San José State University
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Justice Studies 114-01 (JS Area B Required Course)
Research Methods
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The plural of anecdote is not evidence.
(Anon.)

Course Information

Prerequisite:
Having taken and passed JS 100W with a C or better is required for JS 114. This requirement will be strictly enforced and students will be required to provide proof of having met the prerequisite on January 30th. Students who have not fulfilled the prereq

Recommended Data Resources:

quality of contributions is considered for grading. I don't expect brilliant, insightful questions or answers every week or discussion, but I don't give credit for "me-tooing" in discussion.

6) Mid-Term: Same format as quizzes

7). Final Exam: Same format as quizzes.

Weights

Self-Test Quizzes	All	=	10%
Quizzes	3 X 5%	=	15%
Papers	4 X 5%	=	20%
Problems	All	=	20%
Participation/Discuss	All	=	15%
Mid-Term Exam	1 X 10%	=	10%
Final Exam	1 X 15%	=	15%
Total		=	105%

It is possible to score 105% out of 100% in the course. That's how extra-credit is built into the course.

Grading Policy and Correspondence:

A curve is <u>usually</u> applied to exams. If a curve is applied, you will have to make the calculation yourself, to determine your grade, but rest assured the curved score has been recorded in the gradebook. If a curve is applied, approximately 20 to 25 percent of the class will receive an A- or better on that exam. All assessment materials are graded on a percentage basis, and correspond to the following letter grades. Grades will either be on the returned material or posted outside my office by Synthetic ID number.

Percent to Letter Grade Correspondence:
Note: The minus sign pronounces as -.

Minimum Percent to Letter Grade Correspondence							
A+	96%	A	93%	A-	90%	B+	86%

Synthetic ID Calculation

To create the synthetic ID number, multiply the first five digits of your SJSU student ID number by the last four digits of your SJSU student ID number. The last four digits of the product is the synthetic ID number.

EXAMPLE: SJSU ID number is 004199408
First five digits are: 00419
Last four digits are: 9408
Multiply   = 3941952
The last four digits, 1952, is the Posting ID number.

Late Test and Assignment Policy:
No to full credit depending on circumstance. No credit will be given on a graded in class exercise turned in after grading has begun. With that caveat: the possible combinations of circumstance are damn near infinite and thus an attempt to assign specific penalty weights a truly Herculean task. Instead, the following are the factors I consider, along with examples of good, OK, and bad excuses.

Dimension	Good	OK	Bad
Notification:	Notification delivered in class at least one class meeting prior to absence	Note in mailbox / e-mail day of exam.	Five weeks after assignment due date.
Reason:	Work-related travel. Getting married, personal illness, serious illness of a close relative, death of a close relative.	Too much coursework/job stress. Relationship troubles, ceremonial participation.	Hung over, forgot, getting married more than once, weekly participation in ceremonies of death or other.
What Missed:		Mini-Mid and Mid-Term Exam.	Final paper, exercises, Final Exam
Documentation:	Newspaper, Dr./Clinic appointment, receipt for automotive repair, court summons	Note from Mom.	Insultingly bad forgery.
Made up by:	Next Class Meeting or Prior to Due Date.	Two Class Meetings	Final Exam Week.
Attendance:	I can match name to face.	Pretty sure that you are, or were, in one of my classes.	Couldn't pick you out of a lineup for $100,000.

It is your responsibility to notify me of your need to take a make-up exam or quiz and to arrange a time that accommodates my schedule. Except under extraordinary circumstances, if an exam has not been taken within two weeks or a quiz within one week, of its administration to the class, you will forfeit that quiz/exam and receive a zero.

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My own interpretations and comments follow.

Recording and Distribution of Course Material:
So, talk to me if you need to make a recording in class. Just as a reminder "Audio recording without consent in private settings is prohibited by California Penal code 630-635 (SJSU Policy S12-7).

Academic Integrity: In the long run academic dishonesty hurts only you. Academic dishonesty can also cause pain in the short run.

Workload and Credit Hour Requirements:
The wording is required by the federal government in exchange for Pell Grants and all other Federally backed student aid. The language is that of regulators and translates as: Success is based on the expectation that students will spend 9 (nine) hours / week; 3 (three) hours in the classroom and 6 (six) hours outside the classroom. So, do you spend at least six hours a week studying outside for every one of your classes? No, fewer than 1 in 10 of you do so.

Religious Accommodation:
Included under protest as appears to be a violation of the 14th (Equal Protection) Clause.
Note: I will continue to use my long-standing and far more liberal notification requirement specified above.

A FEW WORDS FOR JS 114

I'm willing

that I hand them back, its your responsibility to come to my office and pick them up. Quizzes and exams are not returned, though you are welcome to review yours in my office.
If a substantial change in due dates or assignments is required, I will distribute an updated greensheet via Canvas or e-mail and announce the new version number in the following class.
A quiz may be postponed for one meeting without creating a new schedule.
To get started on the semester: It's in the greensheet.

This syllabus, like all syllabus is subject to revision.

JS 114
Spring 2021 Schedule

Date	Readings	Activities / Focus
January 27	Hello!	A little testing, expectations, SPSS, and perhaps a bit more.