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SURVEY OF FORENSIC SCIENCE CJUS 125N

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Required Text: A Survey of the Forensic Sciences by Randall Skelton

COURSE OUTLINE AND READING ASSIGNMENTS (Readings may be covered on exams even if not discussed in class)

- Aug. 26 Introduction**
28 Creatures of Crime Video
30 About Forensic Science
Read: Ch. 1
- Sept. 2 NO CLASS HOLIDAY**
4 About Forensic Science
6 The New Detectives Video
9 Crime Scene Investigation
Read: Ch. 2, & Ch. 3
11 Crime Scene Investigation
Read: Ch. 4, & Ch. 6
13 Arson Video
16 Arson Investigation
Read: Ch. 11, & Ch. 30,
18 Arson
Read Ch. 31
20 Trace and Transfer Evidence
Read: Ch. 9, & Ch. 10
23 Fingerprints
Read: Ch. 15
25 Fingerprints & Review
Read Ch. 16
27 1st MIDTERM
30 Forensic Anthropology
Read: Ch. 27
- Oct. 2 Methods and Techniques**
Read: Ch. 18
4 Methods and Techniques
7 Evidence
Read Ch. 19
9 Blood
Read: Ch. 20
11 Body Fluids
14 Body Fluids
16 Forensic Toxicology
Read: Ch. 22
18 Forensic Toxicology
Read: Ch. 23

	21	Forensic Toxicology	
	23	Video	
	25	Fibers and Hair	
	28	Fibers and Hair	
	30	Fibers and Hair	
Nov.	1	Human Rights Violations & Excavations Video & Review	
	4	2nd MIDTERM	
	6	Glass and Soil	
		Read: Ch. 29	
	8	Glass and Soil	
	11	NO CLASS HOLIDAY	
	13	Glass and Soil	
	15	Video	
	18	DNA	
		Read: Ch. 21	
	20	DNA	
	22	DNA	
	25	Firearms	
	27	NO CLASS THANKSGIVING	
	29	NO CLASS THANKSGIVING	
Dec.	2	Missing Cowboy Video	
		Read: Ch. 12, & Ch. 13	
	4	Physical Patterns	
		Read: Ch. 14	BONUS PAPERS DUE
	6	Physical Patterns & Review	
Wed.	11	FINAL EXAM	1:10 - 3:10

Your grade is based on the following:

1st Midterm	100 points
2nd Midterm	100 points
Bonus Paper	20 points
Final exam	200 points
Total Possible points	420

A	360 points and above
B	320 - 359
C	280-319
D	240-279
F	Below 239 points
Cr/No Cr	cutoff 260 points

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