Law 12 – Ms. Bunbury
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Law 12 Major Enquiry Project: Due June 8, 2018

Law is full of big ideas and concepts that are demanding to be researched, explored and questioned. This law class is a survey course that will give you an introduction to many of the basic concepts. This project will provide you with an opportunity to go beyond the course content and delve deeper into a law related area of interest. You are about to embark on a journey of inquiry within the subject of law.

Basic Steps to Inquiry:

1) Open – Brainstorm topics of interest (5%)
2) Immerse – What do you already know about your topic? What do others already know and what do you find interesting. (10%)
3) Explore – Do some basic research on your topic (10%)
4) Identify – Find areas of controversy and develop a inquiry question that needs to be answered (10%)
5) Gather - Gather evidence that responds to your question. Go deep into the content of your subject area. Become an expert. (10%)
6) Create – Go beyond the facts to create meaning. (25%)
7) Share – Tell your story and share your findings (25%)
8) Assess – Assess your process. How did it go? (5%)

As a class we will walk through these steps with checkpoints along the way. The whole process will span the entire semester and this journey, along with the final presentation, will take the place of your law final exam.

Step 1: Brainstorm
- Label a separate sheet of paper: Ideas for law inquiry
- Over the next week, write down any ideas, questions or topics that you might like to research.
- By February 26, you should have a list of a minimum of 10 ideas.
- Your list can be as basic as overall topics or it can have more specific details that may come to mind as you are writing it down.

Step 2: to follow...
Step 2 - Immersive Research:

**Topic**: formulate an enquiry question

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**Why are you interested in the topic?**

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**What do you know about the topic?**

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So now you have your inquiry question...

Step 3 – Gather:
- Begin to gather as many resources as possible on your topic.
- You should have at least 10-15 reliable sources.
- Read through your material, take notes and evaluate relevancy.
- Be sure to take note of where you are collecting your sources as you will be required to do citations and a bibliography.

Step 4 – Create: Go beyond your findings to create meaning.
- Summarize your findings and develop a comprehensive answer to your inquiry question. What can you conclude based on your research? Be sure to go deep in your analysis and use evidence from your findings to support your ideas.
- Create a 1500-1800 word essay that summarizes your findings.
- It may help to use headings in your essay to organize the answer to your inquiry question.

Step 5 – Share:
- You will be provided with a total of 5-7 minutes to share your inquiry experience and what you discovered.
- In a creative format, TED talk style, you will present to the class.
  - Your Ted talk may either be filmed in advance and projected for the class, or may be presented live in person.