Roleplaying Assignment

Find a partner, and choose which of you will play the client for which case. Go to the assigned room for that case.

Review your case with others who will be playing the same role as you. What questions do you think the statistician will ask? Prepare your answers. You may need to make them up, if they aren’t given in the prompt. You can choose to have different potential answers than others with the same case.

Part One: The Initial Meeting

1. With your partner, role-play each consultation (one where you are the client, and one where your partner is). Video record them. I expect these consultations to be between 15-30 minutes long; a real client would be longer. Make two separate files, and check the recording quality to be sure the file isn’t prohibitively large. Cameras can be checked out from the library; see https://www.lib.umn.edu/media/equipment.

2. Watch the video where you were the consultant. Note the times (min/sec) where you:
   (a) had the time/wanted/willing and able conversation
   (b) an example of when you restated something the client told you and asked if you understood
   (c) one moment you thought went particularly well
   (d) one moment where you could have done better
   (e) when you started the “end” of the meeting

3. Upload the video where you were the consultant to your University Google Drive and share it with me.

4. Reflect on your experience, and write a page about it. Specifically comment on the segments of particular interest, and specify at what time of the video they occurred.

Due Wed Mar 23.

And Then...

Write a consulting proposal for your client. Due Wed Mar 30.

Write a consulting report for your client (more details later). Due Wed Apr 20.

Write a consulting report for your client (more details later). Due Wed May 4.
Choose which of you will have which case. Tear this page in half, take the case for which you will be the client, and proceed to the desired room.

**Salt Reduction**

You are a researcher from the Food Science and Nutrition department studying dietary salt reduction. You performed a study to test if gradual or abrupt reduction in salt affects liking of low-salt tomato juice. You’ve collected your data and would like the client to assist with the analysis.

Stay here to discuss.

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**Surround Sound**

You are a researcher from the Music Department studying surround sound. You performed a study to see if subjects perceived movie clips differently if they were played in surround sound compared with stereo. You’ve collected your data and would like the client to assist with the analysis.

Head to Ford 150 to discuss.
Get in groups of 3–5 and think of questions you want to ask to be ready to play the role of a client for this case.