SOCI 101-04 Social Theory

COURSE AND CONTACT INFORMATION

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Course Website:  https://sjsu.instructure.com
Prerequisite:  SOCI 1 Introduction to Sociology and junior-level standing
Co-Requisite:  SOCI 100w Writing Workshop
Recommendation:  Completion of at least one other sociology courses to appreciate fully the issues and debates discussed in this course.

ACCESSING THE COURSE WEB PAGE

SJSU operates a web-based learning management software called “Canvas by Instructure.” This course uses Canvas as its website to distribute reading materials, selected handouts and assignments, and other instructional materials and to submit selected assignments.

Make sure you have an appropriate and dependable web browser and software settings for your computer to access and use Canvas. To familiarize yourself with the login process and security, go to http://www.sjsu.edu/at/ec/canvas/index.html.

To log-in, use:

- Your 9-digit SJSU ID number as the username.
- Your SJSUOne password as the password.

To reset your password, go to https://sjsuone.sjsu.edu/sjsuone/resetpassword/

Communication

It is important to check your Canvas mail and Canvas announcements regularly.

Getting Support

For technical support, go to https://isupport.sjsu.edu/ecampus/ContentPages/Home.aspx. Contact me if you have course-specific questions.
COURSE DESCRIPTION

This is an upper-division introductory course in sociological theory. It is an innovative course that focuses on the ways sociologists and others use social theories to address substantive issues and problems in our society. It goes beyond the standard coverage that surveys the major perspectives in sociology and presents the historical development of social theories, which has promoted often student boredom and disengagement. Instead, this course emphasizes how sociological theories can develop appropriate solution-based interventions to social problems once we understand properly the generative mechanisms causing these problems.

We will start by examining problems related to deterministic arguments related to biology, psychology, and “culture.” We will then examine theories to address general problems related to situational injustice, institutional and systemic crisis, and empirical research questions.

This course offers you the opportunity to hone your skills in reading, analyzing, comparing, and critically evaluating major social theories. That is, we will be asked to develop further your skills of critical analysis and self-expression by applying theories appropriately, and presenting clear written arguments about our social surroundings.

COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES (CLOs)

Upon successful completion of this course, participants will be able to:

CLO1: Explain—in a comparative manner—the central theoretical concepts and perspectives in sociology

CLO2: Assess the strengths and weaknesses of interpretive and critical perspectives and the weaknesses of out-of-date perspectives in sociology

CLO3: Enact appropriate personal, research, and social change activities by using the best sociological perspective to address a range of likely events related to situational injustice, institutional crisis, and systemic crisis

CLO4: Deepen your recognition of how sociology differs from non-sociological inquiries

The following table indicates how this course supports in ensuring your successful completion of the B.A. sociology program outcomes (PLOs):

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<td>PLO1: Be able to think sociologically about the relationship between social structure, interaction, identities, and inequalities</td>
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<td>PLO2: Be able to identify and explain major sociological theories and apply them to everyday life</td>
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<td>PLO3: Be proficient in qualitative and quantitative research design, data collection and data analysis</td>
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<td>PLO4: Be proficient in oral and written communication skills appropriate to the discipline</td>
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<td>PLO5: Be able to practice sociology as educated and civically engaged persons</td>
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READINGS AND MATERIALS

Required Readings

- *Sociology 101: Social Theory Readings*, Fall 2016. Readings available at the Canvas site in PDF format for course participants.

Other Materials

- A dependable personal computer with capacity to access the Canvas site, library databases, and relevant websites.
- An office software suite with basic word-processing capacities such as LibreOffice (available free at http://www.libreoffice.org), Google Docs (available free at https://docs.google.com or https://drive.google.com), or Microsoft Office.
- Class handouts to be distributed during the semester.

THE SJSU LIBRARY AND OUR LIBRARY LIAISON

The library provides online tutorials on using the library and academic integrity (see http://library.sjsu.edu/online-tutorials/). To get online access to library databases, see http://library.sjsu.edu/get-library-card/my-library-account-pin-management.

