

WRIT 303
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Paper 1: Guidelines

This 800-word paper asks you to close read and analyze at least one of the assigned texts we've examined so far. Choose **ONE** essay question and follow the instructions below.

Essay Questions:

Option One: How does disability justice affect the medical profession? Analyze and use "America Needs More Doctors With Disabilities" by Ace Ratchiff and/or "Are You My Doctor" by Cheri Blauwet to support your argument and ideas.

Option Two: How does racism based in US history affect socioeconomic injustice in our present-day context? Analyze and use "What Is Owed" by Nikole Hannah-Jones to support your argument and ideas. You can also include points from the "Justice in America" podcast episode.

***Do not rewrite the question at the top of your paper. You must choose a question and create a strong, critical argument of your own.**

Detailed Instructions:

1) In the opening paragraph, this paper should have a **strong, critical argument** that goes beyond surface observations. Introduce the text the paper will analyze.

*Tip 1: Identify the text you are analyzing and explain the impact or consequences your argument will have for your readers. Be careful to avoid generalizations and stereotypes!

2) The subsequent (body) paragraphs should **analyze specific passages** from your chosen text to demonstrate how you've arrived at your argument and interpretations.

*Tip 2: Analyze don't summarize! This is *not* a book report. Make points throughout the paper that relate to your argument using keywords from your opening paragraph.

3) You will need to **incorporate direct quotations** from the text you analyze. These quotes **MUST follow MLA or APA citation style**. For information on citations, please visit the Purdue OWL (<http://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/>).

*Tip 3: Do not allow quotations to overwhelm your paper! For any direct quotation you include, make sure to write an **ANALYSIS** of the passage that is *roughly double* the length of the quotation itself.

4) A **Works Cited or References page** is required. Please consult the Purdue OWL for instructions on formatting. *The citations page is NOT included in your word minimum.

5) Your paper should be **no less than 800 words** in length. Use 12 point Times New Roman font and one-inch margins all around. Be sure to **include a title and page numbers**. Proofread your paper paying attention to sentence mechanics, consistent syntax, style, and grammar.

Deadline and Submission:

DRAFT 1 of this paper is due on Tuesday, September 22nd BEFORE 5:00 PM.

*Post your draft in TWO places:

1) Post your draft as an MS Word attachment in Assignments:

- Go to “Assignments”; Click on Paper #1 DRAFT
- Click “Browse My Computer” and choose your file (DO NOT click “Write Submission”)
- “Submit”

2) Post your draft as an attachment IN YOUR GROUP:

- Go to “Groups”
- Paper #1: Peer Review
- “Group Discussion Board”
- “Paper #1: Peer Review”
- Create Thread
- Copy and paste your essay in “Message”
- “Submit”

**This draft will be reviewed by peers within your group. After you receive comments from your peers, you will have time to revise and polish your essay. LATE DRAFTS DON'T RECEIVE COMMENTS.*

PEER REVIEW is due Friday, September 25th BEFORE 5:00 PM. This Peer Review is worth 1% of your final grade.

You are required to offer constructive feedback for ALL members of your peer review group.

- Go to “Groups,” “Paper #1: Peer Review,” “Group Discussion Board”
- Read the papers posted by ALL members in your group
- Post your comments by replying to your classmates’ thread

To earn credit, your comments **MUST** answer the following questions for each paper you read:

- 1) As a reader, what do you see as the argument and keywords of this paper?
- 2) How can the argument be strengthened?
- 3) Is the argument strong, original, and critical, and does it appear in the opening paragraph?
- 4) How is the argument continued or sustained throughout the paragraphs that follow and where does the paper need to be more focused?
- 5) Does this paper use keywords to help transition between paragraphs?
- 6) Where does the paper explain the keywords that are introduced in the opening paragraph and where do you suggest the author include more explanation?
- 7) Where does this paper incorporate analyses of direct quotations using MLA/APA style?
- 8) Where does this paper need more attention on mechanics, proofreading, consistent syntax, and grammar?
- 9) Does this paper follow the style requirements and include a correct Works Cited/References page?

PAPER #1 (revised and polished) is due on Friday, October 2nd BEFORE 5:00 PM. Papers submitted late do not earn full credit unless you have an emergency situation (please contact me if you do!). Paper 1 is worth **10%** of your final grade.

Post your revised paper AS AN ATTACHMENT in Assignments. (No posting in DB this time).

- Click on Paper #1 REVISION
- Click “Browse My Computer” and choose your file (do NOT click “write submission”)
- “Submit”