

# Soc 596: Computational Social Science

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01-02-Introduction to the course



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4. Students will *practice* the techniques needed to actually conduct their proposed research (optional).



*Bit by Bit:  
Social Research in the Digital Age*

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7. Lab (x5) [Optional] [let's discuss logistics]

How is on screen reading? Anything we can do to make it better?

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Who is else is here and what do we have to  
learn from each other?

About me

Why are you taking this class?  
Think-pair-share (on the board)

## About you

- ▶ Name
- ▶ Year
- ▶ Department/major
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- ▶ Past experiences or future plans

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