

ZUR436 Culture and Media: Midterm

Four Texts (2 Summaries, 2 Essays)

DUE October 31

Directions:

Do the week 5 readings. Meet as a group (I would suggest you record it)

Discuss:

- the idea of the Public Sphere
- how the idea of the Public Sphere relates to the idea of Journalism
- how both relate to framing concepts of truth
- If/why ideas of truth matter today
- how culture is implicated in this topic
- how the internet and social media might be implicated in this topic

Written Assignments:

- **1) Summary of the discussion (up to 5 pages; be detailed)**
- **2) What is the point of journalism in today's world, what challenges does it face, and what solutions can be offered for it to serve its mission? (up to 5 pages)**

Watch the film *Whiplash*; do the week 6 readings. Meet as a group (I would suggest you record it)

Discuss:

- The film and its meaning(s)
- If the film is culturally specific (why and why not)
- How Foucault's ideas apply to the film
- How these ideas are specifically presented in the film
- What to make of the ending

Written Assignments:

- **1) Summary of the discussion (up to 5 pages)**
- **2) Why does a film like this matter today, what is the point of thinking about film analytically, and how does culture complicate that analysis? (up to 5 pages)**

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- **Deposit as a single Word document to the HW file online; put the names on top of the parts that each person wrote**
 - **Deposit Anonymous Evaluation of Group Participation**
 - **Form Guidelines for Essays:**
 - At least 5 pages (no more than 8)
 - APA Citations needed (cite the readings; the ideas you use from them)
 - No bibliography is necessary
 - Use 12 pt., double-spaced, Times New Roman type with 2.5 cm margins
 - Proof read your work! *More than five typographical errors/major formatting errors and no credit will be given*

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