

**Psychology 300 - Analysis and Interpretation of Psychological Data Lab  
Spring 2006**

Section 209: Monday 6:00-7:50 p.m.

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**Objectives:**

The statistics lab is designed to give students an opportunity to apply material studied during the Psych 300 lecture section and to prepare for lecture exams. The lab provides students with a forum for asking questions, reviewing concepts, practicing statistical calculations, and learning to use SPSS statistical software for data analysis.

**Exams:**

Exams for the lecture part of class will be given during lab sessions. Remember to bring a green scantron (882-ES – without student ID number) and a calculator.

**Grades:**

Your total lab grade will be worth 70 points of your total Psyc 300 grade. The lab assignments will consist of worksheets completed during lab time, SPSS in-class assignments, and homework assignments.

A 5-point worksheet will be completed during lab each week. Nine of the 10 worksheets will be counted toward your final grade for a total of 45 points.

SPSS computer assignments will also be in-class, and are also worth 5 points. Five out of six will be required, for a total of 25 points. Your lowest score will be dropped from this total.

Homework will be assigned every week to be collected at the beginning of class the following week. Each homework assignment will be worth 10 points. Eight out of 9 will be required, for a total of 80 points. Late homework will be accepted up to a week late for up to 50% credit.

Point conversion: Lab will consist of 70 points of your total grade for the course. Total points possible in lab are 150. The percentage of points gained from lab is taken out of 70 (for the course) to calculate your grade. For example, 135/150 points is 90%. 90% of 70 is 63 points.

Since the lab requires you to complete various assignments every week, it is important that you do not miss any labs. However, your lowest grade will be dropped from the homework, worksheets, and SPSS assignments, allowing you to miss one lab without harming your grade.

\*Please remember to bring your calculator to lab.

<b>Week</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Assignments</b>	<b>Chapter(s)</b>	<b>Homework Due Dates</b>
1	1/24	Worksheet #1, Homework #1	1	
2	1/30	Worksheet #2, SPSS #1, Homework #2	2	HW #1
3	2/6	Worksheet #3, SPSS #2, Homework #3	3-4	HW #2
4	2/13	<b>EXAM 1 (ch. 1 – 4) 60 pts</b>		
5	2/20	Worksheet #4, Homework #4	5-6	HW #3
6	2/27	Worksheet #5, Homework #5	7-8	HW #4
7	3/6	<b>EXAM 2 (ch. 5 – 8) 60 pts</b>		
<b>8</b>	<b>3/13</b>	<b>Spring Break (No Lab)</b>		
9	3/20	Worksheet #6, SPSS #3, Homework #6	9-10	HW #5
10	3/27	Worksheet #7, SPSS #4, Homework #7	11-12	HW #6
11	4/3	<b>EXAM #3 (ch. 9 – 12)</b>		
12	4/10	Worksheet #8, SPSS #5, Homework #8	13-14	HW #7
13	4/17	Worksheet #9, Homework #9	15	HW #8
14	4/24	<b>EXAM #4 (ch. 13 – 15)</b>		
15	5/1	Final Exam review– if needed, SPSS #6, Worksheet #10	16-17	HW #9

HONOR CODE: All provisions of the GMU Honor Code will be followed in this class, and these are detailed in the university catalog.

DISABILITY HELP: If you are a student with a disability and you need academic accommodations, please see me and contact the Disability Resource Center (DRC) at 703-993-2474. All academic accommodations must be arranged through that office.

Add/Drop Deadline for courses:

Last day to add – Feb 7

Last day to drop – Feb 24

Elective withdrawal period – Feb 25-Mar 24

\*Syllabus is subject to change.