BSCS 802: Data Management and Analysis

Course Objectives:

This course has been designed with the objectives of:

- Instilling the ability to process and manage raw data or information gathered from the field of investigation and to make the data refined, cleaned, organized and structured
- Enabling the students for utilizing number of processes including data editing and data coding
- Explaining the meaning of SPSS and its importance as a valuable resource for data analysis in communication or social science research

Course Outcomes:

After studying this course, the students will be able to:

• Detect any possible incorrect entries or errors and rectify them before complex data analysis

- Make decisions regarding the appropriateness of certain recorded responses
- Propose necessary modifications where information has been given in units other than the one specified
- Apply analysis, summary of statistical tools and conditions for using them, and to make postanalysis evaluation of any specific research project undertaken

Course Outline:

- Data Processing and Management
 - Data screening, editing
- Data Coding
 - Qualitative coding
- Quantitative coding
- The Use of Computer in Data Processing and Analysis
 - Data analysis and interpretation of results
 - Data presentation through the application of appropriate techniques
 - Wrong application of statistical techniques for data analysis
 - The tendency to overproduce statistical tables
- Statistical Package for Social Sciences (SPSS) program
 - How to use SPSS system or program package
- Steps In using SPSS To test hypothesis
- Data Analysis in Communication Research
 - Types and sources of data
 - Measurement of data
 - Meaning and types of data analysis
 - o Major Descriptive Statistical tools and how to apply them
 - i. Univariate Frequency Distribution Tables (FDT)
 - ii. Bivariate FDT
 - iii. Multivariate FDT
 - o Major Inferential statistical tools and how to apply them
 - Post analysis evaluation

Recommended Readings:

- 1. Lucey, T. (1998). Quantitative Techniques-An Instructional Manual. London: Dp Publications Ltd.
- 2. Management a Global Perspective, Weilrich and Koontz, 9th ed. McGraw Hill, 1994.
- 3. Managing Media Organizations, John Lavaine, Longman, 1994.
- 4. Media Management, Ardyth B. Sohn, Lawrance Erlebaum, London, 1999.
- 5. Strategic Newspaper Management, Conrad C. Fink, SIUP, Carbondale, 1999.
- 6. Rucker and Williams News paper organization and Management-Iowa state college Press. Iowa 1958.
- 7. Newspaper Organization and Management, Hervert L. William, 1994.
- 8. Rucker Frank News Papers Circulation. Iowa state college press Iowa.