

Instructions: Please answer the prompt question(s) in essay form. Your essay must contain clear and concise analysis, be printed, at least three pages in length (no more than five), double-spaced, with one-inch margins and twelve-point font. Each response essay is worth 100 points. The essay must be turned in via the link on D2L by the day it is due. Students who do not turn in their essays on time will be immediately docked a letter grade, with an additional letter grade docked for each day the essay is turned in past the due date. If you are ill and provide valid documentation for your absence, you will be able to turn in the essay without a grade penalty.

Prompt Question (due Thursday, November 15, 2018):

In advocating for herself to work on the *Mercury* capsule launch, Katherine Johnson said to her bosses, "Tell me where you want the man to land, and I'll tell you where to send him up." How were the women in *Hidden Figures* able to express confidence in their work and abilities? In what ways was that confidence validated by their coworkers? Why is studying these stories so important to better understanding the history of the fight for civil rights during the Cold War era?