

Part 3: Essay (35 points)

Your answer should be a unified argument with a strong thesis and specific examples from the relevant texts. Direct citation is not necessary.

Each of the four authors from this course believes that modernity is radically different from the past. How does each diagnose the primary differences between the condition of our present time and that of previous eras? What are the advantages and disadvantages for each author's approach to sociological study today and moving forward? Which approach is the most useful? Which the least? Why?