Discipline Specific Elective
Category V

DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC ELECTIVE COURSE –4A: BIOSTATISTICS

CREDIT DISTRIBUTION, ELIGIBILITY, AND PRE-REQUISITES OF THE COURSE

Course title & Code	Credits	Credit distribution of the course			Eligibility criteria	Pre-requisite of the course (if any)
		Lecture	Tutorial	Practical/ Practice		
Biostatistics	4	3	0	1	Class XII pass with Mathematics.	knowledge of Statistical Inference and stochastic processes

Learning objectives:
- Parametric Models for Survival data.
- Different types of censoring and its application in public health.
- Estimation of death probabilities by using the theory of competing risks.
- Non-parametric methods for incomplete survival data.
- Computation of the probability of gametes in different generations under random mating.

Learning Outcomes:
After completing this course, students will develop a clear understanding of:
- The fundamental concepts of survival functions and their interrelationship.
- Survival models and their applications.
- Handling censored data and estimating mean survival time of the patients.
- Actuarial and Kaplan-Meier methods.
- Competing Risk Theory.
- Basic concept of Statistical genetics.

SYLLABUS OF DSE-4A
Theory

UNIT I   **(11 Hours)**
Survival Analysis
Survival Analysis: Functions of survival times, survival distributions and their applications exponential, gamma, Weibull, Rayleigh, lognormal, death density function for a distribution having bath-tub shaped hazard function.

UNIT II   **(13 Hours)**
Censoring Schemes
Censoring Schemes: Type I, Type II and progressive or random censoring with biological examples. Estimation of mean survival time and variance of the estimator for Type I and Type II censored data with numerical examples. Non-parametric methods: Actuarial and Kaplan-Meier methods for estimating survival function and variance of the Estimator.

UNIT III (10 Hours)
Competing Risk Theory:
Indices for measurement of the probability of death under competing risks and their inter-relations. Estimation of probabilities of death using maximum likelihood method and modified chi squire method.

UNIT IV (11 Hours)
Statistical Genetics:
Statistical Genetics: Introduction, concepts-Genotype, Phenotype, Dominance, Recessiveness, Linkage and Recombination, Coupling, and Repulsion. Mendelian laws of Heredity, Random mating, Gametic array, Genotypic array, Relation between genotypic array and gametic array under random mating. Distribution of genotypes under random mating. Hardy-Weinberg law. Concept of gene frequencies.

PRACTICAL/ LAB. WORK (30 HOURS)
List of Practical:
1. Estimation of survival function, death density function and hazard function.
2. Estimation of mean survival time using various parametric survival models.
3. To Identify and analyse type-I censored data.
4. To Identify and analyse type-II censored data.
5. To Identify and analyse progressively type I censored data.
6. Estimation of mean survival time and variance of the estimator for type I censored data.
7. Estimation of mean survival time and variance of the estimator for type II censored data.
8. Estimation of mean survival time and variance of the estimator for progressively type I censored data.
9. To estimate the survival function and variance of the estimator using Actuarial methods.
10. To estimate the survival function and variance of the estimator using Kaplan-Meier method.
11. To estimate Crude probability of death.
12. To estimate Net-type I probability of death.
13. To estimate Net-type II probability of death.
14. To estimate partially crude probability of death.
15. To estimate gene frequencies.

Practical work to be conducted using electronic spreadsheet / EXCEL/ Statistical Software Package/ SPSS/ calculators.

ESSENTIAL READINGS:
- Biswas, S. (2007). Applied Stochastic Processes: A Biostatistical and Population Oriented Approach, Reprinted 2nd Ed., New Central Book Agency.
- Lee, E.T. and Wang, J.W. (2003). Statistical Methods for Survival data Analysis, 3rd Ed., John Wiley & Sons.
- Indrayan, A. (2008). Medical Biostatistics, 2nd Ed., Chapman and Hall/CRC.

SUGGESTIVE READINGS:
- Narayan P. (1999). Statistical Genetics, New Age International Pvt. Ltd.
- Miller, R. G. (2011). Survival Analysis. John Wiley & Sons.
- Elandt-Johnson R.C (1971).Probability models and Statistical Methods in Genetics, John Wiley & Sons.

Note: Examination scheme and mode shall be as prescribed by the Examination Branch University of Delhi, from time to time.