**PRE-CRIME**

**Documentary on Predictive Policing Technology**

**Viewing Guide for Note-Taking**

*[0:3:45 – 0:40:00, 0:50:00-0:55:00. 1:10:00-1:14:00, 1:20:00 – 1:24:00]*

Jot down notes as you watch the documentary “PRE-CRIME.” Don’t worry about full sentences at this stage – just get down the main points for each section. The prompts are there to draw your attention to what is important. After class, please go to Blackboard to find prompts for your reflection writing assignment.

1. Notes on the “heat list” in Chicago – e.g. where it came from, what data it uses, who ends up on it, what the police do with it [~4:00]:

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1. “If I were making a film about predictive policing, I would ask….” – what does French sociologist Dr. Bilel Benbouzid say about proactive policing and technology? What questions does he ask?

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1. “Predpol” is short for **Pred**ictive **Pol**icing. The French sociologist Dr. Bilel Benbouzid explains how PredPol works – what does he say? What is the problem with analyzing crime **mathematically** but not **sociologically**? [~18:30]

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1. What does Routine Activity Theory have to do with predictive policing (predpol)? [~20:00]

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1. Dr. Bilel Benbouzid talks about the data behind predpol. Where do the data come from? Who gets “security”? How does this relate to our course idea of “garbage in, garbage out”? (Think sociologically!) [~22:00]

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1. Dr. Andrew Ferguson is an expert on “big data policing.” What sort of information does he say that police are purchasing from “data brokers”? How is private data (e.g. social media companies) getting connected to public data (e.g. law enforcement)?

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1. The traffic stop at the subway station in Germany – what happened? What did the police do? How did they make the decision to stop? Did they find anything? How did it make you feel? (Think sociologically!) [~30:00]

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1. Police Chief Jerry Dyer explains the “Beware” software. What sort of data does Beware provide to law enforcement? What are the issues with these data, as pointed out by Dr. Andrew Ferguson and lawyer Mark King?

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1. Dr. Benbouzid travels to Philadelphia to visit HunchLab, the company developing predictive software for law enforcement. What does the software do? How is it different from PredPol software? What are the data/privacy concerns? [~50:00 – 55:00]

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1. Dr. Ross McNutt, CEO of Persistent Surveillance Systems, describes how his company creates aerial images of cities to assist law enforcement. What do they do? How much information can he get from this process? [~1:10:00 – 1:14:00]

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1. What are some of the sources of data Dr. Andrew Ferguson mentions that we are already “giving away for free” through all of our internet-connected devices? [~1:20:00]

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