

SY406 Writing Assignment

Due 30 April 2021 by Start of Class.

In more than 1500, but less than 2000 words (3-5 pages, depending on formatting), I need to you use at least two different theoretical approaches/tools/mechanisms that we've talked about this semester to help us understand and explain some aspect(s) of any ONE of these current events:

1. The Black Lives Matter movement.
2. The Jan 6 assault on the Capitol.
3. The debate over increasing the minimum wage.

Whichever one you choose to analyze, your paper should, somewhere in the first paragraph, contain a **boldface** thesis statement that clearly explains just what it is you're going to try to argue. If you keep that thesis firmly in mind while you write the paper, I guarantee you, it will be a better paper, AND easier to write. Better yet, if you outline your argument before you start writing, I can again guarantee you that it will be easier and better than it would otherwise be – so why not try it?

To give you a better idea of what I mean by thesis, here are some random (really, these are bogus) stems of what a good thesis for this paper might sound like:

“Durkheim and Marx each help us understand different aspects of the BLM movement: Durkheim