

WRT 205

Developing a focused explainer topic

As I've been reading through others' suggested additions to our canon, here are some issues that especially interest me:

- Diversity inclusion in education (race)
- Diversity inclusion regarding ability and disability in the workplace
- Diversity inclusion regarding ability and disability in education

Here are some ways in which these issues connect to other things we've read and/or to prior interests I have:

For diversity inclusion for ability and disability, we have already touched upon disability in the workplace in a few articles we have read, however I think an interesting point and something to focus on would be the inclusion of those with disabilities in the education system or healthcare. I went on a mission trip to Jamaica for two years in a row, as my mom was running it for 12 years, and we worked with children who had disabilities and had been abandoned by their families. I think an interesting point to be made would be the treatment of children or adults with disabilities in the healthcare or education system, and dive further into the topic by focusing on racial identities and the treatment amongst them.

Looking at this list of connections, highlight key foundational concepts/ideas/terminology—list those here.

- healthcare system
- Foster care
- Disability services
- Education system
- Racial bias
- Foreign policy vs local policy

Review your list to the left—which of these issues do you think a person would need to understand in order to understand why this broader topic interests you? Circle them and prioritize—what's really important? What really intrigues you? Why?

I think the issues a person would need to understand in order to understand why this broader topic interests me would be disability services, racial bias, and the healthcare/foster care system. I believe these are most important as having the money and opportunity to support a child with a special need is very difficult, and can change according to socioeconomic status. As we have already been tying race to socioeconomic opportunity, I think a way to dive further into the topic would be to focus on how children with disabilities are being treated, and how they are getting their treatment. This intrigues me because I want to go into the field of human family science, and I believe that getting services for a child or adult with a special need should be more affordable and easier to access. For me, I have seen children with virtually nothing be the happiest children and adults I have ever seen. However, I think for the families there is an awareness of the difficulty and strain to get the appropriate care.

Frame your project statement here: I think [X] is a really important topic in organizational culture, so I'm going to explain this foundational idea [Y] to you all. *[In other words, you're going to focus on some very specific component that is essential to our understanding of the larger whole; you're going to articulate both the small bit and the Big Picture here.]*

I think access to disability services in childhood and adolescents is a really important topic in organizational culture, so I'm going to explain this foundational idea of healthcare for those with disabilities.

