# Applied Epidemiology I: Spring 2021

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## Lecture 1: Data management

- Aims
- Good folder structure, documents, Readme.txt, habits on coding
- Other do's and don'ts

Lab session using Stata

#### Lecture 2: Data clearance

- Set up working directory
- Import and save data
  - File types: .xls, .txt, .csv, .dta, .xpt
  - save, replace
- Manage datasets:

merge, append

• Get to know the data:

summarize, describe, codebook, list

- Manage variables:
  - Variable types: numeric, string, keep, drop
  - Action: label, rename, recode, generate, replace
  - Condition: sort, by, if, in and other operators

## Lecture 3: Graphs

- Graphs
  - Bad examples, learning from errors
  - Basics of making graphs
  - Study map
  - Histogram, bar chart, scatter plot, box plot, line graph
  - Customisation: stratification, combine two graphs, export

#### **Lecture 4:** Summary statistics, tables and interpreting results

- Summary statistics
  - Measures of central tendency: mean, median, mode
  - Measures of dispersion: range, IQR, variance, standard deviation
- Tables
  - Bad example
  - Basics of making tables
  - One-way tables, two-by-two tables
  - Stata tool for Epidemiology
- Basic Epidemiology terms
  - Rate vs. proportion
  - Risk, risk difference, risk ratio
  - Odds, odds ratio
- Interpreting results
  - Principles
  - Ratio > or < 1, more examples
- Calculate ratios using Stata
  - Risk ratio, odds ratio, incidence rate ratio

## Lecture 5: Q & A session

• Any last statistical questions or clarifications on the halfway of the assignment

### Lecture 6: Q & A session

• Any last statistical questions or clarifications before the assignment