Kathryn Blackmer Reyes (Kathryn.BlackmerReyes@sjsu.edu), the Library Liaison to sociology, is available by appointment and for consultation.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS AND ASSIGNMENTS

*Active class participation* (to assess CLO#1, #2, #3, and #4): Required readings and in-class activities provide introductory insights and important details on social theorists and their theories. *Take good notes on your questions. Please bring your questions and the readings to class so we can discuss them closely.* If you do not understand specific readings, I urge you strongly to meet with me in my office so we can discuss them more thoroughly. *Quizzes* on the readings will assess your preparation and understanding on the assigned readings. *Mini-lectures* focus on substantive materials and analysis and expand on the materials introduced in the readings. The lectures relate to but not necessarily cover every important aspect of the readings. Make sure not to form improper habits of passive listening, passive notetaking, and regurgitation.

Evaluation of class participation and analytical creativity based on the following criteria: raising open-ended questions you based on the readings, your attention to details in the readings, your ability to synthesize discussions, and your overall contribution to the discussion. Factors that aid in your participation include completing the assigned work before class, arriving to class on time and staying for the whole time, paying attention, and actively and respectively listening to the discussion. Factors that may limit your full participation include digital and mobile distractions (checking your phone, messages, emails, or online websites), reading any materials not related to the discussion, and not staying awake. You will *not earn any credit related to participation* if you miss ten or more class sessions (which is about 40% or more of the course).

*Skill-practice assignments* (to assess CLO#1, #2, #3, and #4): You are expected to complete several short skill-practice assignments. The assignments ask you to apply and synthesize
the assigned readings and aim to deepen your grasp of theoretical positions and debates. 

*Your lowest grade* will be dropped. Directions will be provided during the semester.

**In-class exams (to assess CLO#1, #2, #3, and #4):** The exams, which consists of short-answer and essay questions, evaluate your understanding of theoretical concepts, approaches, and applications.

**Final report and presentation (to assess CLO#1, #2, #3, and #4):** The final essay and presentation expand on issues raised in the readings and mini-lectures and allow for the sharpening of your analytical, speaking, and argumentative abilities. You will be asked to write an eight-page argumentative essay.

Learning to write well can be developed only through persistence and hard work. In addition to my specific suggestions and encouragement, there are university resources available to help you foster these skills. Details given later will address the specific organization and content for the assignment.

### GRADING INFORMATION

**Evaluation Principles**

Your final grade derives from multiple methods of evaluation and several opportunities for practice, improvement, and learning with on meaningful feedback. Evaluation is fair and just, reflecting your effort and learning based on clear directions and criteria.

**Determination of Your Course Grade**

The satisfactory completion of the following requirements determines your overall grade:

- **20%** Active participation & analytical creativity during reading discussion and in-class activities
- **25%** Skill-practice assignments
- **30%** Two in-class exams (15% each)
- **15%** Final report, due tentatively Dec 8
- **10%** Report presentation, starting tentatively Nov 29

**Grading Criteria**

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<td>A+</td>
<td>98-100</td>
<td>Demonstrates excellent understanding of the course materials. Embodies a sociologist-in-training who is highly ethical, competent, and professional or equivalent. Consistently contributes in promoting class discussion and the learning of others and deepens learning that is self-initiated.</td>
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<td>A</td>
<td>93-97</td>
<td>Demonstrates good level of understanding of the course materials.</td>
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<td>A-</td>
<td>90-92</td>
<td>Embodies a sociologist-in-training who is ethical, competent, and professional or equivalent. Shows some gaps in argumentation, writing, and completed tasks. Contributes to class discussion, yet in a limited manner.</td>
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<td>B+</td>
<td>88-89</td>
<td>Demonstrates an acceptable yet uneven level of understanding of the course materials.</td>
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<td>B</td>
<td>83-87</td>
<td>Embodies a sociologist-in-training who is satisfactorily ethical, competent, and professional or equivalent. Shows major gaps in argumentation, writing, and completed tasks. Contributes to class discussion minimally.</td>
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<td>B-</td>
<td>80-82</td>
<td>Demonstrates poor but passing understanding of the course materials.</td>
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<td>C+</td>
<td>78-79</td>
<td>Embodies a sociologist-in-training who is not quite ethical, competent, and professional or equivalent. Shows highly significant gaps in writing, assignments, and participation.</td>
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<td>C</td>
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<td>Demonstrates serious deficiency in competing assigned tasks (including participation) at the appropriate level and unacceptable understanding of the course materials. Shows very limited effort to learn the material and succeed academically and professionally.</td>
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<td>D+</td>
<td>68-69</td>
<td>Shows minimal understanding of the course materials.</td>
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<td>D</td>
<td>63-67</td>
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<td>D-</td>
<td>60-62</td>
<td>Demonstrates serious deficiency in competing assigned tasks (including participation) at the appropriate level and unacceptable understanding of the course materials. Shows very limited effort to learn the material and succeed academically and professionally.</td>
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<td>F</td>
<td>59 &amp; below</td>
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Request for an Incomplete Grade

