

POL S 499: CAPP Undergraduate Fellows

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Our goal this quarter is to finalize regression results and prepare for the MGH Undergraduate Research Symposium scheduled for May 15. Although the Symposium will not take place in person, there are plans in motion to create virtual alternatives for everyone to showcase their research projects. Final papers will be due during the last week of class.

On a personal note, we are all living through an extraordinary, disruptive and deeply unsettling time. I want to be sure to emphasize that your physical and psychological health takes precedence over everything that we are doing in class. We are all facing tremendous uncertainty, insecurity and a range of hardships. Open communication with me and Bree will be crucial. Specifically, please let me know ASAP if you are experiencing difficulties related to illness, financial challenges or family circumstances. We will make every attempt to make appropriate accommodations so that you can successfully complete the CAPP program while also prioritizing your long-term well-being.

Important deadlines

March 31 – Descriptive statistics – DV & IV

April 7 – Bivariate regression results

April 14 – Multivariate regression results

April 21 – Multivariate regression & visualization

April 28 – Practice presentations

May 5 – Practice presentations

May 12 – Practice presentations

May 19 – Post-Symposium de-brief!

May 26 – Data replication

June 2 – Final paper due

Labs

April 9 – Robustness and model validation

April 16 – Visualization review

April 23 – Data replication