



## Second Midterm Exam

HIST 118, Professor Caleb McDaniel

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Using the two hours allotted to you for this exam, write an essay that responds to **ONE** of the following prompts. Upload your essay as a Microsoft Word document or PDF to OWL-Space before the two-hour timer expires.

### Choice A

Between the Civil War and the Great Depression, industrialization transformed the economy and the organization of labor in the United States. These changes directly affected the lives and political aspirations of skilled, white laboring men. But industrialization also directly or indirectly affected **three** other groups—black freedpeople in the South, women in the cities, and new immigrants. How did the major consequences of industrialization vary among these three specific groups?

### Choice B

In 1872, Victoria Woodhull became the first woman in American history to run for president. Forty-seven years later, in 1919, Congress passed the Nineteenth Amendment recognizing the right of women to vote. Given the prevailing ideas about sex, family roles, and gender equality in the years between 1872 and 1919, should this era be seen as a time of radical change and steady progress for all American women? Why or why not?

### Important Notes

1. Your essay *must* draw on evidence collected from assigned readings and lectures in this course. While you *may* use prior knowledge or outside research if appropriate, these sources of evidence are not required, will not necessarily improve your grade, and *cannot* serve as substitutes for the use of evidence drawn from course materials.
2. Include a list of the readings and lectures cited in your essay.
3. Be as specific as possible both in your claims and in the evidence or information you use to support them. Limited generalizations, when well-founded in the evidence, are better than glittering generalities with little evidence to support them.
4. Be sure to read the prompt carefully and answer the question directly!