

Replication Paper Memo: Due March 6 at 8pm EST

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The replication paper document due on March 6 should address the points listed below, *in no more than one page*. It should be emailed to both Teaching Fellows (mdost@g.harvard.edu and goplerud@g.harvard.edu) and Professor King (king@harvard.edu) with all of the group members cc'ed in. Each group will meet with Professor King in early March (after the memo deadline) and with both TFs in mid-March to discuss the replication paper assignment; we will send out sign-up sheets for those meetings soon.

1. What paper are you replicating? (Please provide a link to the online journal article)
2. A brief discussion about why you chose this paper. Use the criteria outlined in *Publication, Publication* to justify your choice. Outline the ways in which you're thinking about extending their analysis. (Are you changing how they measure some dependent or independent variable? Are you looking to model the outcome in a different way?)
3. What is the status of the data? Is it on Dataverse or the author's website? If so, have you downloaded it and checked that it runs? If the data are available online, provide the link in the memo. Is their replication code also available? Does it seem to work? If it is not on Dataverse or the author's website, please outline what you've been doing to get it (have you emailed the authors; what has their response been, etc.).
4. What models does the paper use? Please list the names of the models they use so we can assess whether we'll cover them in this class and, if not, whether it's something that we think is feasible for you to do for a replication paper. If any of the models they run seem especially unusual, flag this here for us to look at. If there are any additional models you're thinking about using in your replication paper, also let us know.
5. **Backup paper:** If your chosen paper is one for which the data are not easily available (i.e., accessible online), you must tell us what your backup plan is if you are unable to get the data. You should list another paper for which the data are available as well as answering point (3).