

Possible topics for final essay:

1. Discuss the relationship between slavery and gender oppression in ancient Greece and/or Rome. What similarities and differences were there between these two forms of domination?
2. Compare (and contrast) the concepts of freedom in any two of: Plato, Aristotle, Locke, Hegel, Marx, Fanon.
3. The relationship between capitalism and slavery continues to be a matter of debate. Explore this relationship in relation to our course readings and recommended sources, especially in relation to Britain and the Caribbean and/or the US.
4. Discuss the tensions between Slavery and Freedom in Western Liberalism.
5. Analyze the Haitian Revolution as a milestone in the story of human freedom. What does this historical event contribute to this story that the American and French revolutions do not?
6. W.E. B. Dubois argued that a key to the US Civil War was the “general strike of the slaves.” Analyze this claim and its significance to how we understand freedom struggles.
7. Write a review of David Roediger’s book, *Seizing Freedom*, focussing on the relations among Abolitionism, Feminism and Socialism after the US Civil War.
8. Analyze Karl Marx’s writings on Slavery and the American Civil War.
9. Critically discuss the theory of racism and Colonialism in Fanon’s *The Wretched of the Earth*
10. Discuss Fanon as a Philosopher of Freedom.