

# Current Topics in Educational Psychology: Meta-Analysis ED PSYCH 711-003 – Spring 2023-24

# **Tentative Schedule & Readings**

# **Explanation of Readings**

- **Primary** readings cover the core content of the topic.
- **Alternative** readings cover most of the same material as the primary reading on the same topic, but usually at a simpler level of statistical detail.
- **Recommended** readings provide further important details on the topic, or are very well-conducted studies that add new insights to the topic.
- **Further** readings cover more technical or specialized content, in case you are interested in delving in beyond what is covered in class.

## **Key to Abbreviations**

HRSMA: Cooper, H., Hedges, L. V., & Valentine, J. C. (Eds.). (2019). *The Handbook of Research Synthesis and Meta-Analysis*, 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition. Russell Sage Foundation.

IMA: Borenstein, M., Hedges, L. V., Higgins, J. P., & Rothstein, H. R. (2011). *Introduction to Meta-Analysis*. John Wiley & Sons.

#### Schedule

2021-01-23 – Course introduction: Systematic review, research synthesis, and meta-analysis

Primary: HRSMA, chapter 1Alternative: IMA, chapter 1

#### 2021-01-25 – Problem formulation

Primary: HRSMA, chapter 2Alternative: IMA, chapter 2

# 2021-01-30 - Systematic search

• Primary: HRSMA, chapters 5-6

## 2021-02-01 – More on systematic search

- Recommended: HRSMA, chapter 4
- Further: Kugley et al. (2016). Searching for studies: A guide to information retrieval for Campbell Systematic Reviews.
- Further: Gusenbauer & Haddaway (2020)

# 2021-02-06 – Coding study characteristics

• Primary: HRSMA, chapters 7-8

• Recommended: HRSMA, chapter 9

# 2021-02-08 – Effect size calculations: Overview, standardized mean differences

• Primary: HRSMA, sections 11.1-11.2

• Alternative: IMA, chapters 3-4

#### 2021-02-13 – Effect size calculations: More on standardized mean differences

• Primary: HRSMA, sections 11.7-11.8

# 2021-02-15 – Effect size calculations: Even more on standardized mean differences

- Recommended: Taylor, Pigott, & Williams (2022). Promoting knowledge accumulation about intervention effects: Exploring strategies for standardizing statistical approaches and effect size reporting.
- Further: https://www.jepusto.com/alternative-formulas-for-the-smd/
- Further: Hedges (2007). Effect sizes in cluster-randomized designs.

## 2021-02-20 – Effect size calculations: odds ratios, response ratios

• Primary: HRSMA, sections 11.4-11.5

• Alternative: IMA, chapter 5

#### 2021-02-22 – Effect size calculations: correlations, conversions

- Primary: HRSMA, sections 11.3, 11.6, 11.9
- Alternative: IMA, chapter 6

## 2021-02-27 – Basic synthesis: fixed effects models

- Primary: HRSMA, sections 12.1-12.2
- Alternative: IMA, chapters 10-11
- Further: Rice, Higgins, & Lumley (2017)

## 2021-02-29 – Basic synthesis: random effects models

- Primary: Hedges & Vevea (1998)
- Alternative: IMA, chapters 12-13
- Further: Higgins, Thompson, & Spiegelhalter (2009)

# 2021-03-05 – Interpreting effect size magnitude

- Primary: HRSMA, chapter 19
- Recommended: Bloom, Hill, Black, & Lipsey (2008)
- Recommended: Kraft (2020)
- Further: Funder & Ozer (2019)
- Further: Simpson (2017)
- Further: Schafer & Schwarz (2019)

## 2021-03-07 – Interpreting heterogeneity

- Primary: HRSMA, chapter 20
- Alternative: IMA, chapters 15-16
- Further: Borenstein et al. (2017)
- Further, Mathur & Vanderweele (2018, 2020)

## 2021-03-12 – Explaining heterogeneity: sub-group analysis and meta-regression

- Primary: HRSMA, sections 12.3-12.6
- Alternative: IMA, chapters 19-21

## 2021-03-14 – More meta-regression

#### 2021-03-19 – Model diagnostics

• Primary: Viechtbauer & Cheung (2010)

# 2021-03-21 – Selective reporting and publication bias

• Primary: HRSMA, Chapter 18

#### 2021-04-02 – More on selective reporting and publication bias

- Recommended: Carter, Schonbrodt, McCullagh, & Hilgard (2019).
- Recommended: McShane, Bockenholt, & Hansen (2016)

#### 2021-04-04 – Multi-level meta-analysis

• Primary: Konstantopoulos (2011)

#### 2021-04-09 – More on multi-level meta-analysis

# 2021-04-16 – Dependent effect sizes

- Primary: Gleser & Olkin (2009)
- Alternative: IMA, chapters 22-26

#### 2021-04-18 – Handling dependent effect sizes: Multivariate models

- Primary: HRSMA, sections 13.1-13.3
- Recommended: Becker (2000)

# 2021-04-23 – Handling dependent effect sizes: Robust variance estimation

- Primary: HRSMA, sections 13.4-13.6
- Recommended: Tanner-Smith, Tipton, & Polanin (2016)

#### 2021-04-25 – More on robust variance estimation

• Recommended: Pustejovsky & Tipton (2021)

## 2021-04-30 – More on selective reporting and publication bias

- Primary: Rodgers & Pustejovsky (2020)
- Recommended: Mathur & Vanderweele (2020)
- Further: Cairo et al. (2020)
- Further: Pigott et al. (2013)
- Further: Kvaaren et al. (2019) plus commentary

## 2021-05-02 – Reporting standards and criticisms of meta-analysis

- Primary: HRSMA, Chapter 23
- Primary: Shea et al. (2018).
- Primary: Applebaum et al. (2018). Focus on Table 9, the Meta-Analysis Reporting Standards.

- Recommended: Moreau & Gamble (2020)
- Recommended: Lakens, Hilgaard, & Staaks (2016)