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ICPSR Online Learning Center

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Following is an announcement from ICPSR, the Interuniversity Consortium for Political and Social Research:

ICPSR is pleased to announce the official launch of the Online Learning Center (OLC). The site is located at: http://www.icpsr.umich.edu/OLC/ and can be found under the Courses & Learning Tools tab on the ICPSR front page.

ICPSR’s Online Learning Center (OLC) supports quantitative literacy in the social sciences by providing an effective and reliable means of bringing data into the classroom. OLC tools were designed, built, and tested by teaching faculty.

Currently numbering 30 (with more added continually), our Data-Driven Learning Guides are designed for in-class presentation or as supplemental activities for students demonstrating a variety of types of data analysis and substantive concepts. Available on-demand 24/7, DDLGs:

- Demonstrate core concepts using prepared data with missing data and weights accommodated.
- Avoid the hassles of software licensing, setup, and instruction.
- Are easily customized to your teaching approach and syllabus.
- Are appropriate as supplemental exercises or for in-class demonstrations.

Please share this with your teaching community. We look forward to your feedback and suggestions via email, the OLC Blog, or the OLC listserv all available through the OLC website.

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