36-726 Statistical Practice
Homework 02

This week you will be working on ethics while I am working on your papers.

To-do list for this week:

For Today:

- Turn in your 3-4 page preliminary reports.
- Short class. Briefly discuss this assignment.

For Wednesday:

- We will read and discuss the following paper, on JSTOR.

  Finney, David J. (1991) Ethical aspects of statistical practice. *Biometrika*, **47**, 331–339.

  It will be good to read this in conjunction with the 1989 ASA statistical guidelines at `http://www.tcnj.edu/~asaethic/asagui.html` or the longer 1999 guidelines at `http://www.amstat.org/profession/index.cfm?fuseaction=ethicalstatistics`.
- For discussion Wednesday, please the following people lead discussion[1] of the following sections:
  - *Finney, sections 1, 2, 3, & the ASA guidelines listed above:* BJ & Everyone.
  - *Finney, section 4:* Drew, April, Zhanwu
  - *Finney, section 5:* Joey, Gaia, Gary
  - *Finney, section 6:* Abby, Nathaniel, Shuhei
  - *Finney, section 7:* Steve, Yi, Emily

For Friday: No class. But please go to the following web site:

`https://cme.hs.pitt.edu/servlet/IteachControllerServlet?actiontotake=displaymainpage`

and select the link called Responsible Conduct of Research. Next select the link called *Research Integrity*. Create an account for yourself and start the module on research integrity.

Due Monday Feb 5: After successfully completing the module on research integrity, please save an electronic copy of your certificate (or print it out as a last resort) and email it to me. You should retain a copy for yourself for future reference.

[1] To lead the discussion, write down 2-3 major points in the section, and also a couple questions that you'd like to answer or have answered in class.