



Haas School of Business
University of California, Berkeley

UGBA 147 Advanced Business Analytics Syllabus Summer 2021 | 3 units

Welcome to UGBA 147 Advanced Business Analytics.

Successful business analysts, managers, and executives are increasingly relying on data-driven decisions to run their businesses, rather than relying on experience and intuition alone. This course teaches you the latest data analytic methods and decision methods now used by leading-edge business practitioners, going deep to understand their technical inner workings and going broad to realize their practical business applications.

- Business decision modeling, exploratory data analysis, cluster modeling, predictive modeling
- Data analytic methods, including machine learning and related approaches
- Introduction to R and Jupyter software for data analysis
- Real-world/real-data business practicum across a variety of industries:
stock market, political fundraising, health care products, banking, electric utilities, real estate, hospitality, retail, call centers, telecom, transportation, and others

Official Course Title & Description

UGBA 147 Special Topics in Operations and Information Technology Management

A variety of topics in manufacturing and information technology with emphasis on current problems and research.

Class Meetings Mon, Wed, Fri | 3:40-6:00pm PT | Synchronous Remote
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Recommended Preparation

UGBA 104 Intro Business Analytics, DATA C100 Principles & Techniques of Data Science, or equivalent

Course Format & Norms

We meet Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays for synchronous remote method lectures and application demonstrations. Attendance is not taken, but you are encouraged to attend all meetings, if it's practical for you to do so. All meetings are recorded and will be available to you shortly afterward.

We use Zoom for our meetings. Join the meetings with your **video on**, if it's practical for you to do so. You are encouraged to speak out with questions or comments during meetings, but keep your audio muted when not speaking. Normally, we will not use Zoom's chat feature during meetings. The course works best when you ask lots of questions.

We use R on Haas JupyterHub to disseminate materials, and to do your lab and project assignments.

We use bCourses > Announcements to disseminate announcements and some other materials. You use bCourses > Assignments to submit links to your lab and project solutions on Haas JupyterHub. You can use bCourses > Discussion to post questions to the instructor and to other students.

Textbook & Software

You will be provided method lecture materials, application demonstration materials, other study materials, and links to suggested readings. There is no required textbook for this course.

You will be provided access to Haas JupyterHub. Use the Google Chrome web browser directed to <https://ugba147-2021-summer.haastech.org>. There you will be prompted for your Berkeley email address and CalNet ID to verify your access privileges.

Note: You are not expected to be already proficient in R and Jupyter; rather, you will be provided instruction and lots of examples on which to base your work. We leverage a variety of R functionalities that can often enable robust analysis with just a few lines of code.

Lab Assignments

You will conduct several lab exercises using R on Haas JupyterHub that allow you to explore specific topics covered in lectures. You are provided all the expected outputs for all the labs, but you write the necessary R code. Lab assignments with due dates are listed on bCourses and available on Haas JupyterHub. Each lab submission will normally be graded as full credit if mostly correct, half credit if not all correct but shows good faith effort. You may collaborate with anyone on labs assignments, but you must submit your own solutions. The lab assignments are intended to give you practice with specific important methods.

Project Assignments

You will conduct several analyses using R on JupyterHub to explore stock market data, construct, evaluate, and tune your own data analytic models, and recommend an investment portfolio. You are provided some of the expected outputs for some of the analyses, but you write the necessary R code. Project assignments with due dates are listed on bCourses and available on Haas JupyterHub. Each

project submission will normally be graded as full credit if mostly correct, half credit if not all correct but shows good faith effort. You may collaborate with anyone on the project assignments, but you must produce and submit your own original solutions. The project assignments are intended to give practice applying the full data-to-decision process.

Quizzes

You will take 3 online quizzes to demonstrate your working knowledge of business analytics. Quiz assignments with due dates (course end) are listed on bCourses. They will be scoped to take less than 1 hour each, but you will have 3 hours each to take them any time during the course so that you can do so at your convenience. You can use notes, internet resources, and other materials, but you are not allowed to collaborate with anyone on the quizzes.

Professionalism

You should submit lab and project solutions **by their due dates**. If you are unable to submit them on time, then you should still submit them by course end.

You should submit quiz solutions **by course end**.

Participation is required. You can participate by a combination of class attendance with video on, office hour attendance, posting/answering questions on bCourses > Discussions, and/or posting/commenting on article reviews on bCourse > Discussions.

Performance Evaluation

Your course grade will be evaluated based on meeting minimum performance standards and your relative performance within the class.

Lab Assignments: 20%

Project Assignments:

Parts A, B, C, D, E: 15%

Part F (All Together Now): 15%

Quizzes:

Quiz 1: 10%

Quiz 2: 10%

Quiz 3: 10%

Professionalism:

All lab and project assignments submitted by course end: 10%

All lab and project assignments submitted by due dates: 5%

Participation: 5%

Instructor Biography <https://haas.berkeley.edu/faculty/richard-huntsinger>

Extenuating Circumstances

Normally, extensions to assignment due dates are accommodated only for medical or other serious emergencies that could not have been mitigated by reasonable time management discipline. Per UC Berkeley and Haas policy, it is the student's responsibility to notify the instructor of such circumstances in advance if possible, or if not possible then as soon as possible thereafter.

