

Description of variables in the studentEvals data set

This data is the answers from students during their course evaluations for the academic year 2016-2017.

Variables

deptCode An integer identifying the department that the course came from. The particular department prefixes have been removed to preserve anonymity.

reasonTaking Student's reason for taking the course. Code: 1=elective, 2=college requirement, 3=major/minor

percentCompleted Percent of assignments completed. Code: 1=25%-50% 2=50%-75% 3=75%-90% 4=90%-100%

workload Course workload in student's opinion. Code: 1=Very light 2=Light 3=Moderate 4=Heavy 5=Very heavy 6=Unreasonable

initialInterest Student's interest in the course prior to taking it Code: 1=Very low 2=Low 3=Medium 4=High 5=Very high

amountLearned Amount learned in the class Code: 1=nothing 2=little 3=average amount 4=a lot 5=exceptional amount

relativeDifficulty Relative difficulty of the course compared to other courses, in the student's opinion. Code: 1=less difficult 2=equally difficult 3=more difficult

interestInArea How the student's interest in the area changed as a result of taking the course. Code: 1=has decreased 2=stayed the same 3=has increased

recommendCourse Whether the student would recommend the course to others. Code: 1=No 2=Yes

recommendInstructor Whether the student would take another course from this instructor, if it was in an area of interest to the student and fitting the student's schedule. Code: 1=No 2=Yes