

SOC 204 Week 7: Discussion Prompt Assignment - (Choice 3) Functionalism

Pick a theory of deviant behavior. Now look closely through its description in Chapter 7 (Figure 7.6 can be particularly helpful).

Pick a theoretical perspective in sociology that is NOT associated with your choice of deviant behavior theory (for instance, if you picked Durkheim's theory you may not pick structural functionalism).

Now try to convince the author(s) of the theory choice to either adopt one more theoretical perspective (the one you chose) in addition to their own or take on an altogether different perspective. You need to convince them that they can do it while still maintaining the basic concept of their theory but that the additional/replaced perspective will improve their theory.

How could the perspective of your choice add to their account on deviant behavior?

What are they missing?

How can they be informed by the perspective you've picked?

Title example: "Symbolic Interactionists ask William Julius Wilson to consider adopting their perspective."

Submit your answer here for me to grade your work. Post the same answer in the Week 7 Discussion Thread for reviewing and commenting by your peers.

Assignment Information

Points: 20

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Allowed Attempts: 2

Assignment Rubric

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