

ps5: final draft of the final project due apr29 + presentations

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1. build on past ps (can and usually should encapsulate them in this final draft)
2. write a final draft of the final project—the closer it is to the final project the better! (note: once you submit it, and i'll give you comments, you will only have couple days to produce a final paper, so again, this should be as close to the final paper as possible!)
3. do test for all the important violations as discussed in class
4. include at least some discussion of endogeneity/causality/research design
5. submit the paper draft in pdf format (and a complete dofile as always)

general directions (always the same):

- submit in canvas, do not email me unless questions
- especially at the beginning, when learning, subset the data, say 3-10vars and 30-100obs—its so much easier to figure things out with small handy dataset; once got it going can just redeploy what you did on bigger dataset
- if you use r or python, no need for stata; do not use excel, spss or sas!
- when doing things by hand, show all the work, all the steps
- make it as easy on yourself as possible: round up numbers! simplify!
- if you calculate any meaningful number, say slope coefficient or t-stat, always interpret it!
- preferably use txt or pdf formats; doc(x) often messes up formatting
- do not submit more than 10 pages of the output (12pt font, single spaced)
- we are on the way to developing the final project with these ps: as we progress, your ps should start resembling a coherent and logical project where you use regression to answer interesting questions—say in few sentences why are you doing what you are doing—that is, answer the “so what question”: what's the goal of all that, why are you doing this? you need a compelling justification for what you are doing; be brief, say couple sentences
- always submit dofile if you calculate anything in stata; because you are only submitting code (do not submit any datasets), it must load data from Internet—just put your data onto your own website, wordpress, google drive, etc
- always, cite your data (at minimum full name and url (if applicable))