

SOC/SWK 375-R8 SOCIAL RESEARCH I

Pre-assignment

Fall 2019 (S120)

For your pre-assignment, read Chapters 1 and 2 in Adler and Clark, and respond to the following prompts/questions:

1. Define scientific knowledge
 - a. What are the defining characteristics of science as a way of knowing the world?
2. How is scientific knowledge different than knowledge from other sources, such as from authority, or experiential knowledge?
 - a. What distinguishes science as a means of knowing the world?
3. What are the advantages and disadvantages of the scientific method, compared to other ways of knowing the world?