

Justice Studies 10
INTRODUCTION TO JUSTICE STUDIES
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Course Description

A survey of the historical and philosophical developments of the criminal justice system. Course covers description, analysis and evaluation of the components of the system: police, courts and corrections. We will look at how the system works, the relationship between theory and practice, and individual rights in a democratic society.

Course Objectives

1. To provide an understanding of the nature of crime in the U.S.
2. To provide knowledge and understanding of the structure, processes and goals of the criminal justice system.
3. To provide an understanding of the relationship between the agencies which make up the criminal justice system.

Text

Inciardi: ***Criminal Justice** (Required, 8th edition recommended, older editions OK, but pages may not match those in handouts and assignments, so be sure to double check reading assignments)

Inciardi: **Criminal Justice Student Study Guide** (*strongly recommended*)

Champion: **American Dictionary of Criminal Justice** (*strongly recommended for JS majors*)

Method of Instruction Lectures, guest speakers, video presentations, field observation and class discussion. .

Evaluation You are able to keep track of your grades in JS10 using the grade book on the course website. Scores are normally updated immediately after assignments are graded.

Introduction Paper	25 points
3 examinations (50 points each)	150 points
Field Observation Write-Up	50 points
Video questions	50 points
Quizzes	50 points
<u>Final exam</u>	<u>75 points</u>

Total Points Available 400 points

A = 400 -360, B = 359 - 320, C = 319 - 280, D = 279 - 240, F = 239 or below

You must complete all your assignments on time. Late papers **will not** be accepted. Consideration for missed assignments and/or exams will only be given in the event of a verifiable medical emergency.

Website Registration

Students will be required to register on the course website in order to take the course quizzes, keep track of their grades and receive updates concerning course discussion topics.. Registration can be completed at <http://prcarrjr.pageout.net> If you have limited computer access or difficulty registering on the website please contact me as soon as possible.

Introduction paper

Each student will complete a two page type written introduction paper discussing the police/society relationship that most interests you and your future goals in the justice system. The introduction paper must be completed prior to any further assignments being accepted. Papers turned in after the due date will receive a score of zero, but are still required to be submitted. Your introduction paper **must** include a one to two line written statement that you have reviewed and understand the academic integrity policy of the university.

Exams may include multiple choice, T-F, fill-in, and essay questions. Exams will cover material from text, lectures, guest speakers, handouts, and video presentations.

Field Observations and write-up must be done according to format provided. Go to my website to see guidelines and sample write-ups. Your write-up must be typed, double-spaced, and well written. Grammar, punctuation, and spelling count – please proofread before you submit. Your write up should be 4-6 pages long, and based on a 4-6 hour court or ride-along observation. *Turn in your write-up as soon as possible after completing your field observation, but no later than:*

Police Ride Along/ Court Observations Write-Up Due Monday, April 30

Video Questions Several videos or portions of videos will be shown during the semester to emphasize key points or concepts. Video review questions will be handed out at the end of the class session during five of the video presentations. The review questions must be completed and returned during the next class session. Each video review will be worth 10 points.

Online Quizzes

Five online quizzes will be provided during the semester. Quizzes must be completed during the allotted time period and dates. Quizzes will become active online one week prior to the due date and students will have one hour to complete each quiz. Once completed, quizzes can be printed and used as study guides for exams.

Course Add/Drop Statement

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. You, the student,*** are responsible for understanding the policies and procedures about add/drops, academic renewal, withdrawal, etc. found at: http://sa.sjsu.edu/student_conduct

Academic Integrity Statement

Academic integrity is essential to the mission of San José State University. As such, students are expected to perform their own work (except when collaboration is expressly permitted by the course instructor) without the use of any outside resources. Students are not permitted to use old tests, quizzes when preparing for exams, nor may they consult with students who have already taken the exam. When practiced, academic integrity ensures that all students are fairly graded. Violations to the Academic Integrity Policy undermine the educational process and will not be tolerated. It also demonstrates a lack of respect for oneself, fellow students and the course instructor and can ruin the university's reputation and the value of the degrees it offers. We all share the obligation to maintain an environment which practices academic integrity. Violators of the Academic Integrity Policy will be subject to failing this course and being reported to the Office of Student Conduct & Ethical Development for disciplinary action which could result in suspension or expulsion from San José State University. The policy on academic integrity can be found at: http://sa.sjsu.edu/student_conduct

To better understand plagiarism and to aid you in making sure that you are not plagiarizing, please see me and/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.

JS 10 Fall 2006 **Class Schedule**

Read the chapters listed and be prepared to discuss in class on the dates indicated. Please note: Every attempt will be made to adhere to the below listed schedule although it is subject to change with fair notice.

[Introduction](#)

From January 24, 2007 **To** January 24, 2007

[Foundation of Crime and Justice - Part One](#)

From January 29, 2007 **To** February 21, 2007

[Chapter 1](#)

From January 29, 2007 **To** January 29, 2007

[Chapter 2](#)

From January 31, 2007 **To** February 05, 2007

[Introduction Paper Due](#)

From February 05, 2007 **To** February 05, 2007

[Chapter 3](#)

From February 07, 2007 **To** February 07, 2007

[Chapter 4](#)

From February 12, 2007 **To** February 12, 2007

[Chapter 5](#)

From February 14, 2007 **To** February 14, 2007

[Open](#)

From February 19, 2007 **To** February 19, 2007

[**Part 1 Exam - The Justice System**](#)

From February 21, 2007 **To** February 21, 2007

[The Police - Part 2](#)

From February 26, 2007 **To** March 14, 2007

[Chapter 6](#)

From February 26, 2007 **To** February 26, 2006

[Chapter 7](#)

From February 28, 2007 **To** March 05, 2007

[Open](#)

From March 07, 2007 **To** March 07, 2007

[Chapter 8](#)

From March 12, 2007 **To** March 14, 2007

[**Part 2 Exam - The Police**](#)

From March 19, 2007 **To** March 19, 2007

[The Courts - Part 3](#)

From March 21, 2007 **To** April 18, 2007

[Chapter 10](#)

From March 21, 2007 **To** March 21, 2007

[**Spring Break NO CLASS**](#)

From March 26, 2007 **To** March 30, 2007

[Chapter 11](#)

From April 02, 2007 **To** April 04, 2007

[Chapter 12 - page 368-386 only](#)

From April 09, 2007 **To** April 09, 2007

[Chapter 13](#)

From April 16, 2007 **To** April 16, 2007

[Open](#)

From April 18, 2007 **To** April 18, 2007

[**Part 3 Exam - The Courts**](#)

From April 23, 2007 **To** April 23, 2007

[Corrections Part Four](#)

From April 25, 2007 **To** May 14, 2007

[Chapter 14](#)

From April 25, 2007 **To** April 25, 2007

[Chapter 15](#)

From April 30, 2007 **To** May 02, 2007

[Ride along and Court observation papers DUE](#)

From April 30, 2007 **To** April 30, 2007

[OPEN](#)

From May 07, 2007 **To** May 07, 2007

[Chapter 17](#)

From May 09, 2007 **To** May 09, 2007

[Final Exam Review](#)

From May 14, 2007 **To** May 14, 2007

[Final Exam](#)

From May 21, 2007 **To** May 21, 2007

<u>Dates to remember:</u>	Introduction Paper Due	Monday,	February 5th
	Exam I (The Justice System)	Wednesday,	February 21st
	Exam II (The Police)	Monday	March 19th
	Exam III (The Court System)	Wednesday	April 23rd
	Exam IV (The Correctional System)	Monday,	May 21st 7:15 - 9:30
	Field Observation Writes Ups Due	Monday	April 30th