

# Lecture 2 Research Methods in Psychology

- \* **Operationalisation** - defining how exactly to measure sth.
- \* **Precision** - can people interpret the definition in similar ways?
- \* **Validity** - does it measure the intended thing?

→ Operationalise steeler fans. Could be:  
"someone who watches at least 80% of steeler games in person or on TV or on video."

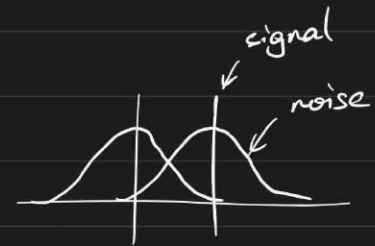
## - Stats stuff

- Correlation  $\neq$  causation
- Need random assignments
- Observation = signal + noise

- Noise cancels!

## - Error types

- Type I: false positive
- Type II: false negative



↓ more sample

