

Graduate Module Outline

Title: Time series analysis of non-stationary data in the Social Sciences

Instructor: Dr. J. Stephen Clark, Business & Social Sciences

Timing (month/year module will be offered): Fall 2009

Module Description:

In this module, students will learn about:

- 1) Stationary versus non-stationary data
- 2) Types of nonstationarity: Stochastic versus deterministic trends
- 3) Dickey Fuller unit root tests
- 4) The spurious regression problem
- 5) Cointegration

Text: Hamilton Time series analysis

Format:

Lecture and Laboratory, 3-4 weeks, 3 hours per week

Students will be required to study relevant background material and prepare a term paper.

Method of Evaluation:

The grade will be based on the term paper (100%)

Prerequisites:

AGRI5630 or equivalent or econometrics