Greeting Students,

I hope this message finds you well.

Welcome to the Quantitative Skills strand for Foundations of Geography I! The entire teaching team – Alexander, Collins, Emma, Luc, Michael, Panpan, Philippa, and I – are excited and looking forward to supporting you in the upcoming RStudio computer practical sessions.

The purpose of this email is to help you prepare for tomorrow. I’ve created an online resource containing all the necessary information, including guidance notes and demonstration videos for navigating the materials and learning the R/RStudio programming language.

The online handbook is hosted on this webpage: [[GEOG0186: Quantitative Skills]](https://uclpg-msc-sgds.github.io/GEOG0186/00-module_overview.html) (you can also find it in Moodle under the section titled “Learning Materials and Activities”).

Room locations:

* Group A: 09:00am–10:00am, [Christopher Ingold Building G20 – Public Cluster](http://www.ucl.ac.uk/maps/christopher-ingold-building)
* Group B: 10:00am–11:00am, [Birkbeck Malet Street 422/423 – Public Cluster](https://maps.app.goo.gl/NPnPuS7PP7renp8Q6)
* Group C: 11:00am–12:00pm, [Birkbeck Malet Street 422/423 – Public Cluster](https://maps.app.goo.gl/NPnPuS7PP7renp8Q6)

Don’t worry if you can’t go through the content ahead of tomorrow! Just come tomorrow to your allocated group and we’ll get you started. Please note that there are several ways to access RStudio:

* Install it locally on your laptop (the most convenient option as it there with you)
* Access it via a UCL Workstation
* Access it remotely through Desktop@UCL Anywhere

I’ve explained all three options for you on this [[page]](https://uclpg-msc-sgds.github.io/GEOG0186/01-what_is_rstudio.html). Please take some time to look through it. You are welcome to bring your laptop or use the workspace in the above public cluster.

If, for any reason, you don’t see a group in your timetable, attend whichever session is most convenient for you. However, I strongly encourage you to reach out to [geog.office@ucl.ac.uk](mailto:geog.office@ucl.ac.uk) as soon as possible to confirm your group allocation.

Looking forward to seeing you tomorrow!

Best wishes,

Anwar.