INSTRUCTOR

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REQUIRED TEXT

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COURSE OBJECTIVES

This course will provide an introduction to criminal investigation. Students will first
learn the step by step process of any investigation, beginning with the preliminary
investigation, the processing of a crime scene, the collection of evidence and the
identification, interviewing and arresting of suspects. They will then learn about the
procedures involved in conducting investigations for crimes against persons and property.

CLASS SCHEDULE

The class will meet each Friday from 12:00 PM until 2:45 PM. The lecture and reading
assignments are tentative pending class discussion, guest speakers and overall pace of the
class. (See reverse side for class schedule.)

GRADING

Students will be graded on a 100 point system. (100-90 points = A, 80-89 points = B,
70-79 points = C), the points will be awarded according to the following guidelines:

1. One midterm exam, Friday, March 9th, at 12:00 PM, which will be worth 30 points.
2. One final exam, Friday, May 11th, at 12:00 PM which will be worth 30 points.
3. One oral presentation which will be worth 30 points.
   ♦ 10 minutes on any related topic of private or criminal investigation.
   ♦ Students must prepare an outline and bibliography for me which must be turned
     in the day of the presentation.
   ♦ Prepare one multiple choice question (on a separate piece of paper) from your
     presentation which I may use on either the midterm or final exam.
4. Class participation which will be worth 10 points.
# TENTATIVE CLASS SCHEDULE

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Course Add/Drop Statement
For information regarding adding and dropping a course, please refer to the Schedule of Instructions, Policies, and Procedures:
http://info.sjsu.edu/cgi-bin/socfiles?command=ftok&arg=soc-spring-narrative

Instructors are permitted to drop students who fail to attend the first scheduled class meeting and who fail to inform the instructor prior to the second class meeting of the reason for any absence and their intention to continue in the class. Some instructors will drop students who do not meet the stated course prerequisites. However, instructors are not required to drop a student from their course. It is the student's responsibility to make sure classes are dropped.

Academic Integrity Statement
In accordance with University policy this course strives to uphold academic honesty. “Your own commitment to learning, as evidenced by your enrollment at San Jose State University, and the University’s Academic Integrity Policy requires you to be honest in all your academic course work. Faculty members are required to report all infractions to the Office of Judicial Affairs.” A student may be reprimanded, receive a failing grade on their evaluation instrument (exam, paper, etc.), have their grade lowered, or receive an “F” in the course, and referred to administrative sanctions if they are suspected of plagiarism or cheating. The policy on academic integrity can be found at:
http://www2.sjsu.edu/senate/S04-12.pdf

To better understand plagiarism and to aid you in making sure that you are not plagiarizing, please see me or visit:
http://tutorials.sjlibrary.org/plagiarism/index.htm

American with Disabilities Act
"If you need course adaptations or accommodations because of a disability, or if you need special arrangements in case the building must be evacuated, please make an appointment with me as soon as possible, or see me during office hours. Presidential Directive 97-03 requires students with disabilities requesting accommodations must register with DRC to establish a record of their disability.”

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