San José State University
Justice Studies Department
JS 155 Victimology
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Class Days/Time: M/W 1:30 to 2:45 p.m.

Classroom: MQH 523

Prerequisites: 100W prerequisite or co-requisite (JS 100W prerequisite or co-requisite for JS Majors)

Course Description
Examination of the relationship between victim and offender; the behavior and attitudes of family, society and justice system toward the victim; nature and extent of loss, injury and damage to the victim.

Course Goals
The goals of the course are: (1) to understand the extent and nature of crime as victims perceive them; (2) to assess the relative risk of victimization; (3) to evaluate the nature and extent of losses, injuries, and damages experienced by victims of crime; (4) to study the relationship between victim and offender; in other words, the victim’s contribution to the criminal offense; and (5) to investigate the social reaction of the family, community, and society toward the victim of crime. Furthermore, the course examines the following topics: (1) the characteristics of victims of crime; (2) the situation in which victimization occurs; and (3) the treatment of the victim in the criminal justice system.

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

CLO #1 Explain the theories and methods of victimology.

CLO #2 Explain examples of the relationship between victim and offender from competing points of view.

CLO #3 Explain the behavior and attitudes of family, society, and the criminal justice toward the victim.
Required Texts/Readings

Textbook

Other Readings
Additional required articles are listed below:

Library Liaison (Optional)
Silke Higgins, MLK Librarian silke.higgins@sjsu.edu
Course Requirements and Assignments

SJU classes are designed such that in order to be successful, it is expected that students will spend a minimum of forty-five hours for each unit of credit (normally three hours per unit per week), including preparing for class, participating in course activities, completing assignments, and so on. More details about student workload can be found in University Policy S12-3 at http://www.sjsu.edu/senate/docs/S12-3.pdf.

Requirements:
(1) You are required to read all chapters in advance.
(2) Please bring the textbook(s) to class.
(3) Your grade is based on 2 article reviews, small group participation/discussion, 1 mid-term exam, and 1 final exam.

Assignment:
I will NOT accept your late assignment. Your assignment must be turned in on the assigned day in class.

If you are ill on the day when the assignment is due, you need to present your doctor’s note in order to get appropriate credits. Then you will turn in your paper on the next class period. I will NOT accept your email submission. Without the doctor’s note, you will NOT receive any points. Regardless of the reasons, you will not receive any credits for your assignment if you will not follow this instruction. The assignment is scheduled in the beginning of the semester, and there is no reason why you cannot complete these assignments prior to the due date. This is your responsibility.

Article Review (60 points) (30 points X 2= 60 points)
You will be required to review the following two (2) articles and turn in your review paper on the day when we discuss in class.

Article Review #1 due on February 16 (Monday), 2015 in Class

Article Review #2 due on April 1 (Wednesday), 2015 in Class

Article Review Format:
Include the title of the article and the author’s name(s), your name and the date submitted.

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### Paragraphs Two – Four:
- Summarize the main research presented in the article: Hypothesis/Research Question (If there is any hypothesis or research question)
- Data, Theory and Results
- Conclusions

### Final Paragraph:
- Personal response to article: How it applies to this Victimology course
- Critiques/Questions

### Note:
1. Your written comments should be typed and double-spaced with 12-font.
2. This review should be approximately 2 pages.
3. This paper should be written in an essay format (use formal English writing techniques).
4. You need to use APA style.

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**Small Group Participation/Discussion (70 points) (5 points x 14 = 70 points)**

You are expected to have done all of the assigned reading and to be prepared to discuss that reading in a small group. That is, you are expected to participate in weekly group discussions over the required articles. Failure to prepare for a class by not completing the reading will be a factor in your participation points.

**Note:** Please do NOT turn in a prepared summary brought by one of the group members. The group report must be written in class with everyone’s input. Regardless of the reasons, if you are absent, you will lose the points.

**Small Group Discussions**

- You will read the assigned article prior to coming to the class (see the syllabus).
- In class, you will discuss the following points in a small group (3 to 4 students) and your group is expected to turn in your group report in class.

1. What is the purpose of the study/research?
2. What are the hypotheses/research questions, if there are any?
3. Discuss theory, if included.
4. What kind of data did the author collect, if they collected?
5. Explain the findings.
6. Did the author support the hypotheses, if there were any hypotheses?
7. Critically evaluate and summarize the article.

