

**CDS 130: Computing for Scientists**  
**Spring 2021 Section 005**  
**Syllabus and Class Policies**

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**Office and Office Hours:**

- Dr. Romanelli will not have an office on campus during the Spring 2021 term.
- Dr. Romanelli will hold office hours virtually. Students may contact Dr. Romanelli for help. Two times a week, Dr. Romanelli will hold “Virtual Office Hours” via Blackboard Collaborate Ultra. See the Class Website for the schedule of ALL Virtual Office hours for Dr. Romanelli and the STARS.
- Dr. Romanelli may be contacted using: e-mail, text, and by using the “Ask the Professor” discussion on the left side of the website as well as in-person. Dr. Romanelli’s responses on “Ask the Professor” will be available to all class members.
- All meetings via phone and outside of published office hours are by appointment only. Students wishing to meet with Dr. Romanelli are asked to send an e-mail or text to Dr. Romanelli requesting a meeting time. Be sure to list when you are available to meet and how you want to meet.
- Dr. Romanelli will endeavor to answer e-mail questions within 48 hours. Please note that questions received during the weekends may be delayed.
- If Dr. Romanelli will be away from email for more than one day, times will be posted on the announcement tab in the Blackboard course folder.
- Dr. Romanelli will announce any General Help Sessions being held on the class website. Sessions will be held via Blackboard Collaborate and/or in person.

**CDS-130 STAR:**

- Our STAR working primarily with Section 005 will be James E. Bussey, IV.
- STARS will hold “Virtual Office Hours” via Blackboard Collaborate Ultra on the Class Website during the week. See the Class Website for the schedule of ALL Virtual Office hours.
- For our Section, the STAR will be the person who will grade most of your assignments and will be familiar with your work. Your STAR will be contacting you to offer help when we see that you may be having trouble. You are welcome to contact either STAR for help, but please start with your STAR.

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