

## Final Project Proposal

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As we discussed in conference, I plan to write a traditional paper analyzing Black Marxist feminist thought, using Claudia Jones' work as a starting point for my research. I plan to compare this work to both white Marxism and feminism and trace its effect on other Black feminist texts. I've read some Marxist work, and my primary critique of the literature has been that it largely fails to engage with the lived struggles of those oppressed along the axes of race and gender. I think Black women are thus uniquely positioned to improve and extend marxist critique, and from my preliminary reading, Claudia Jones seems to do exactly that. She seems to write Marxist thought relevant to (liberating) Black women. I would love to dedicate my research for this class to learning more about her (and other Black Marxist feminists') work. I am most comfortable with traditional academic papers, and, in engaging with a topic as new to me as this one is, I think it would be a disservice to the topic and to me to try to express it in some other medium.