## Introduction to Social Data Analytics

Week 5: Class 10

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### Today: Data Wrangling in Stata

By the end of today's lecture, you should be able to:

- Some Applications of identifiers that we generated in previous class to differentiate between observations within a group
- Collapse a dataset to a coarser unit of analysis
- Identify whether a dataset is long or wide and reshape it from one to the other

Open class10.do if you haven't already.

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## Collapse to coarsen the unit of analysis

student	school	gpa	рор
1	Α	3.3	1411
2	Α	3.2	1411
3	В	2.9	2692
4	В	3.0	2692

ı	collapse (mean)
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ı	gpa pop, by(school)
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school	mean_gpa	mean_pop
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bysort year: egen femalemean = mean(female)

Compare your answers for 3c. with1b.

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### Changing data form: "long" vs "wide"

Often we have multiple entries of a given variable for the same unit (e.g. multiple GPAs for the same student observed once per quarter).

We can present these data as long or wide and convert between the two using reshape.

student	term	gpa
1	fall	3.3
1	spring	3.2
2	fall	2.9
2	spring	3.0

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Similarly, we can reshape back from wide form to long form

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### Class exercise: reshape

- Open dataset class10.dta use "class10.dta", replace
- Verify that the data is in *long* format
- reshape the data into  $\mbox{wide}$  format, ie.  $\mbox{person-year} \Rightarrow \mbox{person}$
- reshape back in **long** form, i.e.: person  $\Rightarrow$  person-year

### Here are the commands/operators we covered today:

- collapse
- ullet reshape wide
- $\bullet$  reshape long

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