

CCTS Biostatistics, Epidemiology & Research Design (BERD)

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MISSION

The CCTS **BERD** provides consultation, guidance, and expertise for study design, data management, and statistical analysis of research at UAB and throughout the UAB CCTS Partner Network. The purpose of this Core is to gather methodological expertise as a single coordinated resource and match individual methodological skills and interests with study-specific research needs.

SPECIFIC AIMS

1. To provide methodological collaboration in the design of a wide-array of study types (Pilot, Observational, Randomized) and funding mechanisms (Career Development (K), R series, Program Projects).
2. To provide methodological consultation on the design of databases, database quality control, and the statistical analysis of collected data
3. To provide continuing education in methodology approaches to the CCTS research base through methodology seminars, workshops, mini-courses, and on-line courses/material.

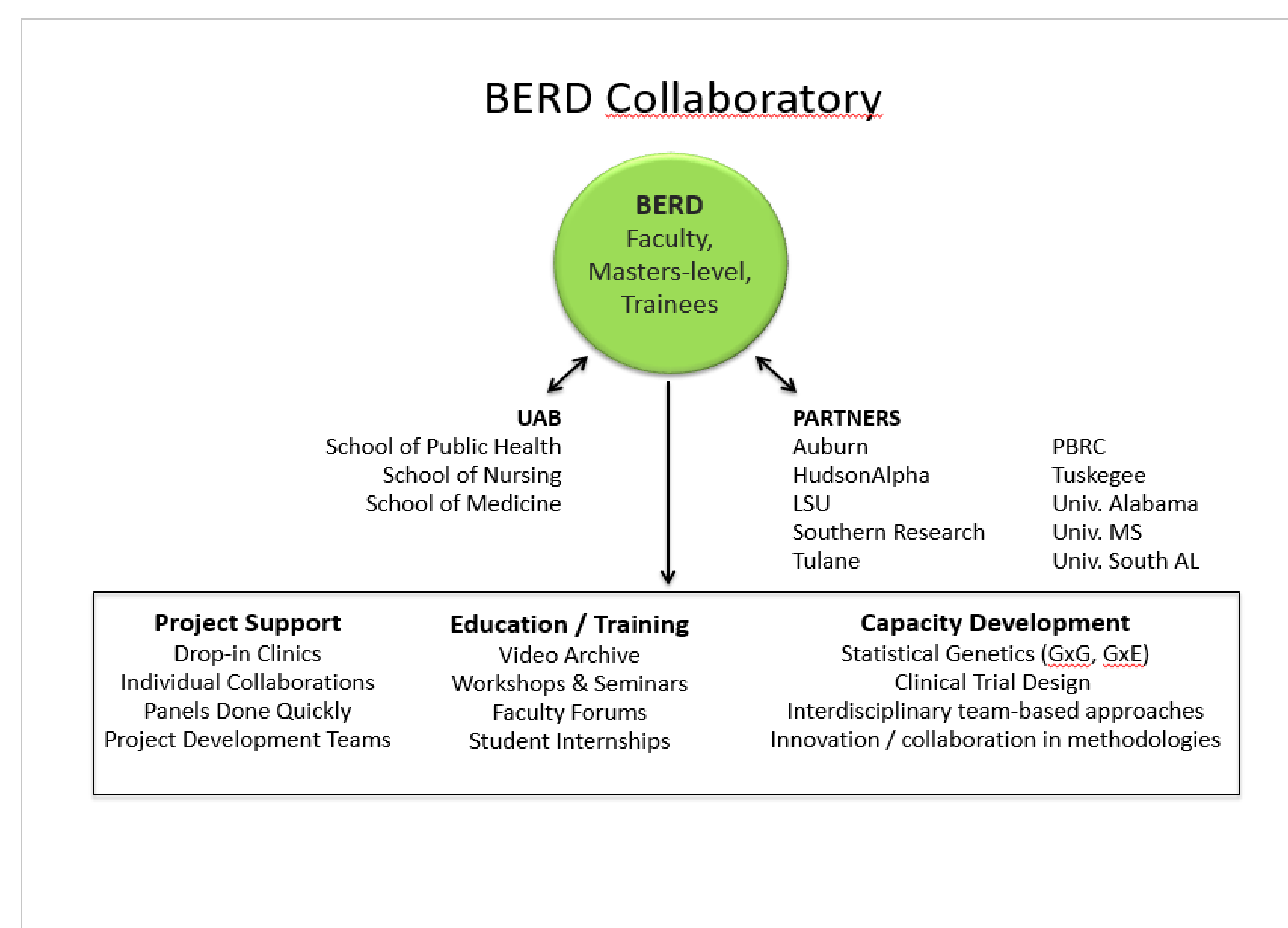
DROP-IN CLINICS OFFERING BIostatistics EXPERTISE FOR ANYONE

- ✓ Study Design
- ✓ Sample Size and Power Calculations
- ✓ Data Analysis
- ✓ Data Management
- ✓ Display of Data and Results
- ✓ Interpretation of Results
- ✓ Statistical Software

Mondays 10am to 2pm
in The Edge of Chaos

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Other times available by appointment
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Robert Oster, PhD Professor of Medicine. Dr. Oster has more than 20 years of experience in the design and analysis of clinical trials and medical and public health studies. He has been involved in the development and analysis of projects/grants in nutrition, diabetes, obesity, cancer, pediatric and adult pulmonology, nephrology and renal disease, and pathology. His statistical research interests include categorical data analysis, longitudinal data analysis, modern statistical computing methods, and clinical trials methodology.

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Peng Li, PhD Assistant Professor, Nursing. Dr. Li's research interests focus on the design and analysis of cluster randomized trials and large cohort studies. Dr. Li has broad collaborative research experience in study design and analysis, power/sample size calculations, data management, adaptive statistical methodologies. His scientific research areas are hypertension, liver cancer, rheumatology/osteoporosis, obesity/nutrition and child safety.

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