

- **About the final project**

Background:

(none)

0. Today's plan

- Midterm exam discussion
- Final project
 - Project information and requirements
 - Discussion: Some potential project topics

1. Midterm exam discussion

- Checking in on midterm exam
 - Discussion of corpus data and σ/μ questions
 - Any other points to discuss?
 - Expect exam grades on Canvas soon

2. Final project information

- See new course web page:
[Final project information & resources](#)

Handouts now available there:

- [Overview](#) of final project (& article summary)
- [Choosing a structure for your final project](#)
- A sampling of [past project titles](#)

3. Final project topics — Simulation

Group discussion

- Try to come up with **2–3 potential project topics** (this is for practice; you are not committed)
 - What is your **research question**?
 - If time, think about how to **collect data**
- About research questions
 - Big-picture question: the big idea; “why do we care?”
 - Measurable question: what you can carry out; interesting because it relates to the big picture