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discussion for the day. While the instructor will help to moderate discourse, students are largely responsible for engaging in inquiry and discussion.

Grading criteria

The presentation will be graded based on the level of competency and flow, knowledge of the subject, ability to engage the audience and conclusions. It is highly recommended that students practice their presentations several times (preferably in front of someone who will provide constructive objective feedback). The presenters will be required to submit their Power Point (*.ppt) file prior to in-class presentation.

Each presentation will receive a grade ranging from 1.0 to 5.0 points based on the fulfillment of the above requirements.

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University Policies

Office of Graduate and Undergraduate Programs maintains university policy information relevant to all courses, such as academic integrity, accommodations, etc. You may find all syllabus related University Policies and resources information listed on GUP's Syllabus Information web page 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 curriculum. 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 litera

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Student Technology Resources

A wide variety of audiovisual equipment is available for student loaning from Media Services located in IRC 112. Please check [online](#) for additional information.

ACCESS Success Center

The Academic Counseling Center for Excellence in the Social Sciences (ACCESS) provides General Education advising for undergraduate students majoring or intending to major in any of the departments in the College of Social Sciences (CoSS). ACCESS Academic Advisors are committed to helping you develop a clear path to graduation and supporting your academic success. You can schedule an appointment and find more information at [sjsu.edu/access](#).

SJSU Writing Center

The SJSU Writing Center located in Room 126 in Clark Hall offers a variety of resources to help students become better writers, including [online](#)

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Tentative Course Schedule

Notes about course schedule: The order of the discussed topics and their dates may change according to students' progress and/or any unforeseen circumstances. I reserve the right to change the schedule including the due dates, but only in a manner that benefits students (e.g., due dates can only be pushed back, never moved forward).

Week	Date	Topics	Assignments & Deadlines
1	01/28/2021	Course introduction. Overview of the course structure assignments and expectations.	Reading for today: Syllabus
2	02/04/2021	Crash course in forensic science brief overview of forensic DNA analysis: contemporary & emerging technologies (by the instructor).	Check the relevant Module on Canvas. Read PCAST report (pages 21-65; 151-153).
3	02/11/2021	Topics for reading and discussion: "Is forensic science truly reliable or is it junk science?" "Sources of error in forensic science".	Read PCAST report (pages 67-8; 128-130). Weekly presentations. Check the relevant Module on Canvas for additional materials.
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8	03/18/2021	<p>"Forensic molecular phenotyping ethical and criminal justice issues".</p> <p>"Forensic genealogy and extended familial searches: ethical and criminal justice issues".</p>	<p>Weekly presentations.</p> <p>Check Canvas.</p> <p>Swap CV and cover letter with your peers for feedback.</p>
9	03/25/2021	<p>"Falsification and authentication of forensic evidence"; "Gene editing: ethical and legal concerns".</p> <p>"Application of behavioral genetics in court". "Potential implementation of artificial intelligence (AI) in the criminal justice system".</p>	<p>Weekly presentations.</p> <p>Check Canvas.</p> <p>Last day to choose a topic for your digital media project.</p>
10	04/01/2021		