

Spring 2014
AFN 152, Section 001
Second Paper Assignment
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Write a paper, six-to-eight pages in length, on one of the following topics. Revise your work carefully, and remember to cite your sources appropriately using MLA. Your typed and stapled essay is due at the beginning of class on May 14th.

1. Neither Edward W. Blyden nor Marcus Garvey is optimistic about the prospect of multiracial democracy in the Americas. What specifically do they argue, and how would they view black politics today?
2. Write an essay in which you compare and contrast Amié Césaire, Frantz Fanon, and Walter Rodney in terms of their critical analyses of colonialism. What are their arguments, and what do you make of them?
3. Write an essay about the historical disagreement between Booker T. Washington and W.E.B. Du Bois. What is this disagreement, and how is it relevant to black politics today?
4. Write an essay in which you compare and contrast Frantz Fanon, Malcolm X, and Martin Luther King, Jr. in terms of the question of political violence. What are their arguments, and what do you make of them?
5. What exactly does Angela Y. Davis argue in “Democracy, Social Change, and Civil Engagement,” and what do you make of her argument? Relate her points to at least three other course readings.