Abstract

This text discusses the relationship between discrimination and disability. We take as fundamental references the studies carried out by T. Adorno and M. Horkheimer on discrimination, as well as the contribution of such authors as Ligia Amaral and José Leon Crochik, for whom discrimination against disabled people is understood as a mechanism of social negation, since their differences are emphasized as an absence, need or inability. Disability carves on the very body of the individual its specific character. The disabled body is not sufficient for a society that requires its intensive use leading to physical wear which is a result of subservient work; or for the construction of a corporeity that has in view mere control and correction, in terms of a hegemonic corporal aesthetics with economic interests. In this sense, we all are more and more distant from the autonomy and from the possibility of differentiation, remaining adaptation alone to the existing situation which constitutes an attempt to accept the lie necessary for survival or self-preservation.

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