## Hello everyone!

On behalf of the team, it is my pleasure to welcome you to the course. We've been working hard, with lots of help from our TA Miggy Andres-Bray, the CTAT and GIFT teams, and the members of the Penn Center for Learning Analytics and Online Learning Initiative at Penn, plus our partners and friends at other universities. We very much hope that you'll find this course interesting and useful.

You can download the syllabus to this class here.

You are invited to participate in research studies on massive open online course (MOOC) learners' motivation. You may enter the first survey here after logging into your edX account, or you may find the link under the Tab "Early-Course Survey". You can access the second survey from a link at the end of the first study.

At this point, you are welcome to get rolling on the Week 1 materials by selecting the "Course" tab. Week 1 includes the first set of lectures and the first assignments. We look forward to discussing knowledge inference with you on the discussion forums, which are included below most of the material and via the Discussion page in the course.

If you are new to edX, we recommend that you view the edX Demo 101 before starting. To get help with technical problems, click Help to send a message to edX Student Support.

Welcome to the course. I look forward to learning together.

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