Humanities 3  
Henderson—Fall 2018

Paper 1

Essays are due at the beginning of lecture on Thursday, October 25th. The essay should be a minimum of 5 full pages in length (no more than 7) in the Humanities format. A counterargument is required.

Respond to one of the following prompts with a thesis-based essay:

1. To what extent do Machiavelli, Luther and Montaigne have similar ideas about the importance of following traditional customs or laws? Pick two of the authors.

2. Can self-interest serve as the basis for fulfilling obligations to others? Answer the question by comparing two of Machiavelli, Luther or Montaigne.

3. Machiavelli, Montaigne and Luther all build their principal claims by presenting, and then resolving, apparent contradictions. Pick two of these authors and make an argument about who does a worse job of resolving these contradictions.

Submit a paper copy of your essay to your TA in a plain manila folder with your name on it. Include all your previous Humanities papers in the folder. Before submitting a paper copy in lecture, you must submit an electronic copy to www.turnitin.com for text-similarity review.

Late papers will be penalized 1/3 of a letter grade per day late. If turning in a late paper, please make arrangements directly with your TA.