COVID-19 has disproportionally impacted disabled, BIPOC, (cis) women and gender-diverse (trans, non-binary, and genderqueer) people.

This assignment asks you to outline how the COVID-19 crisis has worsened gendered/racialized/disability disparities, AND how these groups have been at the forefront of change.

How has COVID-19 emphasized that Disability Justice is necessary for radical change?

Using the format of your choice (essay, letter, blog post, Instagram post, etc.), your assignment should do the following:

• present a connection between COVID-19 and systemic oppression (whether it is ableism, sexism, racism, cissexism, heterosexism, or a combination)

• Use Sins Invalid’s 10 Tenets of Disability Justice, showing how Disability Justice connects to this issue

• Give at least one example of a person/group who has enacted parts of Disability Justice in their response to this topic related to COVID-19.

You will be graded on spelling and grammar, but the tone and format is up to you! Please double-space and use font around 12- point.

You’re welcome to use first-person pronouns (I, me, my) and personal experience, but this is not required. If you are having difficulty choosing a topic for this assignment, read over Goggin and Ellis (2020) (reading in week 2), or come to tutorial and ask for help from your professor, TAs, and peers.