**Exams (100 points each):**

Mid-term and Final exams are in-class exams. Mid-term and Final examinations consist of multiple-choice, true-false, short-essay and long-essay questions.
You must take the exam on the scheduled day. However, if you are ill on the day of the exam, you need to inform me of your illness and submit your doctor’s note in order for you to take the exam at a later time with my approval.

If you need special accommodation for your final exam, be sure to contact the Accessible Education Center (formerly known as DRC) earlier in the semester.

**Mid-Term Exam (100 points):**
The mid-term exam is scheduled on **Wednesday, March 18, 2015 in class.**

**Final Exam (100 points):**
The final exam is scheduled on **Wednesday, May 20, 2015 from 12:15 to 2:30 p.m.**

**Final Grade (330 points):**
(1) 1 Mid-term Exam (CLO #1 and #2) 100 points
(2) 1 Final Exam (CLO #1 and #2) 100 points
(3) 2 Article Reviews (CLO #1 and #3) 60 points
(4) 14 Small Group Discussions (CLO #1 and #3) 70 points

You will not be able to drop the class after the official DROP Day except when you have medical emergency with your doctor’s note.

**A final grade of incomplete (I):**
http://www.sjsu.edu/registrar/students/gradesgrades_changes/grade_symbols_and_values/

**Total Points Possible: 330 points (There is no possibility of extra credit)**

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**Make-up Policy:** There will be no make-ups for your missed exams. There will be only one exception to this policy. Those students who provide written notice in advance who must miss class for university business will have special tests arranged usually before the scheduled test.

**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 literacy is evident not only within the span of a specific course, semester, or academic program but also over the span of a lifetime.

**Classroom Protocol**

1. Turn off your cell phone or pager in class.
2. Do not come to class late or leave class early. If you have to arrive in class late regularly, I advise you not to take this course.
3. Respect your classmates’ ideas and opinions, even when they are different from yours.
4. Do not chat with your classmates in class unless you are expected to have discussions in a small group.
5. **Without the instructor’s permission, audio or video recordings cannot be made in this class** ([University Policy S12-7](http://www.sjsu.edu/senate/docs/S12-7.pdf)).

**University Policies**

**Dropping and Adding**

Students are responsible for understanding the policies and procedures about add/drop, grade forgiveness, etc. Refer to the current semester’s [Catalog Policies](http://info.sjsu.edu/static/catalog/policies.html) section at [http://info.sjsu.edu/static/catalog/policies.html](http://info.sjsu.edu/static/catalog/policies.html). Add/drop deadlines can be found on the current academic year calendars document on the [Academic Calendars webpage](http://www.sjsu.edu/provost/services/academic_calendars/). The [Late Drop Policy](http://www.sjsu.edu/aars/policies/latetransferto/). Students should be aware of the current deadlines and penalties for dropping classes.

Information about the latest changes and news is available at the [Advising Hub](http://www.sjsu.edu/advising/).

**Consent for Recording of Class and Public Sharing of Instructor Material**

[University Policy S12-7](http://www.sjsu.edu/senate/docs/S12-7.pdf), requires students to obtain instructor’s permission to record the course:

- “Common courtesy and professional behavior dictate that you notify someone when you are recording him/her. You must obtain the instructor’s permission to make audio or video recordings in this class. Such permission allows the recordings to be used for your private, study purposes only. The recordings are the intellectual property of the instructor; you have not been given any rights to reproduce or distribute the material.”
- “Course material developed by the instructor is the intellectual property of the instructor and cannot be shared publicly without his/her approval. You may not publicly share or upload instructor generated material for this course such as exam questions, lecture notes, or homework solutions without instructor consent.”
Academic integrity

Your commitment, as a student, to learning is evidenced by your enrollment at San Jose State University. The University Academic Integrity Policy S07-2 at http://www.sjsu.edu/senate/docs/S07-2.pdf requires you to be honest in all your academic course work. Faculty members are required to report all infractions to the office of Student Conduct and Ethical Development. The Student Conduct and Ethical Development website is available at http://www.sjsu.edu/studentconduct/.

Campus Policy in Compliance with the American Disabilities Act

If you need course adaptations or accommodations because of a disability, or if you need to make 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 at http://www.sjsu.edu/president/docs/directives/PD_1997-03.pdf requires that students with disabilities requesting accommodations must register with the Accessible Education Center (AEC) at http://www.sjsu.edu/aec to establish a record of their disability.

