

Biostatistics & Data Science Learning Assessment Response Form

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1 & 2: Learning goals & Outcome measures – please list the program’s formal learning goals and associated outcomes measures	
<i>Learning goal</i>	<i>Outcome measure(s)</i>
1. Demonstrate understanding of central statistical concepts, apply appropriate statistical methods to research questions and use appropriate software to produce reproducible results	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Homework assignments, labs and written exams • Successful completion of <i>Biostatistics I with R</i> • Successful completion of <i>Categorical and Censored Data Analysis</i>
2. Manipulate, organize and visualize complex messy data efficiently and effectively and execute best practices for reproducible research as well as best coding practices	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Homework assignments, labs and written exams • Successful completion of <i>Data Science I (with R and Python)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Additional depth with another programming language: Elective course on “Statistical Programming with SAS” ○ Additional depth in creation, organization and maintenance of databases: Elective on “Data Management”
3. Understand data generating processes, pros and cons of different study designs, bias and confounding and proficiency in critically reviewing and evaluating a study	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Homework assignments, quizzes and papers • Successful completion of <i>Study Design</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Additional depth in experimental designs: Elective on <i>Foundations in Biomedical Applications</i>
4. Understand the goals of a research problem, apply appropriate method to predict outcomes and establish causal effects of outcomes using appropriate advanced statistical and machine learning methods	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Written exams and projects • Homework assignments and labs • Successful completion of “<i>Data Science II – Statistical Learning</i>” <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Additional depth in causal inference: Elective on <i>Causal Inference</i> ○ Additional depth in hierarchical modeling, missing data and clinical trials: Elective on <i>Advanced Topics in Biostatistics</i>
5. Ability to develop and succeed in cross-disciplinary teams to pursue common projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Successful prosecution of Capstone Project
6. Aware of issues and best practices in the responsible conduct of research and human subjects research	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Successful completion of CITI <i>Responsible Conduct of Research</i> and <i>Biomedical Investigators</i> courses
7. Able to present data and its analysis in a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Graded end-of-term oral presentations

public forum, orally and in writing	(multiple courses) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interim presentations of Capstone project (end of term) • Final presentation of Capstone project
3: Learning assessment – List the names of the meeting(s) that will be used to conduct learning assessment, including key participants	
<i>Meeting title</i>	<i>Key participants (eg, program chair, program dir., course dirs., student reps)</i>
1. End-of-term Education Committee meeting	Program Directors and staff review student progress at end of every term
2. Annual Curriculum Committee Meeting	Program Directors and Curriculum Committee
4: Learning assessment process – Confirm that annually the program will (a) discuss the overall approach to learning assessment (ie, in terms of learning goals, outcome measures, and review process), and (b) submit a report to the Dean of the Graduate School, summarizing the findings of the annual assessment review.	
(a) Annual discussion of approach to learning assessment: CONFIRMED / NOT CONFIRMED	
(b) Annual learning assessment report to Dean: CONFIRMED / NOT CONFIRMED	