

SOC 215 Social Issues and Movements Homework Assignments

Treat homework assignments as study guides. Use course material to answer questions. I cannot grade you on your opinions. The more references to course concepts, theories, and readings, the better.

1. Using your textbooks, what factors influence whether people will join a social movement? Consider grievances, individual traits, structural conditions, recruitment techniques, etc.

Guidelines: 1-2 pages

Use: Reader: Chs. 2-9
Change: Chs. 1-7

Due: M 1/29

2. Use examples from your readings to illustrate what motivates people to remain committed to social movements, rather than getting burnt out. What role do values, relationships, and emotions play?

Guidelines: 1-2 pages

Use: Reader: Chs. 10-12
Change: Chs. 1-9

Due: M 2/12

3. Distinguish between reform movements and radical movements. How are different movements organized and how do their strategies differ? Illustrate using examples from Gandhi and his influence on social movements.

Guidelines: 1-2 pages

Use: Reader: Chs. 16-22
Change: Chs. 10-15

Due: M 2/26

4. What roles have different groups played in the anti-globalization movement? What are their concerns? How has this issue brought such divergent groups together? What roles have the state and media played in this conflict?

Guidelines: 1-2 pages

Use: Reader: Chs. 24-30
Globalization book

Due: M 3/12

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