

GE80C: Aging and Social Justice

Issue Brief Assignment

2 pages- single spaced

Select one topic and develop a handout to explain your topic and why these topics are important for the larger aging cluster. This is being written for someone for who is unfamiliar to these topics (such as a student in a different spring seminar). I have listed potential topics below but you can choose a different topic with approval. You can pick a topic related to your community-based research or another topic that you are interested in.

For this handout, you should explain your topic, key research and information, and why this is important to consider when we are studying aging. You can add information that you think is important, such as key statistics or a short description of an organization working on this issue. Feel free to use bullet-points or text boxes to make this more engaging but I would also be careful of over-using bullet points. This does not have to be geared towards Los Angeles, but you could include a section related to Los Angeles.

Paper and references should be in APA format.

Different parts of the assignment are in stages.

Week 5: Bring 2 sources that you will be using to class **on May 1** and be prepared to talk about these sources. This will be part of your participation points for that week.

Week 6: Bring 2 copies of your draft issue brief to class **on May 8**. You will not be graded on the content of your draft, but you will be graded on effort and completeness. (i.e. do you have enough content for a peer review session)

Week 8: Submit final draft **on Friday, May 25** via Turnitin

Potential Topics for Issue Brief

Veteran homelessness; Women older adults and homelessness; Policies and programs for LGBT older adults; Gentrification; Aging in place; Universal design; Aging-friendly neighborhoods; Offender re-entry; Aging in prison; Services for immigrant elders; Hunger and food insecurity; Workplace issues for caring for older adults; Access to social services; Grandparents raising grandchildren; Caregiver supports for low-income elders; Nursing homes for low-income elders

Or feel free to think of a different topic as long as you email me for approval.