

Soc 504: Replication paper deadlines

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The main project for this course is to work in partners to replicate and extend an existing paper. This project is in addition to the problem sets, and deadlines will be interspersed throughout the semester.

Deadline	Task	Description
February 17	Choose project	Choose a partner and e-mail all 3 of us with 3 potential papers to replicate, including a 2-3 sentence explanation of why you are considering each paper. Papers can be from any literature but should be recent (last five years) and high impact.
March 1	Get data	On your homework due March 1, we will give 10 points if you verify for us that you have gained access to the data for your project. Be sure to start early! This can take some time.
March 8	Memo 1: Replication	Create a replication package in a zipped folder. Your replication package should include: • An RMarkdown file and PDF replicating the main tables and figures from the paper you have selected • The data to run this file • A PDF of the original paper you are replicating. E-mail this replication package to the two groups who have been assigned to review your work, CC-ing us.
March 15	Feedback 1	E-mail the two groups whose work you are reviewing (and CC us), attaching a zipped folder containing • An RMarkdown file and PDF replicating the results of the groups whose work you are reviewing. This file should also include comments on the replication, the readability of the code, and any suggestions about things that are unclear. • The data to run this file.
Spring break: March 18-26		
March 29	Memo 2: Extension	Create a short outline of the ways you plan to extend the results of the paper. Ideally, this outline will include tables and figures carrying out the analysis of the extension you propose. E-mail the two groups who are assigned to review your work, CC-ing us, and include a zipped folder with: • An RMarkdown file and PDF with the tables and figures of your extension, and/or with a plan for any extension analyses you have not yet completed. • The data to run this file. • A PDF of the original paper.
April 5	Feedback 2	E-mail the two groups whose work you are reviewing (and CC us), attaching a zipped folder containing • An RMarkdown file and PDF replicating the results of the groups whose work you are reviewing. This file should also include comments on the extension, the readability of the code, and any suggestions about things that are unclear, ways to improve the extension, or additional possible extensions. • The data to run this file.
April 27, 5 pm	Poster deadline	Upload your poster to the poster submission folder on Blackboard for printing.
May 3	Poster session	Stand at your poster in the atrium of Wallace Hall outside of Stokes Library. Answer questions, get feedback to improve your paper, and wow the rest of the department with all your great work!
May 16	Dean's date	Deadline to submit a final paper in the style of the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences. Submit by e-mailing the groups assigned to review your work and CC us.
Final feedback is optional for undergrads.		
May 19	Final feedback	Deadline to e-mail a formal review of the two papers you were assigned to review. Treat this as though you were asked to be a reviewer for a journal. These reviews should help your classmates prepare their papers for submission to a top social science journal.