READING LIST (SPRING 2012)
PRO SEMINAR APPLYING PSYCHOLOGY TO THE LEGAL SYSTEM (PSY 4938)
REQUIRED READINGS ONLY

All students are responsible for the weekly “Required Readings.” The student who is assigned to lead a particular article’s discussion will need to come to class ready to lead the discussion on the required article and will provide Dr. Ruva and his/her fellow students with a 1 or 2-page outline of this article. The “Additional Readings” are not assigned, they are provided as a resource for students who want to learn more about a topic or include the readings in their papers. These Additional Readings can be found on the reading list that has both required and additional readings.

ETHICS & RESEARCH METHODS

Required Readings:


INTEGRATING PERSPECTIVES & DIVERSITY:

Required Readings:


DEVELOPMENTAL PSYCHOLOGY

I. Children as Eyewitnesses

Required Readings:


II. Bullying: (No Required Readings: See Additional Readings)
III. Adolescent Offenders and Brain Development

Required Readings: (Student Presenter will choose one of the articles below)


IV. Juveniles Competency to Stand Trial

Required Readings:


V. Older Eyewitness

Required Readings:


VI. Juror Age

No Required Readings: (see additional readings)

VII. Age and Perception of Police

No Required Readings: (see additional readings)

PHYSIOLOGICAL PSYCHOLOGY

I. Deception Detection

Required Readings:

II. **Physiological Correlates of Criminal Behavior**

**Required Readings:** *(the same student will present both articles)*


III. **Adolescent Offenders and Brain Development**

**Required Readings:** *(See Developmental Psychology for Required Readings)*

**COGNITIVE PSYCHOLOGY**

I. **Jury Decision Making**

**Required Readings:** *(Aliyah will present both articles)*


II. **Comprehension of Judicial Instructions**

**Required Readings:**


III. **Eyewitness Memory**

**Required Readings:**


IV. **False Confessions**

**Required Readings:**

V. **False Memory, Repressed Memories, & Recovered Memories**

**Required Readings:**


**SOCIAL PSYCHOLOGY**

I. **Racial Bias**

**Required Readings:**


II. **Jury Decision Making**

**Required Readings:**


III. **Death Penalty**

**Required Readings:**


**AFFECTIVE (EMOTION & MOTIVATION)**

I. **Emotion and Decision Making**

**Required Readings:**

II. Emotion and Memory: Eyewitness & False Memories

Required Readings:


CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGY (FORENSIC PSYCHOLOGY)

Required Readings


• *Everyone will read – no student presenter for this one.*

I. Competency To Stand Trial

Required Readings


II. Psychopathy

Required Readings: Same student will present both articles


III. Other Forensic Evaluations

See Additional Readings – No Required Readings for this Topic

IV. Insanity Defense

Required Readings

V. **Criminal Profiling**

**Required Readings:**

*The articles below present an argument between psychologists as to whether criminal profiling works. Snook did a Meta Analysis (2007) showing that is does not. Kocsis (not a researcher – private forensic practice) takes issue with Snook’s meta-analysis and states that profiling works and EVERYONE knows it. Students presenting these articles are expected to engage this debate.*


VI. **Police Psychology**

**Required Readings**: Same student will present both articles
