

# Final Project

*DS 3003 — Spring 2021*

## Grading Rubric

I will evaluate your projects by scoring you from 0 to 4 for each category according to this grading rubric.

- 4: **Very good** — very good job deserving of a solid A grade.
  - 3: **Adequate** — passing, but some minor deficiencies.
  - 2: **Substandard** — at least one major deficiency; below expectations.
  - 1: **Poor** — several major deficiencies; well below expectations.
  - 0: **No Credit** — this element of the report is either completely missing or only superficially included.
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- Articles (4 pts)
    - Do you report the source of the article?
    - Do you explain why you've chosen the article?
    - Do you describe the key idea of the article you've chosen?
    - Do you describe the degree of agreement, disagreement, or conflict on the main idea of the article?
  - Data (4 pts)
    - Is the data set appropriate for the article you've chosen?
    - Do you describe what variables used in analysis mean?
    - Do you describe how the data was collected?
    - Do you report the source of the data?
    - Does your report include a brief table with a descriptive summary of the data (including key numerical summaries of key variables, samples sizes, and so on)?
  - Plots/Graphics (4 pts)
    - Do plots show key features of the data well?
    - Are there good labels?
    - Do you make effective use of color/shape/symbols?
    - Do your plots provide information about your questions/arguments?
    - Are there any plots that ought to be included, but are not?
    - Are there plots that serve very little purpose?
  - Communication (4 pts)
    - Are your presentation slides well organized?
    - Is it easy for me to understand the questions/arguments you wish to address?
    - Are there clear section titles?
    - Do the presentation slides have a clear and effective format?
    - Does each table or figure include a paragraph that helps to interpret the information contained within?
    - Do you clearly describe your codes?
    - Does your code include some helpful comments?
  - Engagement (4 pts)
    - Do you make a good/compelling story?
    - Do you include interactive graphs using *plotly* or *shiny*?
    - Do you use features from interactive groups during the presentation?
    - Do you ask question(s) during your presentation?