Subject: **Welcome to POLS0008: Introduction to Quantitative Research Methods**

Dear Students,

Happy New Year! I hope this email finds you well and that your Term 2 is off to a great start. Welcome to POLS0008: Introduction to Quantitative Research Methods!

My name is Anwar Musah, and I am one of the module tutors, working alongside Stephen Jivraj. I would also like to take this opportunity to introduce the seminar tutors: Ricardo Mellado Labbe, Rob Davidson, and Tie Franco-Grotto. The team and I look forward to seeing you all soon.

This is a gentle reminder that Week 1 lectures for POLS0008 starts today! The 2-hour lecture will take place every **Tuesday from 12:00 PM to 02:00 PM** in the **Roberts Building, G06 Sir Ambrose Fleming LT**. I will deliver the first set of lectures for the initial four weeks, after which Stephen will take over from Week 5 onwards.

The computer seminars will occur every **Thursday from 10:00 AM to 03:00 PM** at 4 locations shown below. All students have been allocated to one of nine groups. Please go to your designated cluster room on that day to avoid confusion. The precise time and location for your group’s seminar are outlined in the table below:

**Group - Location & Times**

SEM 1 - Tavistock Square (35) G01, 10:00am-11:00am

SEM 2 - Cruciform Building Foyer 1.02 Seminar Room 2, 10:00am-11:00am

SEM 3 - Cruciform Building Foyer 1.02 Seminar Room 2, 11:00am-12:00pm

SEM 4 Tavistock Square (35) G01, 11:00am-12:00pm

SEM 5 Tavistock Square (35) G01, 12:00pm-01:00pm

SEM 6 IOE Bedford Way (20) Room 790, 12:00pm-01:00pm

SEM 7 IOE Bedford Way (20) Room W2.08, 01:00pm-02:00pm

SEM 8 IOE Bedford Way (20) Room 790, 01:00pm-02:00pm

SEM 9 IOE Bedford Way (20) Room W2.08, 02:00pm-03:00pm

These sessions will be facilitated by the seminar tutors: Ricardo Mellado Labbe, Rob Davidson, and Tie Franco-Grotto.

**About Moodle**

The POLS0008 module is now open to you on Moodle. Please take the opportunity to review the content posted there.

Your first stop should be the “**Before You Begin**” panel. Kindly read through the “**Module Outline 2024/2025**” PDF document carefully to understand what this module entails.

Next, proceed to the “**WK01: Understanding Data**” panel. Here, you will find access to all tutorials, the reading list, downloadable lecture slides, and datasets for the practical & seminar tutorial lessons for Week 1.

Please note that my materials specifically for Weeks 1–4 are hosted on a separate website. To access this content, click on the bold link titled “**POLS0008: Introduction to Quantitative Research Methods Handbook Website**” in the “**WK01: Understanding Data**” panel in Moodle. From there, navigate to the “**Welcome**” page to download lecture notes, datasets, and other resources for the week.

Let me know if all is well. If you encounter any admin issues with the module or access to Moodle itself, please email polsci.ug@ucl.ac.uk .

I look forward to seeing you soon. Take care!

Best wishes,

Anwar