

Humanities 5
Lyon—Spring 2017

Paper 1

Essays are due at the beginning of lecture on **Wednesday, May 3rd**. The essay should be a minimum of 5 full pages in length (no more than 7) in the Humanities format* and a counterargument is required.

Respond to one of the following prompts:

1. What are the causes and symptoms of excess in modern society? Is there a cure? Make your argument using two of the following—Marx, Nietzsche, and Eliot.
2. The critiques of Marx, Nietzsche, and Eliot suggest the need for people to change in order to navigate modernity. What makes this new person consistent across these texts? Make your argument using two of the authors.
3. Nietzsche writes, “God is dead and we have killed him.” Does Eliot’s “The Waste Land” affirm or reject Nietzsche’s claim?

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. Information about that will be distributed and discussed in section by your TA.

Late essays. One day late is -10% (one letter grade). Two days late, -20% (two letter grades). Papers will not be accepted after two days.

*All handouts are available online (<http://revelle.ucsd.edu/humanities/writing-info/index.html>).