

Resources for GOVT 310

Intro to Political Research

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1 The Book

Imai, Kosuke and Nora Webb Williams. *Quantitative Social Science: An Introduction in tidyverse*. Princeton University Press, Princeton, NJ, 2022.

Available through the library's Course Reserves system (see Canvas). Supplementary materials at <https://github.com/kosukeimai/qss>.

2 The Web

Canvas and my teaching page, <http://j.mp/2e8CNg6>, hold the syllabus, this document, etc.

3 Statistical Analysis: R (via RStudio)

We use R for statistical analysis; RStudio is an *integrated development environment* (IDE) through which we'll use R. See bit.ly/3PFWbp7 for details. `{swirl}` is an add-on package to R that is designed to teach you R itself.

4 Communication: Slack

Slack is instant messaging for teams. A *channel* in Slack is a conversation about a particular topic. You can use Slack to discuss class material with the entire class, or just with a subset of users via a *direct message*. We will invite you to join the GOVT310 Slack team.

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