To receive an incomplete for the course, you must inform the instructor in person seven-days before the last day of instruction. A grade of incomplete will only be considered for students who are (a) passing the course with a C or better, (b) present a legitimate, non-academic reason to the instructor, and (c) have only one major assignment left to finish.

PROMOTION OF CARING, ACCESSIBLE, ENRICHING AND MUTUALLY RESPECTFUL LEARNING ENVIRONMENT FOR ALL

My pedagogical values...

- I have high expectations for your performance in class and on assignments and for every student to be competent sociologists. I believe you can do the work, and I will coach you though the process. I demand a lot from you because I seek to develop you further academically and professionally.
- I think learning should be fun, exciting, and challenging.
- I am interested in your academic development and personal well-being.
- I think that learning and teaching are complex, endlessly fascinating collaborations.

As the instructor, I expect myself...

- To work hard to help you succeed in the course
- To be available if you need extra help
- To share my knowledge, training, and professional experiences and show how to make use of course content
- To model professional skills, ethics, and values
- To treat all students fairly, justly, and reasonable, particularly related to grading
- To provide meaningful feedback on your work
- To take lead in maintaining a positive, challenging learning environment

As students, you are expected...

- To be motivated and have a positive attitude to learn the course materials
- To commit a reasonable amount of effort to complete the readings and assignments, persevere, and have fun in learning the materials and to grow from mistakes
- To be prepared and participate verbally every class session.
  The prerequisite for such active participation is attendance.
- To lead class discussion as part of your participation
- To read the assigned materials before coming to the seminar so we can discuss them in detail. This means that you are familiar with the assigned readings and are able to raise thoughtful questions that encourage an interactive-learning and student-centered discussion.
- To complete required readings and assignments on time — that is, before coming to class. Written work should be proofread and edited. Assignments are due at the beginning of class. There will be substantial loss of credit for late work. Do NOT email them to me. Do NOT turn them in to the department office; this is a College of Social Sciences policy. Do NOT slide them under my office door.
- To be responsible in your learning and conduct yourself professionally by:
  - Attending class regularly. If you missed class, talk with your peers to learn what happened and get notes. After talking to classmates, if you have additional questions, talk with me in person.
  - Not disrupting the learning environment and the learning by your peers
- To contribute in maintaining a positive, respectful, and challenging learning environment and ensure a thoughtful and respectful engagement with the subject matter
- To cooperate and collaborate with your peers in teams, in class, and outside of class
- **To practice academic integrity and your owned intellectual work.** Academic dishonestly such as plagiarism and cheating violates university regulation. It will not be tolerated. Do give proper acknowledgement to ideas, facts, and arguments that you did not initially construct or demonstrate. This applies to in-class discussions and all written work. Notwithstanding this warning, you are strongly encouraged to discuss the class readings with students in or out of class, but acknowledge the ideas you received from others regardless of how casually you come to such ideas. **Note:** Your written work in this course may be evaluated for plagiarism using [Turnitin.com](http://turnitin.com), a plagiarism detection service contracted by SJSU
- To prevent class disruption and student inattentiveness resulting from the *personal use* of cell phones, smart phones, laptop computers, and other mobile communication devices during the class. Please leave the classroom to send and read text messages and make personal phone calls.
- To use laptop computers during class for note-taking and other class-related work only. Those using computers during class for work not related to that class must leave the classroom.

