Below is the information you requested for Assignment 1:
Name: Katie Butterfield
Program: Sociology
Year: 3rd year PhD student
Advisor: Zulema Valdez
Interests: I'm interested in the effects of race, class, and gender on food access. I'm taking PSY 206 primarily to learn the technique of meta analysis. I'd like to review some of the existing literature on food deserts as part of my course project, but I'm not sure of a research question just yet.

Raymond Feilner
2nd Year
Quantitative Psychology

I am interested in how research designs/methods and types of reported statistics/effect sizes affect the observed distributions of these reported statistics/effect sizes within and across fields/topics.
(I also have interests in our naive estimations of meta-analytic results/data synthesis and factors, such as cognitive biases, that cause systematic errors in such estimations in terms of direction, magnitude, and distribution.)

My name is John Felt and I am a fourth year graduate student in quantitative methods and health psychology working with Sarah Depaoli and Jitske Tiemensma. My research interests involve stress and coping, statistical methods to evaluate change in biological markers of the stress response, Bayesian estimation, and model selection in latent variable models.

I am Morgan Fleming, a fourth year PhD student working with Paul Maglio. My work primarily focuses on human machine interaction in creative problem solving. I was hoping to learn more about meta-analysis as I am interested in decision support systems and the possibility of using them in widespread science communication.

Name: William Kyle Hamilton
Program: Psychological Science – Health
Advisor: Linda Cameron
Interests: Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs), attachment theory, emotion regulation, parenting education, agent-based modeling, data science, R/Shiny, R programming, survey design.
Why am I taking this course: Meta-analysis is a tool that will be useful for some of my upcoming projects during graduate school. I’ve written an R package that allows people to run a meta-analysis with Shiny. Because of this I get a lot of questions about running a meta-analysis. Although I can answer the software questions I can’t really give an in-depth methodological response. Also my committee told me to take this class and I’m wise enough to obey them. Website: kylehamilton.com

Eunis Hernandez  
Dr. Vevea  
8/31/2016

Homework #1

My name is Eunis Hernandez. This is my second year in the Public Health PhD program. My advisor is Andrea Joyce. My research concerns West Nile virus and factors that help predict where human cases are in Merced County. The reasons why I chose to take this course is to learn the method and to determine which factors are efficient in predicting where future cases are.

Michele Turitz  
Program: Quantitative Psychology  
Advisor: Dr. Jack Vevea  
Interests: Interested in methodological research in meta-analysis, particularly in developing new models for improving statistical analysis and interpretation of data.

Name: Marcus Vadnais  
Year: 2nd  
Program: Psychological Sciences (Quant)  
Advisor: Keke Lai  
Project Idea/Interest: Nothing specific, but hoping to do a psychometric meta-analysis

David Veloz  
PSY-206

I am a second year graduate student in the public health program here in UC Merced. I am from Atwater CA and did my undergraduate studies here at UC Merced. My interests are in environmental justice issues created by air pollution and
public health perceptions on air quality in the San Joaquin Valley. My advisor is Ricardo Cisneros. I decided to take this course to learn about Quantitative Analysis and obtain an overview of advanced research methods.

Xiaoguang Zhang (Eric)

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Interests: Structural equation modelling

Professor: Keke Lai