Accommodation to Students' Religious Holidays

San José State University shall provide accommodation on any graded class work or activities for students wishing to observe religious holidays when such observances require students to be absent from class. It is the responsibility of the student to inform the instructor, in writing, about such holidays before the add deadline at the start of each semester. If such holidays occur before the add deadline, the student must notify the instructor, in writing, at least three days before the date that he/she will be absent. It is the responsibility of the instructor to make every reasonable effort to honor the student request without penalty, and of the student to make up the work missed. See University Policy S14-7 at http://www.sjsu.edu/senate/docs/S14-7.pdf.

Student Technology Resources (Optional)

Computer labs for student use are available in the Academic Success Center at http://www.sjsu.edu/at/asc/ located on the 1st floor of Clark Hall and in the Associated Students Lab on the 2nd floor of the Student Union. Additional computer labs may be available in your department/college. Computers are also available in the Martin Luther King Library. A wide variety of audio-visual equipment is available for student checkout from Media Services located in IRC 112. These items include DV and HD digital camcorders; digital still cameras; video, slide and overhead projectors; DVD, CD, and audiotape players; sound systems, wireless microphones, projection screens and monitors.

SJSU Peer Connections (Optional)

Peer Connections, a campus-wide resource for mentoring and tutoring, strives to inspire students to develop their potential as independent learners while they learn to successfully navigate through their university experience. You are encouraged to take advantage of their services which include course-content based tutoring, enhanced study and time management skills, more effective critical thinking strategies, decision making and problem-solving abilities, and campus resource referrals.

In addition to offering small group, individual, and drop-in tutoring for a number of undergraduate courses, consultation with mentors is available on a drop-in or by appointment basis. Workshops are offered on a wide
variety of topics including preparing for the Writing Skills Test (WST), improving your learning and memory, alleviating procrastination, surviving your first semester at SJSU, and other related topics. A computer lab and study space are also available for student use in Room 600 of Student Services Center (SSC).

Peer Connections is located in three locations: SSC, Room 600 (10th Street Garage on the corner of 10th and San Fernando Street), at the 1st floor entrance of Clark Hall, and in the Living Learning Center (LLC) in Campus Village Housing Building B. Visit Peer Connections website at http://peerconnections.sjsu.edu for more information.

**SJSU Writing Center**

The SJSU Writing Center is located in Clark Hall, Suite 126. All Writing Specialists have gone through a rigorous hiring process, and they are well trained to assist all students at all levels within all disciplines to become better writers. In addition to one-on-one tutoring services, the Writing Center also offers workshops every semester on a variety of writing topics. To make an appointment or to refer to the numerous online resources offered through the Writing Center, visit the Writing Center website at http://www.sjsu.edu/writingcenter. For additional resources and updated information, follow the Writing Center on Twitter and become a fan of the SJSU Writing Center on Facebook. (Note: You need to have a QR Reader to scan this code.)

**SJSU Counseling Services**

The SJSU Counseling Services is located on the corner of 7th Street and San Fernando Street, in Room 201, Administration Building. Professional psychologists, social workers, and counselors are available to provide consultations on issues of student mental health, campus climate or psychological and academic issues on an individual, couple, or group basis. To schedule an appointment or learn more information, visit Counseling Services website at http://www.sjsu.edu/counseling.
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Ch. 1 and Ch. 2 Karmen  

**Article:**  
(1) Walker, Unknown. History of the Victims’ Movement in the United States |

| 2    | February 4-11  | Patterns of Criminal Victimization  
Ch. 3 Karmen  

**Articles:**  
(1) McIntyre and Windom, 2011. Childhood Victimization and Crime Victimization (Group 1 on February 9)  

| 2    | February 16    | The Impact of Victimization  

**Articles:**  

| 3    | February 18-23 | Types of Crime: Murders and Robberies  
Ch. 4 Karmen  

**Articles:**  

| 3    | February 25 -March 4 | Types of Crime: Victimized Children  
Ch. 8 Karnen  

**Articles:**  
(1) Smith, Letourneau, Saunders, Kilpatrick, Resnick, and Best, 2000. Delay in Disclosure of Childhood Rape (Group 5 on March 2)  
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