PSY6422 final self-assessment

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Marking Criteria

See the Assessment criteria document for these. Roughly these are to answer the questions in the headings below, showing evidence of engagement with the course

Please * Submit by the deadline (see Timetable) * in PDF * the filename format surname_registrationnumber.pdf * Using the google form link (check your email)

Note: I expect and hope that all students can get full marks for this assessment. There is no word limit, but short is sweet. I suggest you write between 3 sentences and 3 paragraphs for each.

Final Self-assessment for PSY6422

1. What aspects of the course (topics, learning methods) did you enjoy? What about the course helped your learning and are things we should do more of, or could be copied by other courses?

#I enjoyed learning about R markdown the most because you can create journal articles in the correct format for publishing with just one line of code. This along with publishing and learning about Open Science felt important to me, especially as I want to work in research in the future. The ideas presented felt very relevant.

2. Which aspects of the course did you find least useful, least interesting or most difficult? Explain what hindered your learning and, if possible, name a specific thing which we could do to help.

#Data wrangling felt the most difficult, I think because it's very necessary to be able to use the data, so there's a lot of pressure to get it right. Maybe the long live coding session done at the end could have been done in chunks as we were lerning them throughout, still on a different dataset to what we practiced on just so we got an idea of what to do.

3. What topics do you want to learn more about in the future? Explain why

#I would have loved a session on statistics as it would have been applicable to starting a career in research. I think statistics would have been very relevant to the course too since the first lecture discussed how much of psycjology is based on flawed statistics using point and click methods, so it would have been nice to see how to do it the 'right' way.

4. Please share one thing you have read and enjoyed or found useful on the topic of data management and/or visualisation. Please include a full reference.

#Healy, K. (2018). Data visualization: a practical introduction. Princeton University Press, https://socviz.co/ was recommended in the early lectures and I found it really useful for understanding what R is, as someone who had never coded before. It explains common functions and how to build graphs in a very accessible way, and I often go back to it when I get stuck.

5. what advice would you give someone starting this course?

#You'll be amazed by what you can actually achieve in such a short time, just persevere through the error messages and you'll leave with a genuinely transferrable skill you can be proud of.