

Redistricting Project
Math 217 Voting Theory
Pols 211 Congress and the Legislative Process
Fall 2007

The purpose of this project is to give you experience in the process of redistricting a fictional state. You will use the Redistricting Game simulator at <http://redistrictinggame.org/>

Goals

- Individual Assignment
 - Complete the Basic and Advanced versions of Missions 1 and 2.
Be sure to take a screen capture to include in your paper and to bring to the meeting with your partner!
- Paired Assignment
 - Meet with your partner and complete the Basic and Advanced versions of Missions 3 and 4. You should play one version of the mission as a Democrat and one as a Republican. Remember your role when playing the game!
Be sure to get screen captures here as well and note whether you completed the mission.
- Written Assignment
 - Write a short paper on this exercise. Be sure to address the experience of performing the redistricting on your own and contrast this with the experience of needing to work with the other party. What is the message you take away from the exercise? What are the implications for the political system in the United States? Be sure to include your screen captures in your paper (as appendices would be fine).

Deadlines

October 5	Complete first two missions on own Email professor with date of meeting with partner Meeting must be before October 26
October 26	Held meeting with partner
November 9	Paper due and joint class meeting

To save an image of your work

Windows: Alt - Print Screen will copy the window containing the cursor. You can then paste the image into a Word file.

Mac: Cmd - Shift - 4 allows you to select the part of the screen you want and will save it to a file on the desktop. You can then drag this file into a Word document.