Name:

Date:

## Setting Expectations for the Course

This semester, I will be using a different grading scheme than what you are likely used to. I will not provide points, percentages, or grades on most assessments this semester. Instead, I will provide feedback only. This means that we will have individual meetings to discuss your progress. An important first step in this process is for you to identify your expectations for the course, both what you expect from me and from yourself. Please provide your responses to the questions below. Responses do not need to be long, but please write thoughtful, complete responses.

As a reminder, based on the syllabus policy, **no AI tools (e.g., ChatGPT) are to be used on reflections**. I do not care what an algorithm generates for these questions – I care about what you think. Any text that is discovered to be AI-generated text and is not explicitly cited will (a) be treated as a violation of the Elon Honor Code and (b) result in an “Incomplete” marking for this reflection.

1. After attending class on the first day and learning about what the course will cover, what do you hope to learn this semester?
2. Which of the following topics are you interested in learning in relation to data analytics and statistics this semester? Choose (check, circle, or highlight) as many as you'd like.

* Polling and surveys
* Medical experiments
* Psychology studies
* Public health issues
* Environmental issues (e.g., climate change)
* Sports statistics
* Bias data (e.g., race or gender discrimination)
* Business applications (e.g., finance, marketing)
* Generative AI (e.g., ChatGPT)
* Other (please list)

1. What about this course/semester are you worried about, if anything?
2. Have you already taken STS 2120 Statistics in Application, or are you currently enrolled in STS 2120? If you already took STS 2120, when did you take it?
3. What experience have you had with statistics (e.g., other courses, topics)?
4. We will be using the statistical software R/RStudio this semester. Briefly discuss your experience with statistical software (e.g., R, SAS, Stata, SPSS, CODAP, MyLab/StatCrunch, Excel/Sheets, Tableau). Don't worry if you haven’t used R! We'll cover what you need during the course.
5. Do you have any experience with other programming languages (e.g., C/C++, Python, Java)?
6. What are your expectations of me as the instructor for the course?
7. What are your expectations for yourself? In your response, please identify what final grade you hope to achieve and what you believe you will need to do to achieve it.
8. Do you have any questions, comments, or concerns about the course? Also, please feel free to reach out to me if you’d like to discuss something further.
9. What is/are your major(s)/minor(s)? What do you hope to do after you finish your degree at Elon?
10. Tell me something interesting or fun about yourself that would help me get to know you a little better. Feel free to include what extracurriculars you’re involved in.