

San José State University  
College of Social Sciences  
JS 171-80 (42982), Justice Studies, Human Rights and Justice, Fall 2022

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Asynchronous Classroom: Canvas Platform <https://sjsu.instructure.com/>  
Prerequisites: Passage of the Writing Skills Test (WST) or the WST Directed Self Placement or ENGL/LLD 100A with a C or better (not accepted), and completion of Core General Education are prerequisite to all SJSU Student courses. Completion of, or registration in, 100W is strongly recommended. A minimum aggregate GPA of 2.0 in GE Area R, S, & V shall be required of all students.

GE/SJSU Studies Category: Area V: Culture, Civilization & Global Understanding

Course Description

Interdisciplinary exploration of human rights instruments, institutions, and notable human rights campaigns. The historical development of human rights and contemporary threats to the realization of fundamental dignity for humans and nonhumans will also be explored.

Section Description

This course will explore in a comparative and interdisciplinary way the militarized border conflicts of the USA Mexico Border and the Israel Palestine Region. We begin with an analysis of the USA Mexico border and explore the history of the region, issues of security, racial profiling, and the criminalization of immigrants. We continue with an exploration of the Israel Palestine conflict beginning with the historical context of the region, issues of colonialism, social control, and how border violence impact Palestinian women and children. We conclude with a comparative analysis of these two sites.

Justice Studies Department 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 communicate effectively.







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