

TECH 250: Impact of Technology on the Individual and Society

Tentative Class Schedule – Fall Quarter 2009

Please note that the readings listed below will be discussed in class on the days when they are listed. Assignments are due on the days that they are listed. Readings must be completed prior to the class period.

Session 1: Monday, September 28, 2009

No class meeting; *furlough day; not on campus**

Session 2: Wednesday, September 30, 2009

No class meeting; *faculty attending professional meeting; not on campus**

Session 3: Monday, October 5, 2009

Course introduction

Student and instructor introductions

Learning and temperament self-assessments

Session 4: Wednesday, October 7, 2009

Learning style and temperament discussion

Discussion of project ideas

Session 5: Monday, October 12, 2009

Read and discuss Gates and Kozol on technology and education

Technology acquisition proposal due in draft form

Session 6: Wednesday, October 14, 2009

Quiz 1: Kozol and Gates

Discussion: Keeping a Journal

Session 7: Monday, October 19, 2009

Read “Immortal Waste” handout

Group “keep-out sign” exercise

Session 8: Wednesday, October 21, 2009

Group “keep-out sign” exercise

Group Presentations, Critique and Discussion

Session 9: Monday, October 26, 2009

Read and discuss Ong Article

Session 10: Wednesday, October 28, 2009

Read and discuss Stacey Article

Introduce/Assign Group Research & Report: Alternative & Renewable Energy Technologies

Session 11: Monday, November 2, 2009

Quiz 2: Stacey and Ong

Global Warming

- Read Sagan, et al.
- "An Inconvenient Truth" -- Part 1

Session 12: Wednesday, November 4, 2009

Global Warming

- "An Inconvenient Truth" -- Part 2
- Discussion

Session 13: Monday, November 9, 2009

Quiz 3: Global Warming

Alternative & Renewable Energy Technologies Presentations

Session 14: Wednesday, November 11, 2009

Veterans' Day; *campus closed*

Session 15: Monday, November 16, 2009

Quiz 4: Alternative & Renewable Energy Technologies

Fear and Resistance to Technology

- Reading Assignment to be determined
- Discussion

Informal project progress report

Session 16: Wednesday, November 18, 2009

Role of the Public in Decision-making about Technology

- Reading Assignment to be determined
- Discussion

Session 17: Monday, November 23, 2009

Final Project Reports

Session 18: Wednesday, November 25, 2009

No class meeting; *furlough day; not on campus**

Library replacement session

Session 19: Monday, November 30, 2009

Final Project Reports

Session 20: Wednesday, December 2, 2009

Final Project Reports

Final Exam: Monday, December 7, 2009

Final Project Reports at regularly scheduled final time