**UNIVERSITY POLICIES**

Per University Policy S16-9, university-wide policy information relevant to all courses, such as academic integrity, accommodations, etc. will be available on Office of Graduate and Undergraduate Programs’ Syllabus Information web page at http://www.sjsu.edu/gup/syllabusinfo/. 
1: AUGUST 25, COURSE INTRODUCTION

2: AUGUST 30, CLARIFYING THE SOCIAL PROBLEMS TO SOLVE

The formulation of problems, then, should include explicit attention to a range of public issues and of personal troubles; and they should be open up for inquiry the causal connections between the milieux and social structures… Moreover, the answer to the problem, if any, is to be tested in part by its usefulness in explaining troubles and issues as they are experienced.

— C. Wright Mills (1959:130-131)

Between me and the other world there is even an unasked question…. How does it feel to be a problem?

— W. E. B. Du Bois (1909:11)

READ BEFORE CLASS:


3: SEPTEMBER 1, IDENTIFYING ROOT CAUSES TO SOLVE PROBLEMS (1)

“The humane purpose of sociology” thus becomes the revelation of the root causes of the inequalities which permeate our society, with an orientation towards political action.

— Branson and Miller (1979:164)

A sequence of events or a pattern of behavior are explained as being part of a system and the mechanism tells what it is about that system that generates the uniformity. Mechanisms explain causal relations by describing the “power” inherent in a system, be those systems substances (like gas and gunpowder) or agents (like examiners or policy-makers) or structures (like bureaucracies or social programs)…. The mechanism explains what it is about the system that makes things happen.

— Pawson (2006:23)

READ BEFORE CLASS:


4: SEPTEMBER 6, IDENTIFYING ROOT CAUSES TO SOLVE PROBLEMS (2)

READ BEFORE CLASS:

Biologic(al reductionism (biologism): A theoretical approach that aims to explain all social or cultural phenomena in biological terms, denying them any causal autonomy.

Within the human sciences, there have been attempts to explain observed differences in group behavior—such as performance on intelligence tests, rates of mental illness, intergenerational poverty, male dominance or patriarchy, and propensity for crime—as being biologically determined, by claiming that groups have different biological capacities or evolutionary trajectories. — A Dictionary of Sociology (Scott & Marshall 2009:43)

READ BEFORE CLASS:

Excerpts from "Introduction" & "Feminist and Gender Theories." Pp. 1-5 and 220-222. [IST]


OPTIONALLY READ FOR CLASS:


Cognitive psychology, which focuses on the use and handling of information (often employing computer models), is now the dominant approach within academic psychology, and has transformed older behaviorist approaches. — A Dictionary of Sociology (Scott & Marshall 2009:92)

READ BEFORE CLASS:


Cultural Determinism: A belief that the dominant culture or way of life of a society or group exerts a determining influence on other aspects of human activities. — Dictionary of Sociology (Lawson and Garrod 2001:55)

Cultural Dopes: A term in criticism of determinist theories that see individuals as unable to affect their own lives through their actions. It is often used as a critique of functionalist theories that suggest that individuals blindly follow the dictates of society without agency of their own. Interactionists argue that, on the contrary, individuals do have real choices and are not determined by their social position. — Dictionary of Sociology (Lawson and Garrod 2001:55)
READ BEFORE CLASS:

Chandler, Daniel. 1995. “Technological or Media Determinism.” [C]


OPTIONALLY READ FOR CLASS:


“Ethnomethodology.” Pp. 118-123. [IST]


8: SEPTEMBER 20, RETHINKING CHILD SOCIALIZATION & FUNCTIONALISM

READ BEFORE CLASS:

Excerpt from “Emile Durkheim.” Pp. 59-68 and 79-82. [IST]


OPTIONALLY READ FOR CLASS:

Excerpt from “Emile Durkheim.” Pp. 71-73. [IST]

Durkheim, Emile. 1897 [1951]. “Suicide.” [C]

9: SEPTEMBER 22, THINKING ABOUT SITUATIONAL INJUSTICE

READ BEFORE CLASS:


