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This website is for students in Crim 250: Statistics for the Social Sciences to learn R and statistics.

Getting Started

Before we meet for our next class there are few things you should try at home to get started.

This video will guide you through setting up all the software you will need. For now, you don't need to understand all the details. It's most important that you set up your personal page and download the relevant programs.

1. Download and install R on your computer. This is the R website https://www.r-project.org

2. Download and install R-studio. You must download and install R first before installing R-studio. The R-studio website is https://www.rstudio.com

3. Create a free github account. The github website is https://github.com

4. Download and install github desktop https://desktop.github.com

5. At this point you should have downloaded R and R-studio to your own computer. This will allow you to run R and R-studio locally. It is also possible to run R-studio in the cloud through your web-browser. To do this you need to create an account with R-studio cloud. Create an account here https://rstudio.cloud. Note: In class we will be using a computer lab wit R-studio installed on the computers. You will have the option of using the lab computer, or bringing your own laptop, and/or using R-studio through the cloud.

Don't worry if you ran into issues with these first steps, we will address them in class on Monday.

Note: Credited is given to Matthew Crump, a Psychology professor at CUNY, who wrote much of this code.