

Humanities 4
Watkins—Winter 2019

Essay #1

Essays are due at the beginning of lecture on **Monday, February 4th**. The essay should be a minimum of 5 full pages in length (no more than 7) in the Humanities format (see Mechanics section in *Humanities Program Writing Handbook*). A *counterargument* is required.

Only cite from the assigned edition of the texts, following the instructions in “Formatting Citations and Quotations” in the *Humanities Program Writing Handbook*.

Respond to one of the following prompts:

1. Write a thesis-based essay in which you agree or disagree with the following claim: "At the end of *Candide*, Candide and his companions have settled into a situation that is equivalent to Locke's state of nature."
2. According to Locke and Voltaire, what effect or effects does property have on a society?
3. What are the limitations of applying Enlightenment principles of scientific reasoning to social problems? Focus your essay on either Locke's view of government or Hume's view of religion.

Submit a paper copy of your essay to your TA in a plain manila folder with your name on the tab. Include all your previous graded Humanities papers in the folder.

Before lecture, you must submit an electronic copy to www.turnitin.com for text-similarity review. Your TA will provide you with turnitin.com information in section. Your essay is not considered turned in until you submit the paper copy to your TA and upload the essay to turnitin.com.

For the **late essay** policy, review your TA's syllabus or course policy.