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Open Social Science: Transparency and Replicability



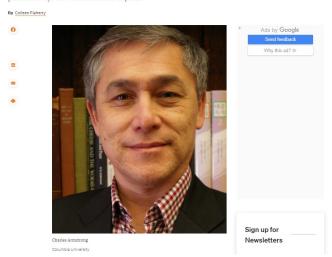
Logistics: Dissertation Fairs

- Six students have submitted their abstracts and bios
- ► We should be able to accommodate your first week preferences each week will feature two (or three if we have any late submissions) students
- You will also receive a separate email from me containing the comments for your reference
- Preliminary program released on Moodle tomorrow; you are welcome to invite your supervisors



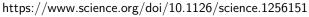
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What We Can/Should Do

- Transparency
 - "Research Design" section
 - Pre-analysis plan (PAP)
- Replicability: Data and code sharing, such as Harvard Dataverse and Birkbeck Data Repository
- Knowledge accumulation: Meta-analysis and systematic review?
- ► Triangulation: Mixed- and multi-method research?



Discussion

- ► What are the social research methods or empirical approaches you will be using in your dissertation?
- What information in the main text should you provide in writing aligning with the broad ideas of transparent and replicable social sciences research?
- ► What additional information should you provide in the appendix? Any practical and ethical concerns?

