

## Institute of Statistics



### STAT2430A Statistical Computing: introduction

[6h+6h exercises] 2.5 credits

This course is taught in the 1st semester

Language: French

Level: Second cycle

#### Aims

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At the end of this course, the students will have gain a critical view of the different classes of statistical software available on the market and basic culture on statistical algorithms and graphics. They will also be able to realise basic statistical analysis with different software (SAS, S-Plus, R, Excel, SPSS...) and write programs in the S and SAS programming languages.

#### Main themes

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- Classes of statistical software
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#### Other information (prerequisite, evaluation (assessment methods), course materials recommended readings, ...)

##### Prerequisites

Basic course in statistics and capability to work on a personnel computer.

##### Teaching materials

See web site : [www.stat.ucl.ac.be/cours/stat2430](http://www.stat.ucl.ac.be/cours/stat2430)

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