Study Habits

Homework strategies
Course structure

- In here you have homeworks that tend to rely on hand-written work

- You also have projects that rely on SPSS and writing reports

- There are several ways that you can use these assignments to your advantage
Doing the assignments

• Read the whole assignment carefully the day you receive it

• Knowing the assignment should provide you with awareness for time management
  – Devote adequate time to work it through once on your own
  – Then bring assignments to your group
Doing the assignments

• Look over your lecture notes
• Write a short paragraph or two covering how you see the assignment fitting into this part of the course
  – This provides a context for each assignment
Doing the assignments

• Once you have the assignment done, **recopy** it into your notes
  – Use the *half page technique*, so you can come back later and write down any new thoughts

• Treat your homeworks & projects as you would lecture
  – They are part of the course, not busy work
Redo the work

• Do the homeworks and projects at least twice

• The only way to learn this material is to practice it
  – The assignments are practice
Summary

- Understand the purpose of the assignments
- Prepare by knowing each assignment, manage your time
- Work by yourself first, the frustration is important
- Put the assignments into context (notes)
- Rework the assignments (practice)