

The IR Toolbox: Research Methods in Action

CAIR 2014 Program at a Glance

| Cells reflect the primary presenter and the featured research method / broad topical area only Refer to the reverse for complete titles and the official program for full descriptions of the sessions | | | | | | |
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| Time Span | Qualitative Track (Salon A) | Quantitative Track (Salon B) | The IR Professional (Salon D) | Workshops (Salon E) | Workshops (Gaslamp 2) | Food & Beverage |
| Wednesday, November 19th | | | | | | |
| 8:00-9:00 | Independent (for-profit) Segment Meeting (Sato) | California State University Segment Meeting (Sullivan) | University of California Segment Meeting (Hurley) | CCC segment meeting begins at 10 a.m. | Workshop begins 9 a.m. | |
| 9:00-10:00 | | | | | | |
| 10:00-12:00 | Independent (non-profit) Segment Meeting (Norman) | | | CA Community Colleges Segment Meeting (Newell) | Predictive Analytics (Lopez - IBM/SPSS) | Coffee & Snacks (9:45 a.m.) |
| 12:00-1:30 | Lunch on Your Own | | | | | |
| 1:45-2:30 | Opening Keynote (Adelman) (Salon C) | | | | | |
| 2:45-3:30 | Text Analytics (Haugh/eXplorance) | Association Rules Mining (Karimi) | Dashboarding (Philip/Tableau) | Structural Equation Modeling (Huber - Stata) | Regression Discontinuity Session #1 (Johnson) | |
| 3:45-4:30 | Construct Validity (Murry) | Fixed Effects (Gurantz) | Business Intelligence (Murphy)* | | | |
| 4:45-5:30 | Case Studies (Sullivan) | Case-control Matching (Taing)* | Mentoring IR Professionals (Brown) | | | |
| 5:30-7:30 | President's Reception feat. light jazz by Pliny and the Elders (East & South Foyer) | | | | | Appetizers & Libations |
| Thursday, November 20th | | | | | | |
| 7:00-9:00 | Networking / Table Talk Discussions (East & South Foyer / Salon C) | | | | | Full Breakfast |
| 9:00-9:45 | Focus Groups (Hernandez)* | Structural Equation Models (Kim) | Facilitation Skills (Hasson) | Propensity Score Matching Session #1 (DesJardins) | Instrumental Variables Session #1 (Pike) | |
| 10:00-10:45 | Interviews (Naganand)* | Survival Analysis (Love) | Data Visualization (Hershey) | | | Coffee & Tea (9:45 a.m.) |
| 11:00-11:45 | Memoing/Frequencies (Otterbach) | Simpson Probability Indexes (Garcia) | Building an IR Brand (Brown)* | | | |
| 12:00-1:45 | RAND Methods Panel (Ryan, Setodji, & Weidmer) (The Gallery) | | | | | Lunch |
| 2:00-2:45 | Assessment (Forgues/CampusLabs) | Ensemble Predictions (Albawaneh)* | Benchmarking (Jones/US News) | Propensity Score Matching Session #2 (DesJardins) | Instrumental Variables Session #2 (Pike) | |
| 3:00-3:45 | Focus Groups (Garrett) | Propensity Score Matching (Fuenmavor)* | Data Stewardship (Flack Potts) | | | Coffee & Snacks (2:45 p.m.) |
| 4:00-4:45 | Text Analytics (Zheng) | Factor Analysis (Austin) | Dashboarding (Le)* | | | |
| Friday, November 21st | | | | | | |
| 7:00-9:00 | Networking / Table Talk Discussions (East & South Foyer / Salon C) | | | | | Full Breakfast |
| 9:00-9:45 | Thematic Coding (Potter) | Propensity Score Matching (Willett) | Workload Reports (Hardy) | Data Visualization (Konsdorf)* | Regression Discontinuity Session #2 (Johnson) | |
| 10:00-10:45 | Survey Research (Stolzenberg) | Decision Trees (Newell)* | Data Management (Garrett) | Data Visualization (Hourani - SAS)* | | Coffee & Tea (9:45 a.m.) |
| 11:00-11:45 | Thematic Coding (Zhang)* | Chi-squared (Marks) | Pivot Tables (Martinez) | | | |
| 12:00-1:45 | IBM Watson Keynote (Murdock) (Salon C / Optional Seating in South Foyer) | | | | | Lunch |

