

Queering Theory

1. Here's some information about the **Remix/Redux/Revisit** blog entry: The purpose of this entry is to revisit an entry, reading, or topic from early in the semester and to critically reflect on how your perspective has shifted (or been reinforced) during the course of the semester. This assignment should be posted by dec 7.

Here's how:

- Pick a reading, one of your past entries or a one of my class summaries from the first half of the semester (up until 10/25).
- Write up a 1-2 sentence summary of your thoughts from that time. Then, critically reflect on how your thinking about the reading, the topic of your entry, or the topic of that class discussion has shifted (or how it has stayed the same--or been reinforced).
- As part of this critical reflection, make sure to offer up some of your thoughts on whether or not it is helpful to revisit past entries--is this a benefit of blogging? Is it helpful/not helpful to have access to all your/our past ideas? Are my class summaries helpful in clarifying the concepts (or complicating them in productive ways)?

2. And here's some information about the **Final Wrap-Up**:

BLOG ESSAY ENTRY REQUIRED ELEMENTS

1. A (roughly) 250-300 word description/discussion of your chosen term. In this discussion, you should provide your own understanding of the term and why it is important for queering theory. This part of your reflection essay/entry should draw upon at least 3 sources (from our readings/your first presentation/annotated bibliographies). I would encourage you to draw upon your own previous entries and link to them.

2. A (roughly) 250-300 word reflection on the question: What is queering? In answering this question you are not required to provide THE definition of queering (which is not possible), but to reflect on what you think queering is. You should draw upon the readings, our discussions, our blog, outside sources, and your own ideas. I would especially encourage you to reference other students' posts (by discussing and linking to them).

3. A (roughly) 350-400 word reflection on the process of tracking your term. This reflection should occur in two ways: 1. A reflection on the process of tracking your term and 2. A reflection on the process of using/participating in the blog and on twitter. In composing your response, answer the following questions:

- What did you learn about queering theory and your term through this process?
- How was the process of writing on the blog and using twitter helpful (or not helpful)?
- What would you like to tell future students about the blog/twitter experience (advice, etc)?

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- What connections can you draw between queering theory and blogging/tweeting? How did (or didn't) our blog/twitter feed allow for a queer space or enable us to engage in practices of queering?

This essay-entry is due day of your presentation, dec 8 or dec 13. Sign-up for your day, by commenting on this blog post. We can have up to 5 people on either day.

PRESENTATION: You will sign up to do a 12-15 presentation on your blog post. You should highlight some key features of your post. Make sure to keep your comments brief; 12-15 minutes isn't that long!