

# SLO D3 - Assignment Example

Test 2: Take Home

**DUE: Tuesday October 30 by 9 am**

**Instructions: Failure to follow these instructions will result in lost points to no credit received for your work!**

- Your work must be uploaded to Turnitin via the course Canvas page **NO LATER than 9am** on test day. Late submissions will only be accepted for 24 hours after the original deadline and will be subject to a 10% reduction in grade.
- Turnitin is an originality checker, so do your own work and use your own words! No plagiarism or cheating will be tolerated.
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- Your answer needs to be written in the form of a short essay (approximately 400 to 1000 words) typed and single-spaced.
- Be sure to completely answer the questions/address the prompt, but be clear and concise.
- Do not presume I will know what you are talking and leave things for me to fill in the blanks. I am not a mind reader and this is you showing me what you know and understand. Don't be vague; I will interpret this as you not knowing the material.
- If you use a quote, be sure to give credit to the author. Word of caution on quotes: you should be able to show me you understand the information by explaining it in your own words. You should only use a quote if you are intending to directly respond to that quote and/or expand upon/explain it.
- For this essay, you need to cite your sources, but may use any style you are comfortable with.

**Write an essay addressing the prompt below (10 points out of ~45 total test points):**

Anthropological research has revealed that “race” or racial categories are purely cultural constructs. Explain what this means including evidence and analysis based on both the scientific (e.g. biological) and social research. In other words, address the question “Is race real?” from both a biological and cultural perspective. While you may include personal experiences and perspectives in your essay, you must support your argument with fact-based evidence.

In addition to the lecture material and class discussion on this topic, there is page on Canvas (in the weekly module on “Social Stratification”) called “More Information on “Race”. Here I have placed useful information for you in addressing this prompt. I highly recommend you make use of this material in preparing this essay. Parts 1 and 3 of the documentary, “Race: the power of illusion” are particularly useful. Part 1 addresses the scientific perspective whereas Part 3 addresses social/cultural. You are also welcome to use additional valid resources in preparing your essay, just be sure to cite your sources. You can use whichever citation style you are comfortable with.