

Legal Research & Writing – Fall 2021 – Prof. Werner
Interview Assignment due 8/24

Dear Students,

Welcome to Willamette, and welcome to your Legal Research and Writing Section. I look forward to getting to know you all.

On our first day of class, we will introduce ourselves to each other. We will also discuss the course, and the definitions of law and community.

You have two tasks to accomplish before class. These are REQUIRED.

1. Interview one or two classmates before class. Take notes, because when we meet, I will ask you to introduce the person or persons assigned to you to the entire class. I have attached the interview assignment to this email. This interview assignment is also posted on WISE, under the Assignments tab.
2. Read the following.
 - a) A Lawyer Writes, Chapter 2: Sources and Systems of Law.
 - b) Oregon court diagram, posted on WISE under Resources/Week 1 Class 1.
 - c) Syllabus and Course Information, posted on WISE under Resources/Syllabus.
 - d) Optional: Read Oregon's Courts, posted on WISE under Resources/Week 1 Class 1.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to email me. See you next week!

Professor Werner

WHO TO INTERVIEW

Interview the person you are paired with. If you are in a group of three, one of you will need to interview two people. Your group will decide who the double-interviewer will be.

Ayers, Jenna	Hinds, Steven
Baker, Josh	Kelly, Tristan
Brinkerhoff, Kate	Kimberlin, Grant
Casini, Erin	Le, Patrick
Cullen, Sierra	Mann, Jasmine
Dorsey, Jennifer	Orellana Pena, Kevin
Fakharzadeh, Samantha	Ortega-Cuevas, Leo
Gabbert, Ezra	Pleasant, Madison
Gantzer Barajas, Edwina	Ricciardi, Julia
Habash, Waleed	Riess, Christina
Haley, Jake	Sisler, Janae
Herrmann, Chelsey	Tingstad, Drew
	Tiwana, Jasnit

CONTACT INFORMATION

You all have each other's email addresses. Go to the class page on WISE, and click the Roster tab. Each student's name and user ID is listed. The email for each student is userId@willamette.edu. For example, my user ID is "mywerner" and my email is mywerner@willamette.edu. Once you have your interviewee's email, you can arrange to meet in person, by Zoom or by phone. You can also just exchange emails.

THE INTERVIEW

Here are some potential questions.

1. Why did you decide to attend law school?
2. What is your favorite song/piece of music/book/story/poem/artwork, and why?
3. What are your favorite hobbies, and why?
4. What sports teams do you support, and why? What sports do you like, and why?
5. If you could invite a celebrity/famous or noteworthy figure from the past or present to dinner, who would you invite, and why?

Ask at least three questions. Use any of the above, or use your own. