Grading Information

While I expect you to attend class regularly, per University policy F69-24 (http://www.sjsu.edu/senate/docs/F69-24.pdf), students will not be graded on daily attendance. One of the purposes of this class is to help simulate the stamina necessary to stick with a project day-in, day-out even as your interest in it naturally waxes and wanes. It is very, very unlikely that a student who misses class regularly will do well. More importantly, classroom discussion will tease out much of the important nuance in the readings. As such, regular attendance is strongly encouraged.

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Your grade will be calculated as follows:
And assignments and exams will be weighted accordingly:
Make-up/Late Policy

There are no make-up exams or other assignments without appropriate documentation (serious medical illness or serious medical emergency, religious holiday, pre-approved university-sanctioned event or activity, military orders, family emergency) that you were unable to complete the assignment on time. This also applies to in-

Classroom Policies and Protocol

Attendance and participation

Students may be called upon by name to address concepts from the readings. Students should take the time and effort to read the materials when they are assigned, and be prepared to actively participate in discussion of the topics, using both citations of the readings and their own defended views. Small group discussions during class will only enhance learning if each participant is prepared to contribute to the group's learning. In addition to the fact that students are graded on the quality and quantity of classroom participation, regular attendance will enhance your grade by virtue of giving students the opportunity to develop the knowledge necessary to complete assignments that might not otherwise be available except from class discussion.

Cellphones, laptops, and other technology

You may not use your cell phone in class. If you need to have it on for family reasons, please let me know ahead of time, turn it on vibrate and leave it out of sight. If you must make an emergency text, feel free to step outside of class. All other texting needs to take place before or after class. Laptops, tablets, and other such technology are allowed in class but for notetaking and educational use only. I reserve the right to bar specific students from using these technologies if they are making inappropriate use of them during class time. Please see me if you have questions about this policy or questions regarding SJSU academic accommodations related to this policy.

Recording of Lectures

There are no audio or video recording of lectures or other class activities allowed without instructor permission in advance. It is common courtesy to obtain permission from people before you record them; therefore, out of respect to your colleagues and to me, do not record this class without my explicit permission.

University Policies

Per University Policy S16-9, university-wide policy information relevant to all courses, such as academic integrity, accommodations, etc. will be available on Office of Graduate and Undergraduate Programs' Syllabus Information web page at http://www.sjsu.edu/gup/syllabusinfo/"

Workload and Credit Hour Requirements

Success in this course is based on the expectation that students will spend, for each unit of credit, a minimum of 45 hours over the length of the course (normally 3 hours per unit per week with 1 of the hours used for lecture) for instruction or preparation/studying or course related activities including but not limited to internships, labs, clinical practica. Other course structures will have equivalent workload expectations as described in the syllabus.

Course Schedule

	Date	Topic	Readings/Media	Due	
	Unit #1 - The Building Blocks for Quantitative Empirical Research				
1	23-Aug	Introduction, Developing a Research Question			
2	30-Aug	Measures of Central Tendency and			

3	6-Sep	Sampling, Probability and Statistics Review	Field, Ch. 2	Assignment #1
4	13-Sep	Exploring and Understanding Data Graphically	Field, Ch. 4	
5	20-Sep			