

# Lance Nail + Gwen Pate = Regression Analysis?

## *Interesting Fall 2011 Course Offering*

A recent check of the USM Class Schedule Guide for fall 2011 revealed an interesting business administration course offering. That offering is contained in the insert below:

7248	BA	250	H002	1	1.0	Bus Sch Exp	12:00PM-12:50PM	W	JGH 116	YEEND, AMY	210	198	Open
7249	BA	250	H003	1	1.0	Bus Sch Exp	02:25PM-03:15PM	R	JGH 104	YEEND, AMY	56	56	Closed
7483	BA	303	H003	8W1	1.0	Regression Analysis	09:30AM-10:45AM	M W	JGH 201	NAIL, LANC PATE, GWEN	56	29	Open
7484	BA	303	H004	8W1	1.0	Regression Analysis	10:00AM-10:50AM	M W F	JGH 214	NAIL, LANC PATE, GWEN	52	17	Open
9263	BA	310	H001	1	3.0	Professional Ethics	02:00PM-03:15PM	M W	JGH 104	JOHNSTON, LORI PATE, GWEN	40	19	Open
9264	BA	310	H002	1	3.0	Professional Ethics	12:00PM-01:15PM	M W	JGH 104	JOHNSTON, LORI	40	19	Open

As indicated above, there are two 8W1 sections of BA 303–Regression Analysis being presumably “team taught” by the tandem of CoB dean Lance Nail and CoB associate dean Gwen Pate. The first of these is offered on MW from 9:30AM until 10:45AM, and the second falls on MWF from 10:00AM until 10:50AM. The former has 29 of 56 seats filled, while the latter has 17 of 52 seats filled. It is interesting that the last 45 minutes of the MW class falls at the same time as the first 45 minutes of the MWF class, which itself lasts only 50 minutes total. There is no information yet as to how this tandem will “team teach” these courses. For example, it is not now known whether the two will shuffle up and down the Joseph Greene Hall stairwell, moving back and forth between JGH 201, where the MW is located, and JGH 214, where the MWF class is scheduled.

Sources tell USMNEWS.net that there is little, if any, indication that Pate is qualified to teach this course, even on a tandem basis. Though Nail would appear to be qualified, information received by USMNEWS.net indicates that a number of the CoB’s former economists – those faculty who were ejected from the CoB by Nail during 2009-10 – had little-to-no respect for Nail’s quantitative skills, and often expressed that view during hallway conversations over the 2008-09 and 2009-10 academic years. Finally, these BA 303 sections above provide students completing them with 1 hour of course credit. This represents a change the CoB made within the past few years. In fact, [the history of BA 303](#) is already one of the more controversial course histories in the CoB. This latest episode covered here is simply another chapter in that course’s controversial story.