Session Titles & Presenters

| Qualitative Track | |
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| Murry, W. (Mod: Feinstein, B.) | Construct Validity & Reliability: Is Your Student-Faculty Teaching Evaluation Legally Defensible? |
| Sullivan E., Swarat, S., Moon, S., & Karimi A. (Mod: Moloney, K.) | Case Study Research: Establishing Expectations For Campus Approved High Impact Practices |
| Hernandez, H. (Mod: Wolf, C.) | WASC's New Grad Rate Dashboard: Understanding Pilot Institutions' Experiences Using A Live Focus Group Demonstration |
| Naganand, A. & Daly, B. (Mod: Mason, B.) | Becoming an IR Visionary - An Interview with Robert Daly |
| Otterbach, R. (Mod: Luedtke, J.) | Developing A Theoretical Model For Student Retention And Services From Qualitative Data Using Multiple Coding Methods: Frequency Counts, Thematic Coding, And Memoing |
| Garrett, N. & Feinstein, B. (Mod: Moloney, K.) | How To Use Focus Groups To Win Friends And Influence People |
| Zheng, X. (Mod: Chang, K.) | Text Analytics Of Open-Ended Survey Data: Techniques And Applications |
| Potter, C. (Mod: Sorell, R.) | Academically Prepared But Still Worried: Thematic Coding To Investigate Survey Item Validity |
| Stolzenberg, E. & Harrison, D. (Mod: Daly, B.) | From Administration To Z-Scores: An Overview Of Survey Research |
| Zhang, Y. & Hill, Y. (Mod: Herron, W.) | Understanding Why Students Leave: Using Thematic Analysis To Analyze Open-Ended Question Data |
| Quantitative Track | |
| Karimi, A. & Sullivan, E. (Mod: Lopez-Wagner, M.) | Applying The Association Rules Mining Technique To Identify Critical Graduation Pathway Courses |
| Gurantz, O. (Mod: Rosales, J.) | Using Fixed Effects To Estimate How Class Size Impacts Performance In Community College |
| Taing, A. & Carollo, T. (Mod: Powers, K.) | Case Control Matching With SPSS: A Tool To Reduce Selection Bias In Common IR Studies |
| Kim, Y. & Lundberg, C. (Mod: Belokurova, G.) | The Relationship Between Student/Faculty Interaction and Cognitive Skills Development: An Examination Using Structural Equation Modeling |
| Love, J. (Mod: Wahl, K.) | Using Survival Analysis To Analyze Degree Completion |
| Garcia, P. & Case, M. (Mod: vanOmmen, A.) | Quantifying Diversity at the CSU Using Simpson's Index and Shannon's Entropy |
| Albawaneh, M., Belokurova, G., & Egbert, J. (Mod: Briggs, J.) | Ensemble Predictions of Graduates' Success at High-Stakes Licensure Examinations |
| Fuenmayor, A. & Hetts, J. (Mod: Fuller, R.) | Using Propensity Score Matching To Facilitate Discussion Of Program Effectiveness (For Long Beach City College's Promise Pathway) |
| Austin, A.J. (Mod: Leigh, T.) | Student Loyalty And Satisfaction: Constructing Scales Using Factor Analysis |
| Willett, T. & Hayward, C. (Mod: Ballard, S.) | Blending Propensity Score Matching and Logistic Regression in Support Service Evaluations |
| Newell, M., Willett, T., Hetts, J., & Hayward, C. (Mod: Herron, W.) | Using Decision Trees To Predict Student Placement And Course Success |
| Marks, J. & Talsania, B. (Mod: Le, M.) | Using Chi-Squared Tests to Understand Veteran Student Composition at CSU San Marcos |
| The IR Professional | |
| Murphy, B. (Mod: Wolf, C.) | Business Intelligence On A Dime |
| Brown, H. (Mod: Daly, B.) | Mentoring New IR Professionals |
| Hasson, C. & Zhang, X. (Newell, M.) | Facilitating Data-Informed Discussions That Lead To Action |
| Hershey, J., Moon, S., Karimi, A., & Stern, B. (Mod: Ozturk, M.) | The Power Of Data Visualization Tools And Techniques To Change The Campus Conversation: An Examination Of Gateway And Bottleneck Courses |
| Brown, P. & Masten, C. (Mod: Le, M.) | Building An IR Brand: From Behind The Computer To A Seat At The Table |
| Flack Potts, K. (Mod: Wahl, K.) | Keeping Everyone On The Same Page: IR And Data Stewardship |
| Le, M. & Rogulkin, D. (Mod: Pavelchak, M.) | Designing Public And Private Dashboards In Tableau: Best Practices |
| Hardy, N. & Wang, J. (Brown, H.) | The Development Of Annual Faculty Workload Reports |
| Konsdorf, K. (Mod: Murry, W.) | Engaging Analytics at Sinclair Community College (precedes SAS Workshop; advance registration required) |
| Garrett, N. (Mod: Powers, K.) | Improved Data Wrangling And Validation In Excel |
| Martinez, D. (Mod: Torres, D.) | Pivot Tables As Change Agents: How To Create And Use Them To Improve IR Presence On Campus |
| Quasi-Experimental Design and Other Workshops (Advance Registration Required) | |
| Lopez, C. (Mod: Baez, J.) | From Admission to Advancement: Using Predictive Analytics to Focus Marketing, Retention, and Outreach Efforts |
| Johnson, R. (Mod: Wrona, M.) | Regression Discontinuity: A Causal Modeling Approach to Non-randomized Interventions (Offered Twice) |
| Huber, C. (Mod: Baez, J.) | Generalized Structural Equation Modeling in Stata |
| Pike, G. (Mod: Cherland, R.) | Using Instrumental Variables Analysis in Institutional Research and Program Evaluation (Offered Twice) |
| DesJardins, S. (Mod: Coyne, G.) | Applying Propensity Score Matching in IR (Offered Twice) |
| Hourani, D. (Mod: Baez, J.) | Your Day Made Easier: Bring your IR Data to Life with SAS Visual Analytics |
| Sponsored Presentations | |
| Haugh, I. (Mod: Nonoyama, A.) | Blue Text Analytics: Unlocking Hidden Themes From Your Open-Ended Student Feedback |
| Jones, E. (Mod: Hasson, C.) | Using U.S. News & World Report Academic Insights to Benchmark Your College or University Program |
| Forgues, D. & LaCount, S. (Mod: Ballard, S.) | Authentic Assessment in Student Affairs: How CSU Fullerton's Division of Student Affairs Used a CampusLabs Rubric to Assess Their Orientation Leaders' Public Speaking Skills |
| Philip, T. (Mod: Brown, H.) | The Blueprint for Making an Impact with Data in Higher Education |

* Presenter has requested internet access for their laptop.