

Political Science 405: Linear Models (Winter 2017)

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Section: Thursdays 11:00am-11:50am, Scott Hall 201

Office Hours: Tuesdays 11am-1pm, Scott Hall 228

Purpose of section:

- The role of section is to supplement the lectures to help you succeed in the course. This means we will often clarify more complicated conceptual issues from lecture and/or work through R and problem sets. As necessary, we will also review problem set items that seem problematic. As a result, you will likely find it helpful to have your laptop with you.
- This format is flexible – if you find one activity/topic to be helpful and would like to see it repeated, please let me know. The same is true if you find something to be unhelpful.

Practical Items:

- I will post any materials I create for section on Canvas after section.
- Please check Canvas regularly for course readings, updates on assignments, and other communications from the me and Mary.
- Note that if you email me outside of typical working hours (8am to 7pm) or on weekends, I may not contact you until the next business day. I will do my best to respond to you as quickly as possible in these situations.
- If you email me after 4pm on Tuesday about the problem set due that day, I will likely not have time to respond to you before the problem set is due. The same holds for the midterm and final (no guarantee on emails an hour before the deadline)
- Any student with a disability requiring special accommodation should speak to AccessibleNU (847-467-5530 or accessiblenu@northwestern.edu) and Mary ASAP.

Office Hours:

- To attend office hours, please reserve a spot through the scheduler in the Canvas calendar. When you do so, please use the Comments section to briefly describe the topic you would like to discuss so other students who are interested in the same topic can come at the same time. If you need to schedule an appointment that is not open to other students, contact me directly to set up a time.
- If you would like to meet with me, please do everything you can to come to the scheduled office hours. If you need help and absolutely cannot come to my office hours, please email me, and we will find an alternative time to meet.

Important dates:

- Problem sets due on Tuesdays by 5pm via Canvas.
- Midterm – Parts 1 and 2 due on Canvas on Tuesday, January 31 at 5pm.
- Final – Tuesday, March 14th (in-class portion) from 3-5pm. Take home portion is due by 11:59pm Wednesday March 15th.