

PAPER #2

Choose *one* of the following two passages and write an essay of 4 to 5 pages (typed and double-spaced) either supporting *or* opposing the position advanced in the passage chosen:

1) Antigone and Socrates disagree in their views about whether we are obligated to obey authority, but Antigone's views are more defensible.

2) If Aristophanes' portrait of Socrates in the *Clouds* were accurate, the Athenians would have been justified in convicting Socrates of the formal charges in the *Apology* and banishing him from Athens.

In grading your essays I will be looking for:

- thorough familiarity with the readings and lectures relevant to the topic
- evidence for your views in the form of quotations from the works discussed
- a thoughtfully constructed essay that has been carefully proof-read.

Your paper will be due at the beginning of class on Monday, April 17th.
(Note that's different from the due date on the syllabus.)