

San José State University  
Department of Justice Studies  
JS101 Critical Issues and Ideas in Justice, Section 01, Fall 2020

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Office Hours:	Tuesdays and Thursdays 9:15 AM-12:15 PM or by appointment via Zoom
Class Days/Time:	Tuesdays and Thursdays 10:30 AM - 11:45 AM
Classroom:	Online via Zoom
Prerequisites:	Upper division standing JS 10, 12, 25 or FS 11; Corequisite: JS 100

#### Course Format

The mode of instruction for this course is completely online. Reliable access to a computer and the internet will be required. All written assignments will be submitted via Canvas, and must be in Microsoft Word (\*.doc or \*.docx). If you do not currently own Microsoft Word, the software (both PC and Mac) is available for free to students: <http://www.sjsu.edu/it/services/collaboration/software/instructions.php>

#### Canvas Course Page and email

Copies of course materials will be posted on Canvas. You are responsible for regularly checking your email and Canvas (multiple times per week is recommended) regarding announcements, reminders, and any additional course materials. The majority of course materials will be posted in Adobe PDF format; if you choose to

## Course Learning Outcomes(CLO)

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. Critically examine social justice issues and develop a broader understanding of social justice and the relationship between social justice and social policy.
2. Reflect upon the relationship between race, class, gender, nationality and social justice.
3. Write reports, assignments, and papers with professional and academic aptitude demonstrating a familiarity of class materials.
4. Read academic materials with proficiency.
5. Contribute to class discussion in thoughtful, critical, and collaborative ways.
6. Students should read, write, and contribute to discussion at a skilled and capable level.

## Library Liaison

[Nyle.Monday@sjsu.edu](mailto:Nyle.Monday@sjsu.edu)

<http://libguides.sjsu.edu/justicestudies>

## Course Requirements and Assignments



sufficient time must be spent contemplating the material for the purpose of being prepared to participate in discussions and complete other assignments.

### E-mail Policy

Feel free to email the instructor at any time (I check several times per day); however, please adhere to the e-mail guidelines below:

1. Please include in the "subject line" the course number, your name, and a specific description of your inquiry or comment (e.g., JS1, Your Name, subject). The instructor will not respond to "no subject" e-mails, or any email where the student is not identified in either the subject line or body of the email.
2. E-mailed inquiries should be relatively short in nature. Students should request a time to chat (via Canvas) with me to discuss more extensive inquiries. Students will be referred to the course syllabus with respect to questions that are addressed by simply reading the syllabus.

### University Policies

Per University Policy S10, universitywide policy information relevant to all courses such as academic integrity, accommodations, etc. will be available on Office of Graduate and Undergraduate Programs' [Syllabus Information web page](http://www.sjsu.edu/gup/syllabusinfo/) at <http://www.sjsu.edu/gup/syllabusinfo/>

### Department of Justice Studies Reading and Writing Philosophy

The Department of Justice Studies is committed to scholarly excellence. Therefore, the Department promotes academic, critical, and creative engagement with language (i.e., reading and writing) throughout its curricular. A sustained and intensive exploration of language prepares students to think critically and to act meaningfully in interrelated areas of their lives—personal, professional, economic, social, political, ethical, and cultural. Graduates of the Department of Justice Studies leave San José State University prepared to enter a range of careers and for advanced study in a variety of fields; they are prepared to more effectively identify and ameliorate injustice in their personal, professional and civic lives. Indeed, the impact of literacy is evident not only within the span of a specific course, semester, or academic program but also over the span of a lifetime.



Week	Date	Topics, Readings, Assignments, Deadlines
13	11/10/20	Topic: "Alt Right" (Part 2)
13	11/12/20	Topic: "Alt Right" (Part 3)
14	11/17/20	Breakout Room Discussion#5: Response statement due by 11:59 PM
14	11/19/20	Topic Reflection #3 (Healthcare and the Pandemic/Education and the Economy): Due by 11:59 PM
15	11/24/20	Instructor Personal Holiday
15	11/26/20	Thanksgiving Holiday
16	12/01/20	