

The Essay/Research Paper

The essay portion of this assignment is to simply take all the information above, and organize it into a MLA formatted, academic essay that has the following characteristics:

1. An introduction with a hook and a thesis statement that introduces and explains the issue, and takes a side on what should be done.
2. Body paragraphs that further define the problem and makes a clear argument about why the issue is a problem to our society.
3. Body paragraphs that address what is being done in regards to this issue already and what needs to be done to further address or possibly solve this problem.
4. Quotes and paraphrases, and a proper Works Cited page, from at least FOUR different sources.

The essay is due on ^{12th}10/5 (last day of regular class) at your class start time. There is no late submission on this essay. It is worth 100 points.

Topic choices: (These are first come, first served) Some of these choices will require you to *take a side*. For example, if you choose "sanctuary cities", you will need to define this as a good thing or bad thing, based upon your own opinion on the issue. Other choices, like, "domestic violence" don't require you to take a side on the issue, but will require you to take a side on the current *handling* of the issue in society.

- ~~Mass Incarceration~~ →
- Domestic Violence ✓
- Healthcare access for all
- Gender wage gap
- Climate change ✓
- Voter's rights
- Gun control OR gun rights
- Affordable Housing Crisis
- The "Dream" Act/DACA
- Immigrant Border Crisis
- Overcrowded classrooms ✓
- Student loan debt
- Trans rights
- Religious Freedom Act
- Sanctuary Cities
- Armed Teachers ✓
- Affirmative Action
- Minimum wage reform
- [Welfare restrictions]
- Electoral college reform
- Mandatory Vaccinations
- Prison Overcrowding

What is opposite argument?