TED is a nonprofit institution devoted to Ideas Worth Spreading. It started out in 1984 as a conference bringing together people from three worlds: Technology, Entertainment, Design. Since then its scope has become ever broader.

The goal of TED is to foster the spread of great ideas. It aims to provide a platform for the world's smartest thinkers, greatest visionaries and most-inspiring teachers, so that millions of people can gain a better understanding and a desire to help create a better future.

The class will have weekly themes for the eight weeks. We will view two to four TED talks from the list for the day, followed by class discussion.

We are open to your suggestions for TED TALKS you’d like us to show during class. The link for TED Talks is http://www.ted.com/talks if you want to watch before each class. We will watch them in full during the class sessions.

**Session 1: January 16**  Theme: We the Future

**Session 2: January 23**  Theme: Crime

**Session 3: January 30**  Theme: Adventure

**Session 4: February 6**  Theme: Curiosity

**Session 5: February 13**  Theme: Entertainment

**Session 6: February 20**  Theme: Education

**Session 7: February 27**  Theme: Community

**Session 8: March 6**  Theme: Sports