

Modeling Intensive Repeated Measures Data

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This workshop will address quantitative research using intensive repeated measures (longitudinal) data, such as collected in multiple-baseline intervention designs (e.g., multiple observations for each subject during baseline, intervention, and follow-up), or collected in ecological momentary assessment designs (e.g., over multiple days per respondent, and potentially multiple observations per day). The workshop will have a conceptual, applied focus, largely concentrating on the correspondence between research questions, study designs, and how different statistical models (e.g., multilevel/mixed-effects/hierarchical linear models; “dynamic” structural equation models) can be used to optimally provide the answers needed. The workshop is designed for anyone who wishes to learn more about planning and executing longitudinal research (students, postdocs, faculty, and staff). Previous background in general linear models (e.g., regression and analysis of variance) will be helpful, as an important topic to be covered is how models for intensive repeated measures data necessarily differ from general linear models. Resources will also be provided for how one might estimate the models for the examples described, such as within SPSS, SAS, Stata, R, and Mplus analysis software.

Day	Topic
May 31	Lecture 1: Introduction to Concepts and Terminology in Longitudinal Modeling
June 1	Lecture 2: Time-Invariant Predictors and Treatment Effects in Longitudinal Models
June 2	Lecture 3: Time-Varying Predictors and Their Levels of Relations in Longitudinal Models
June 3	Lecture 4: Three-Level Longitudinal Models for Ecological Momentary Assessment Data

Suggested Readings:

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