

San José State University
College of Health and Human Sciences / Justice Studies Department
Justice Studies 103, Courts and Society, Fall 2020

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Prerequisites: Upper Division standing
Competency area: A – Theories

Course Description: JS 103

The catalog description: Structure and functions of the court system. Emphasize-2 (he)4 ((o)l) focus (o)l) way courts influence society -- and vice versa -- in the context of civil and criminal cases. involves lectures, guest speakers, class participation, court observations and general justice issues.

By the end of the course, generally you should be familiar with ways in which courts of society and gain ability to reflect on ways they can be improved. More specifically, upon completion of this course, you should achieve the following course learning outcomes

CLO 1: Understand the constitutional structure and

There is no textbook. A photocopied 500-page course reader will be available at Maple Press, 330 South 10th Street # 200, San Jose (408) 297-1000; approximate cost: \$ 40 (cash or check only).

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Library Liaison

The Department's library liaison is Nyle Monday, nyle.monday@sjsu.edu .

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Class schedule

The class schedule, in a separate document, is subject to change.