# Kevin's Notes 2024-2025

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# **Introductory Courses**

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m GV4L8}$  Introductory Maths

**GV4L8** Introductory Maths for Political Science

<u>Lecturer</u>: Dr. Marta Antonetti

Assessment: None (Pre-Sessional)

Course Content (Lectures, Readings, and Problems):

- 1. Sets, Expressions, Functions
- 2. Vectors, Matrices, Continuity, Limits
- 3. Derivatives, Optimisation, Integrals
- 4. Counting, Probability, Random Variables

Autumn Term

## GV481 Quantitative Analysis

### GV481 Quantitative Analysis for Political Science

Lecturer: Dr. Aliz Toth

Formative Assessment: Problem Set 1 (AT W7), Problem Set 2 (AT W9)

Summative Assessment: Coursework (50%, 10 Jan), Exam (50%, Spring)

Course Content (Lectures, Readings, and Problems):

1. Quantitative Thinking and Correlations

- 2. Bivariate and Multivariate OLS | Problem Set 1
- 3. Uncertainty and Hypothesis Testing
- 4. Introduction to Causal Inference
- 5. Randomised Controlled Trials
- 7. Selection on Observables
- 8. Instrumental Variables
- 9. Regression Discontinuity
- 10. Differences-in-Differences
- 11. Survey Experiements

#### Resources:

• Interpreting Regressions Guide

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#### **GV4C8** Game Theory

#### GV4C8 Game Theory for Political Science

Lecturer: Professor Rafael Hortala-Vallve

Formative Assessment: Weekly Problem Sets, Week 11 Mock Exam

Summative Assessment: Problem Set 1 (25%, AT W7), Problem Set 2 (25%, AT W11) Exam (50%, Spring)

Course Content (Lectures, Readings, Problems):

- 1. Political Economy, Game Theory, Aggregation of Preferences
- 2. Nash Equilibrium, Static Games of Complete Information | Problem Set Week 2
- 3. Downsian Models of Electoral Competition | Problem Set Week 3
- 4. Redistributive Politics, Mixed Strategies, Valence Politics | Problem Set Week 4
- 5. Dynamic Games of Complete Information, Legislative Bargaining | Problem Set Week 5
- 7. Elections as Incentive Devices, Counter-terrorism, Repeated Games
- 8. Imperfect and Incomplete Information, Bayesian Nash Equilibrium
- 9. Perfect Bayesian Equilibrium
- 10. Signalling and Elections as Accountability Mechanism

#### MY452A Regression Analysis

#### MY452A Applied Regression Analysis

Lecturer: Prof. Jouni Kuha

Summative Assessment: Exam (100%, Spring)

Course Content (Lectures, Readings, and Problems):

- 0. Statistical Inference Review
- 1. Introduction to Regression Modelling
- 2. Linear Regression I: Basic Elements
- 3. Linear Regression II: Different Types of Explanatory Variables
- 4. Linear Regression III: Model Selection and Research Design
- 5. Linear Regression IV: Models for Longitudinal and Clustered Data
- 7. Binary Logistic Regression I: Definition and Interpretation
- 8. Binary Logistic Regression II: Estimation and Inference
- 9. Models for Polytomous Responses
- 10. Models for Counts
- 11. Further Topics

### MY470 Computer Programming

## MY470 Computer Programming (Autumn Term)

Lecturer: Dr. Milena Tsvetkova

Summative Assessment: N/A (Auditing)

Course Content (Lectures, Readings, and Problems):

- 1. What is Computation
- 2. Data Types in Python
- 3. Control Flow
- 4. Functions
- 5. Classes
- 6. Testing and Debugging
- 7. R Programming Language
- 8. Algorithms and Order of Growth
- 9. Searching and Sorting Algorithms
- 10. Tree and Graph Algorithms

# Winter Term

**GV482 Current Issues** 

GV482 Political Science and Political Economy: Current Issues

Lecturer: Prof. Stephane Wolton

Assessment: Coursework (50%, WT), Online Assessment (50%, Spring)

1. States vs. Markets (From IR470 W1)
MY457 Causal Inference
MY457 Causal Inference for Observational and Experimental Studies
Lecturer: Dr. Daniel De Kadt
Assessment: Take-Home Assessment (100%, Spring)
MY455 Multivariate Analysis
MY455 Multivariate Analysis and Measurement
Lecturer: Prof. Jouni Kuha
Assessment: Exam (100%, Spring)
ST304 Time Series
ST304 Time Series and Forecasting (Winter Term)
Lecturer

# **Short Guides**