

Stat 151 labs provide an opportunity to learn how to apply the theoretical concepts discussed in the lectures to real-world problems.

Group lab assignments in Stat 151 are **completed in groups of two**. They are intended to be not only an assessment tool but also a platform for collaborative exploration and learning. The random selection of group members provides mixture in students' backgrounds and skills; this enriches the group work and provides students with new insights and ways of thinking.

Here are the guidelines that groups should follow in their collaboration:

1. The students in each group are expected to create a lab report that will provide answers to the questions specified in the lab assignment. Only a single assignment must be received from each group. The two Individuals within a group will receive the same grade on each assignment. The instructor may change the assignment scores for individual students in the group, if justified.
2. It is recommended that the two group members meet at least once to decide who will be the group leader and allocate the tasks among themselves. The rest of the work can be done by sharing on Google Docs. Though group members can work on different parts of the assignment, it is expected that other group member review all work and provide feedback, and that the two group members work together to reach consensus.
3. The group leader is responsible for submitting the group work into the correct assignment slot by the due date, and send a confirmation email to the other member after the lab has been submitted. If the group leader cannot hand in the assignment according to plan, the group should ensure that a contingency plan is available.
4. Both group members should take on collective responsibility. That means that each group member takes on a fair share of the group work. In the discussion of lab questions, the two members show respect for each other's ideas and are open for compromise. If compromise cannot be reached, the group members should consult their instructor or a lab TA in one of the Lab Assistance sessions (see the schedule on Stat 151 Labs website).
5. If a member of your group cannot work on the lab on particular days due to religious or other valid reasons, please respect others' schedule and plan accordingly.
6. If the assignment is not submitted on time (or submitted to the wrong assignment slot), all group members will get zero on the assignment. See item 3 above for guidance on communication regarding assignment submission.
7. Students in each group should keep a record of their communication and the final version of their lab submission (preferably on Google docs) in case the assignment gets misplaced or lost.

8. Groups should submit assignments with a cover sheet that contains the names of the two group members (with the surnames written in all capital letters, the leader's name bolded), course section, group number and lab assignment number. The assignments must be **typewritten**.

9. Collaboration with other groups is limited to discussion and exchange of ideas. No record of any sort (written or electronic material) may be exchanged between groups. Each group must write their own lab report, using their own words to answer the questions in lab assignment.