Accommodation for Disabled Students Program (DSP) Students

Official DSP students requesting special accommodations are subject to the following:
To receive an accommodation, you must visit the instructor during office hours (or by appointment, if necessary) in advance of the assignment due date to discuss the logistics of the requested accommodation.

Accommodation for University-Required Travel

Members of an official university-sponsored organization (for example, an athletic team) that requires travel on the day of a scheduled exam are subject to the following:
To receive an accommodation, you must visit the instructor during office hours (or by appointment, if necessary) in advance of the due date to discuss the logistics of the requested accommodation.

Requesting Score Corrections

Any request for score corrections must be made within 1 week of the return of the assignment.

Academic Integrity

Any commission of academic dishonesty, including receiving or giving unauthorized assistance during an exam, will be immediately referred to the campus student conduct committee, with the instructor's recommendation of a final course grade of F and suspension from the university.

For more about academic integrity, see the following:

- <https://groups.haas.berkeley.edu/AcademicAffairs/Bylaws/documents/Policy%20on%20Academic%20Dishonesty.pdf>
- http://www.haas.berkeley.edu/Undergrad/academic_dishonesty.html
- <http://sa.berkeley.edu/conduct/integrity>
- http://www.haas.berkeley.edu/Undergrad/academic_guidelines.html

Safety

See UC Coronavirus Information website at <https://news.berkeley.edu/coronavirus/> for latest news and policy announcements.

See the UC Police Department website at <http://ucpd.berkeley.edu/crime-prevention-strategies-and-services> for crime prevention strategies and services.

If you have not already done so, you are urged to sign up for the "WarnMe" campus alert and warning system. To learn more visit <http://warnme.berkeley.edu/>.

Week	Date	Methods & Applications	Mon May 24	Lab Due	Wed Jun 2	Project Due
1	Mon May 24	Introduction				
		Intuition, Statistics, & Data in Business				
		Data-to-Decision Methodology				
		Syllabus & Teaching Plan				
		Primer for Jupyter				
		Primer for R				
		Data				
		Data Retrieval				
		Data Manipulation				
		Data Exploration				
		Descriptive Statistics				
		Synthetic Variables				
		Cross-Tabulation				
		Data Visualization				
2		Primer for R ggplot2				
		Primer for R rgl				
		Political Campaign Fundraising				
		Kernel Density Estimation with Probability Density				
		Iowa Liquor Sales Trends				
		Data Representation				
		Variable Types				
		Dummy Variables				
		Balancing				
		Imputing				
		Aligning				
		HOLIDAY				
		Principal Component Analysis				
		Cluster Analysis				
		Cluster Analysis & Evaluation				
		Methodology				
		Model Performance Measures				
		Model Construction Methods				
		Gaussian Mixture Model by Expectation-Maximization				
		Hierarchical Agglomeration				
		k-Means				
		Fortune 500 Workforce Diversity				
		NCHS Customer Segmentation				

Week	Date	Methods & Applications	Mon Jun 14	Lab Due	Mon Jun 21	Project Due
3	Mon Jun 7	Classification		Lab 08 Classifier Evaluation		Project C Classification
		Lending Tree Loan Risk				
		Classification & Evaluation				
		Methodology				
		Confusion Matrix				
		Model Performance Measures: accuracy, etc				
		Business Performance Measures				
		Cross-Validation				
	Wed Jun 9	Model Construction Methods				
		Naïve Bayes	Mon Jun 14	Lab 09 Naïve Bayes		
4	Fri Jun 11	SATO Customer Churn Intervention				
		Model Tuning for Classifier				
		Forward Variable Selection				
		Backward Variable Selection				
		Hyper-Parameter Selection				
		Model Construction Methods continued				
		Support Vector Machine	Wed Jun 16	Lab 10 Support Vector Machine		
	Mon Jun 14	Scania Predictive Maintenance				
		Perceptron	Mon Jun 21	Lab 11 Neural Network		
		Neural Network				
	Wed Jun 16	Facial Recognition (maybe)				
		Logistic Regression				
		Decision Tree				
		k Nearest Neighbors				
		Credit Card Fraud Detection				
	Fri Jun 18	Multinomial Classification	Mon Jun 21	Lab 12 Multinomial Classification		
		Multinomial Forms				
		One vs Many				
		One vs One				

Week	Date	Methods & Applications	Mon Jun 28	Lab Due	Project Due
5	Mon Jun 21	Regression	Mon Jun 28	Lab 13 Regression	Project D Regression
		Regression & Evaluation			
		Model Performance Measures: RMSE, MAPE, etc			
		Business Performance Measures			Project E Deployment
		Cross-Validation			
		Model Construction Methods			
		Linear Regression			
		More Regression			
	Wed Jun 23	Call Center Scheduling			
		Model Tuning for Regressor			
		Ensemble Methods	Mon Jun 28	Lab 14 Ensemble Methods	
		Bagging			
		Boosting			
		Stacking			
	Fri Jun 25	Special Data Types	Wed Jun 30	Lab 15 Special Data Types	
6		Text Data			
		Hotel Customer Satisfaction			
		Time Series Data			
		Electricity Demand			
	Mon Jun 28	Social Network Data			
		Descriptive Statistics & PageRank			
		Collaborative Filtering			
		Enterprise Software Marketing			
	Wed Jun 30	CATCH-UP DAY			Project F All Together Now
	Fri Jul 2	Project Presentations			