Revision project (for paper 1 or 2)

Revisions are due Tuesday, Dec. 11

Your revision should include a cover page describing the improvements you attempted to make, the main problem areas you identified, and the steps you took to address them. Limit: 1 double-spaced page.

You should conceive of the revision process as an opportunity to rethink everything about your original essay; do not limit yourself to “fixing” only those things I marked as problematic. You may decide that many things about your original essay are the way you want to keep them, but you should have a justification for that decision, just as you should have one for any changes you make. There is no guarantee that a revised essay will receive a higher grade than the original. The grade on the revision will completely replace that given to the original.

In class on Tuesday, Nov. 27, we will form teams of 3 to work collaboratively on the revision process. It will be your responsibility to read each other’s work and meet to strategize about the revision process.

I will be available, by appointment, to meet with teams during the week of Dec. 3-7; you should have met as a team before coming to see me.

On the final day of class, Tuesday, Dec. 11, each team will make a 10-minute presentation on its revision process. You can elect a team spokesperson or divide the time as you see fit. Remember that you should address your remarks to the rest of the class, not just to me. You should emphasize those aspects of your revision process that might be illuminating for the other students.

Please note: it is imperative that you treat your team members with respect. Everyone can stand to improve, so please make your comments on each other’s work constructive.