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FALL 2022 - First Week Assignment

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Text and Material Information	Title: A Lawyer Writes: A Practical Guide to Legal Analysis [ALW] Authors: Christine Coughlin, Joan Malmud Rocklin, Sandy Patrick Publisher: Carolina Academic Press Edition: Third Edition (2018) ISBN#: 9781531008765
	Title: Becoming a Legal Writer [BLW] Author: Robin Boyle-Laisure, Christine Coughlin, and Sandy Patrick Publisher: Carolina Academic Press Edition: First Edition (2019) ISBN#: 978-1-5310-0448-4
	Title: The Bluebook: A Uniform System of Citation [B]Author: The Harvard Law Review AssociationPublisher: The Harvard Law Review Association (https://www.legalbluebook.com/)Edition: 21st. ed. (2020)ISBN#: 9780578666150
	Title: Understanding and Mastering the Bluebook: A Guide for Students and Practitioner (4th ed. 2020). [UMB] Author: Linda J. Barris Publisher: Carolina Academic Press Edition: Fourth Edition (2020)
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Assignment Details Class 1	READINGS AND ASSIGNMENTS FOR CLASSES 1 THROUGH 4 FOR LRW I Your Professor may have additional exercises or assignments that will be provided to you during the first week of classes. Class 1: Monday, 8/15 Topics: Introduction to Syllabus, Course Calendar, and the Many Moving Parts of LRW I. The Importance of Legal Writing, Professionalism, and Academic Integrity. Readings: ALW, Chapter 7, Section 7.3, pp. 133-39. Review COL 2022-2023 Student Handbook. Professional Expectations, The Florida Bar, https://www.floridabar.org/prof/regulating-professionalism/professionalism-expectations-2/ Gerald Lebovits, The Writing Process for New Lawyers: Getting It Written and Right, 89 N.Y. St. B.J. 80 (May 2017), at https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=2967050 Assignments and Exercises: Register for the online plagiarism mini-course: Avoiding Plagiarism in Law School. Complete and receive a Certificate which you will upload to Turnitin. Your Professor will provide directions for submitting assignments through Turnitin. Due: Sunday, 8/21, by 11:59 pm on Turnitin. For Class 2: Prepare a short presentation (< three minutes) to introduce yourself to your classmates to deliver on Wednesday, 8/17. You may include Powerpoint slides, but you are limited to a maximum of two slides. Slides are due on Tuesday, 8/16, by 5 pm. Suggestions: (1) Your Name; (2) Your Hometown; (3) Undergraduate Institution; (4) Why Law School?; (5) Hobbies/Favorites in Your Life; and (6) Future Plans. Core Grammar Pre-Test. Due Sunday, 8/28, by 11:59 pm. ASSIGNMENT DUE : Personal Introduction PowerPoint Slides (max of two slides). Tuesday, 8/16, by 5 pm, uploaded to Turnitin.

Assignment Details Class 2	Class 2: Wednesday, 8/17 Topics: Class Introductions (under three minutes per student). The United States Legal System: Sources and Systems of the Law. Readings: ALW, Chapter 2, pp.15-31. BLW, Chapter 2, pp.19-28. Assignments and Exercises Due: Personal Introductions. BLW, Exercises 2.1, 2.3, 2.4 and 2.5. Be prepared to discuss with an assigned group. Core Grammar Pre-Test. Due Sunday, 8/28, by 11:59 pm. ASSIGNMENT DUE: Core Grammar Pre-Test Completion on Core Grammar. Sunday, 8/28, by 11:59 pm.
Assignment Details Class 3	Class 3: Monday, 8/22 Topics: Reading Statutes For Comprehension . Reading Cases for Comprehension.
	Readings: ALW, Chapter 3, Section 3.1, pp. 33-43. BLW, Chapter 3.1 and 3.2, pp. 35-56. Assignments and Exercises Due: BLW Exercises 3.1.1. and 3.1.2. Be prepared to discuss with an assigned group.
	In-Class Exercise: Writing Exercise.
Assignment Details Class 4	Class 4: Wednesday, 8//24 Topics: Reading Cases for Comprehension. Preparing Case Briefs. Readings: ALW, Chapter 3, pp. 45-59. BLW, Chapter 3.3, pp. 57-75. Orin Kerr, How to Read a Judicial Opinion: A Guide for New Law Students, 11 GreenBag 51 (2007) [Version 2 of document, at https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=1160925 Assignments and and Exercises Due: BLW, Exercises 3.3.2 and 3.3.3. Be prepared to discuss with an assigned group. ASSIGNMENT DUE : Plagiarism Certificate uploaded to Turnitin. Sunday, 8/28, by 11:59 pm.