

## Main Writing Assignment #2 Sociology of Gender

**Due:** Friday of Week 7, at 5:00 pm, PST, on Gauchospace

**\*\*\*Please upload into GS as a Word or a PDF document\*\*\***

Choose, and write an essay about, *one* of these articles from the journal “Contexts”:

1. Gender in the One Percent: <https://contexts.org/articles/gender-in-the-one-percent/>
2. Unpacking the Invisible Citizenship Knapsack: <https://contexts.org/blog/unpacking-the-invisible-citizenship-knapsack/>
3. Paid Leave for Precarious Workers during Covid-19 by Catherine Albiston: <https://contexts.org/blog/inequality-during-the-coronavirus-pandemic/#catherine>
4. Race, Gender, and New Essential Workers during Covid-19 by Nicole A. Pangborn and Christopher M. Rea: <https://contexts.org/blog/inequality-during-the-coronavirus-pandemic/#rea>
5. Bodies in Places: Addressing Domestic Violence in a Pandemic” by Marie Laperrière and Kartikeya Bajpai: <https://contexts.org/blog/inequality-during-the-coronavirus-pandemic/#marie>
6. Structural Inequalities and Not Behavior Explain Covid-19 Racial Disparities by Gabriel R. Sanchez, Melanie Sayuri Dominguez, and Edward D. Vargas: <https://contexts.org/blog/inequality-during-the-coronavirus-pandemic/#vargas>
7. Families are not Structurally Prepared for Covid-19 by Amanda m. Gengler: <https://contexts.org/blog/structural-shocks-and-extreme-exposures/#amanda>
8. Sex during Coronavirus by Laura M. Carpenter: <https://contexts.org/blog/structural-shocks-and-extreme-exposures/#laura>

You only need to read the short “Contexts” article. You do **not** need to click on any links in the article and read them too.

Write a reflection paper about one of these “Contexts” articles, drawing on things we have read or talked about in this class. You must draw on class concepts, theories and terms in your paper and cite sources using ASA format.

In your reflection paper address whether, and how well, the author/s used a “gendered” analysis. You may argue that they make an excellent gendered analysis, that they make an adequate gendered analysis, or that they make a poor gendered analysis. You may discuss what some of the strengths of the gendered analysis is, as well as some of the weaknesses of the gendered analysis

When I say “gendered analysis,” I mean writing about gender in the way we have read and talked about gender in this class. Go back to the textbook and my slides and lectures. You could write, for example, about whether and how the authors of the article talk about the “process by which something becomes coded as masculine or feminine” (Wade and Ferree 2018: 30). A gendered analysis may also discuss the way that something reproduces gender inequality or reproduces the gender binary (W1D2S4-7; Wade and Ferree 2018: 11, 21, and 30). So, you might also write about whether and how the authors talk about the way the topic of the article reproduces gender

inequality or reproduces the gender binary. You don't have to do all of these things, these are just examples.

The paper should be one double-spaced page using Times New Roman, font size 12. Create a word document that has your full name, as well as the name of the Contexts article you chose, at the top, a one page essay, and references, in that order. You do not need a title or a title page. The one page essay length does NOT include references. Please upload a word or a PDF document onto GS. Please have the file named like this:  
YourLastName\_YourFirstName\_Assignment2\_SOC155

You can assume your reader has read the Contexts article. You do not need to include an in-depth summary of the Contexts article.

You do not need outside sources for the paper, everything you need to write this paper, you have already learned in class. It is ok if you do have outside sources, you just don't need them.

Please use, define, and cite class terms. For example, you should define the term "gendered" before using it.

All ideas and evidence that are not originally your own (including ideas learned in class and the Contexts articles) should be properly cited using the American Sociological Association citation style. You must use the ASA citation style in the text of your paper as well as in the reference section. You must have a list of references. You do not need any outside references, but you must properly reference class materials and the Contexts articles. See here for a guide to the ASA citation style:

[http://www.asanet.org/sites/default/files/savvy/documents/teaching/pdfs/Quick\\_Tips\\_for\\_ASA\\_Style.pdf](http://www.asanet.org/sites/default/files/savvy/documents/teaching/pdfs/Quick_Tips_for_ASA_Style.pdf). To reference my slides or lectures see the slides in Week4Day1 slides on GS.

Don't forget to look at the grading rubric on Gaucho Space too.