.
5. Copying, partially or entirely, any material without acknowledgement of the source.

B. Cheating: Improper collaboration or unauthorized assistance in connection with any academic work. Prohibited behaviors include:

1. Requesting unauthorized assistance
2. Copying another individual's or group's academic work.
3. Receiving and utilizing academic work for purposes of fulfilling an academic requirement.
4. Completing any academic work for someone else or permitting someone else to complete academic work on your behalf.
5. Using any bribe, coercion or unauthorized aid (e.g., outside source, cell phone, calculator, notes, previous testing materials) for an unfair academic advantage.
6. Using, possessing or distributing the contents of any examination (e.g., unauthorized access to test/quiz information, unauthorized duplication of test/quiz materials) without authorization.
7. Taking, misplacing, or damaging property if the student knows or reasonably should know that an unfair academic advantage would be gained.

C. Falsification: Misrepresenting or misleading others with respect to academic work or misrepresenting facts for an academic advantage. Prohibited behaviors include:

1. Signing in for another student who is not in attendance or requesting this action.
2. Interfering with an instructor's ability to evaluate accurately a student's competency or performance on any academic work.
3. Fabrication of documents submitted in connection with academic work.

D. Complicity: Assisting or attempting to assist another in any violation of the Honor Code.

Prohibited behaviors include:

1. Sharing academic work with another student (either in person or electronically) without the permission of the instructor.
2. Communicating (either in person or electronically) with another student(s) or other individual(s) during an examination without the permission of the instructor.

## PROCEDURES

A. All allegations must be referred to the Office of Academic Integrity for investigation. The instructor should notify students that they are being referred to the Office of Academic Integrity.

B. Non-academic sanctions are determined by the Office of Academic Integrity in conjunction with the college liaison.

C. Academic sanctions are determined at the discretion of the instructor of record and occur following the case resolution by the Office of Academic Integrity. **The academic sanction in CSCE/STAT 587 will be a grade of zero on the assignment/test/project for which the honor code was violated.**