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Longitudinal and Value Added Modeling of Student Performance

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This book is based on the very well received Conference of the same name held on the University of Maryland Campus on November 7 and 8, 2005. This book presents a variety of chapters regarding the theory and application of Longitudinal (Growth) Modeling and Value Added determinations of Student Achievement. It is hoped that this book will be found to be stimulating to academics, psychometrics personnel, as well as to school practitioners who are concerned with the monitoring of student performance across time and the organization of schools to utilize this information to encourage maximizing student performance across time. Concerns include statistical theory, estimation issues, and a variety of approaches to modeling that have direct application to this school problem. NCLB has emphasized the status of Crosssectional Cohorts through the analysis of AYP measures. This is one approach to the problem of measuring school performance. This book is concerned with alternatives that will permit schools to model the performance of individual students with the hope that all students might eventually have their performance maximized as they progress through the school experience. This goal requires the field to develop new ways to measure such progress and new ideas for the use of such measures by the schools. We hope that this book will contribute to the research base for this topic leading to applications that enhance the success of schools.

The titles and authors of the fourteen chapters are as follows:

• Robert Lissitz, University of Maryland, Harold Doran, AIR, William Schafer, University of Maryland, and Joseph Willhoft, State of Washington

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