10: SEPTEMBER 27, SOLUTIONS TO SITUATIONAL INJUSTICE

The search for justice as an ongoing, principled struggle resists disciplinary power relations and gives meaning to everyday life.... Like Sojourner Truth, Black women often approach this search for meaning by expressing a deep-seated concern with the issues of justice, not just because they either think justice is logical or see pragmatic reasons for pursuing it, but because they believe that achieving it is the right thing to do. — Collins (1998:199, 244)

READ BEFORE CLASS:

Marx, Karl (with Friedrich Engels). 1844-1859. “Selected Key Marx’s Concepts.” [C]

11: SEPTEMBER 29, THINKING ABOUT INSTITUTIONAL CRISIS: FAMILY, NEIGHBORHOOD, SCHOOLING, & WORK (1)

Sociology … is a science concerning itself with the interpretive understanding [verstehen] of social action and thereby with a causal explanation of its course and consequences. — Weber (1921 [1968]:4)

Philosophers have hitherto only interpreted the world in various ways; the point is to change it. — Marx (1845)

READ BEFORE CLASS:

“Marx and Marxism.” Pp. 30-47 and 55-57. [IST]


OPTIONAL READINGS FOR YOUR REFERENCE:


Marx. “Historical Materialism” [C]

12: OCTOBER 4, THINKING ABOUT INSTITUTIONAL CRISIS: FAMILY, NEIGHBORHOOD, SCHOOLING, & WORK (2)

READ BEFORE CLASS:


13: OCTOBER 6, REVIEW

REVIEW BEFORE CLASS:


Excerpt from “Introduction.” Pp. 5-22. [IST]

14: OCTOBER 11, MID-TERM EXAM

15: OCTOBER 13, THINKING ABOUT INSTITUTIONAL CRISIS: FAMILY, NEIGHBORHOOD, SCHOOLING, & WORK (3)

Our group histories and lived experiences are intertwined with global legacies of resistance to colonialism, imperialism, racist, anti-Semitism, religious fundamentalist, sexism, and heterosexism. When theorizing about feminist latinidades, we reveal the interrelationships among these systems of power. — Latina Feminist Group (2001:10)
Those who are racially marginalized are like the miner’s canary: their distress is the first sign of a danger that threatens us all. — Guinier and Torres (2002:11)

READ BEFORE CLASS:

“Feminist and Gender Theories.” [Pp. 208-235. IST]

OPTIONAL READINGS FOR YOUR REFERENCE:


16: OCTOBER 18, SOLUTIONS TO INSTITUTIONAL CRISIS AND SITUATIONAL INJUSTICE

READ BEFORE CLASS:


17: OCTOBER 20, SOLUTIONS TO INSTITUTIONAL CRISIS AND SITUATIONAL INJUSTICE (2)

18: OCTOBER 25, THINKING ABOUT INSTITUTIONAL CRISIS: HUMAN RIGHTS AND THE COMMUNITY (2)

READ BEFORE CLASS:


19: OCTOBER 27, THINKING ABOUT INSTITUTIONAL CRISIS: HUMAN RIGHTS AND THE COMMUNITY (3)

READ BEFORE CLASS:

“Michel Foucault.” [Pp. 125-146. IST]

20: NOVEMBER 1, THINKING ABOUT INSTITUTIONAL CRISIS: HUMAN RIGHTS AND THE COMMUNITY (4)

READ BEFORE CLASS:

21: NOVEMBER 3, THINKING ABOUT SOLUTIONS TO SYSTEMIC CRISIS: IMPERIALISM AND NEOLIBERAL GLOBALIZATION (1)

READ BEFORE CLASS:


22: NOVEMBER 8, THINKING ABOUT SOLUTIONS TO SYSTEMIC CRISIS: IMPERIALISM AND NEOLIBERAL GLOBALIZATION (2)

READ BEFORE CLASS:


OPTIONAL READINGS FOR YOUR REFERENCE:


23: NOVEMBER 10, THINKING ABOUT SOLUTIONS TO SYSTEMIC CRISIS: IMPERIALISM AND NEOLIBERAL GLOBALIZATION (3)

READ BEFORE CLASS:


OPTIONAL READINGS FOR YOUR REFERENCE:


