

**Type/Status** : Core

**Course Code** : SOST 42424

**Title** : **Experimental Designs**

**Learning Outcomes** : On completion of this course unit students should be able to

- Translate an experimental description into a statistical model, including identify model restriction and assumptions.
- Develop appropriate hypothesis test and statistical comparisons for experimental design.
- Analyze experiments in the presence of common difficulties, including missing and unbalanced data.

**Course Content:**

- Introduction
- Terminology of experimental design
- Principles of experimental design
- Analysis of variance
- Completely randomized design
- Randomized block design
- Latin square design
- Analysis of covariance
- Missing plot techniques
- Factorial experiments
- Split –Plot design
- Balanced incomplete block design.

**Methods of teaching and learning:** lectures, tutorials and assignments

**Assessment scheme:**

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| Mid semester test/assignment | 30% |
| Semester end examination     | 70% |

**Recommended reading:**

Abderson V.L and Mclean R.A. (1974). *Designs of Experiments*, MerceL Dekker Inc.

Cox D.R. (1958). *Planning of Experiments*, John Wiley Sons, New York

Gupta, S.C. and Kapoor, V.K. (2007). *Experimental of Applied Statistic*, 4<sup>th</sup> Edition, Sultan Chand and Sons, New Delhi.