San José State University College of Applied Sciences and Arts/Justice Studies JS100W, Writing Workshop, Section 80, Winter 2020

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GE Learning Outcomes (GELO)

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

- GELO 1: Produce discipline-specific written work that demonstrates upper-division proficiency in: 1) language use, 2) grammar, and 3) clarity of expression;
- GELO 2: Explain, analyze, develop, and criticize ideas effectively, including ideas encountered in multiple readings and expressed in different forms of discourse;
- GELO 3: Organize and develop essays and documents for both professional and general audiences;
- GELO 4: Organize and develop essays and documents according to appropriate editorial and citation standards;
- GELO 5: Locate, organize, and synthesize information effectively to accomplish a specific purpose, and to communicate that purpose in writing.

Required Texts/Readings

Optional Textbook

An EasyGuide to APA Style (EasyGuide Series) 3rd Edition by Beth M. Schwartz, Ronald Eric Landrum, Regan A. R. Gurung ISBN-10: 1483383237

Library Liaison for Justice Studies

Silke Higgins, <u>silke.higgins@sjsu.edu</u>, (408) 808-2118, Justice Studies Library Guide – URL: http://libguides.sjsu.edu/justicestudies

Course Requirements and Assignments

Practice Assignments (15 Points – 5 at 3 points each)

This course will cover specific content about the nature of social science writing in the American Psychological Association style as well as techniques useful for social scientific writing. There will be several practice assignments (mostly in the form of credit/no credit quizzes) that reinforce these.

Homework (9 Points – 3 at 3 points each)

As new ways to think about writing for the social sciences are covered, there will also be opportunities to generate your own writing to further hone these skills. This will allow for detailed feedback on assignments with somewhat lower stakes. This will also include assignments like doing an academic literature search.

Discussions (18 Points – 6 at 3 points each)

Throughout this course, students will be encountering new content from academic sources and need to digest

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