24: NOVEMBER 15, THINKING ABOUT SOLUTIONS TO SYSTEMIC CRISIS: IMPERIALISM AND NEOLIBERAL GLOBALIZATION (4)

READ BEFORE CLASS:


Gunderson, Christopher. 2014. “The Persistent Return of the Wretched of the Earth: Neo-Zapatismo and Revolutionary Theory.” New York: CUNY Graduate Center Program in Sociology. [C]

OPTIONAL READINGS FOR YOUR REFERENCE:

25: NOVEMBER 17, FURTHERING THEORY BY ANSWERING EMPIRICAL QUESTIONS (1)

READ BEFORE CLASS:

- Durkheim, Emile. “What is a Social Fact?” [C]

26: NOVEMBER 22, FURTHERING THEORY BY ANSWERING EMPIRICAL QUESTIONS (2)

READ BEFORE CLASS:

- Smith, Dorothy. 1974. “Knowing a Society from Within: A Women’s Standpoint.” [C]

27: NOVEMBER 29, PRESENTATIONS

28: DECEMBER 1, PRESENTATIONS

29: DECEMBER 6, CLOSING REMARKS

READ BEFORE CLASS:

- Miles, Sheila. “How to Present Your Sociological Education to the Labor Market” [C]
- Hammond, Osbourne & Patel. “Viewpoints from Three Sociology Graduates” [C]
- Freeland, Kay. “A Sociology Graduate in Employment” [C]
- White, Tracia Lain. “Being a Sociologist Employed in Public Agencies” [C]

30: DECEMBER 8, REVIEW

ASSIGNMENT DUE:

- Final Report

DECEMBER 20 (TUESDAY, 2:45 – 5:00 P.M.), FINAL EXAM
SJSU CAMPUS EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

FIRES, EARTHQUAKES AND OTHER DISASTERS

- **Call 9-1-1** or use a blue light telephone to summon University Police assistance for any campus police, fire, or medical emergencies. Give your name, the nature of the emergency, and your specific location. Stay on the line until the University Police Dispatcher tells you to hang up.
- Use extinguishers for **minor fires**. If a fire appears uncontrollable, **close all room doors** to confine the fire, **pull the building fire alarm lever**, evacuate the area or building, and then **call 9-11**.
- **Remain calm** during an earthquake. “Duck, cover and hold” under a desk or table, or stand in a doorway or against an interior wall. Wait at least two minutes after shaking stops before leaving a building. Move to a clear area well away from structures or overhead hazards such as trees or power lines.
- **Help disabled persons** evacuate the building. Follow instructions of Building Emergency Team members and University Police. Do not use elevators.
- **Tune to radio** station KSJS 90.5 FM for campus information. A campus information line will be set up as soon as possible after a major emergency -- call 924-SJSU (924-7578) for instructions, information, and updates.

MEDICAL EMERGENCIES

- **Call 9-1-1**. Give your name, the nature of the emergency, and your specific location. Tell the University Police Dispatcher what assistance you need (ambulance, paramedics, etc.).
- **Assist the victim** until help arrives. If you, or someone in the area, are trained in CPR, perform CPR if necessary. Stop bleeding with direct pressure to the wound. Do not move a victim unless his or her life is in immediate danger. Do **not leave victims unattended**. Be careful about contaminating yourself and others if hazardous materials may be involved.
- For **minor first aid**, report in person to the Student Health Center weekdays from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. or call University Police at 924-2222.

BUILDING EVACUATION

- **Leave** by the nearest safe exit when you hear the building emergency alarm (fire alarm), or if you are told to do so by University Police or a Building Emergency Team member.
- **Take keys**, books, **wallets**, prescription **medicines** and important personal belongings with you in case you cannot re-enter immediately. Move at least 150 feet away from all structures. **Do not smoke**.
- **Use the stairs**. Do **not** use elevators--in case of fire or earthquake, many elevators stop in place and you may be trapped or exposed to deadly smoke.
- Re-enter a building only after University Police or Building Emergency Team members tell you that it is safe to do so.

POLICE - FIRE - MEDICAL EMERGENCY
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For further information visit the University Police Web site at:

http://www.sjsu.edu/police/