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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