STA414H1/STA2104HS L0101 & L5101 – *Statistical Methods for Machine Learning II*

Probabilistic foundations of supervised and unsupervised learning methods such as naive Bayes, mixture models, and logistic regression. Gradient-based fitting of composite models including neural nets. Exact inference, stochastic variational inference, and Markov chain Monte Carlo. Variational autoencoders and generative adversarial networks.

**Qualifications**

Academic background in Statistical Sciences. PhD student (or graduate) in actuarial science, statistics or biostatistics.

**Duties**

Any or all of the following: grading term tests, invigilating term tests and final exams, grading homework and/or quizzes, setting tutorial quizzes.

**Instructor:**

L0101: David Duvenaud & L5101: TBA

**Estimated Course Enrolment:**

300

**Tutorial Schedule:**

N/A

**Approximate Number of TA Hours:**

70 hours each

**Approximate Number of Positions:**

2

**Rate of Pay:**

UG/SGS I/II - $46.24/hour (+4% vacation pay)

Final availability of the position(s) is contingent upon enrolment, budgetary consideration and the determination of appointments as governed by the collective agreement.

**Application Process**

Application information is available at [https://www.statistics.utoronto.ca/employment-opportunities/cupe-positions-unit-1](https://www.statistics.utoronto.ca/employment-opportunities/cupe-positions-unit-1). The deadline to submit your application is **July 19, 2019**. For more information, you may contact:

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If during the application and/or selection process you require accommodation due to a disability, please contact [job-apps@utstat.utoronto.ca](mailto:job-apps@utstat.utoronto.ca).

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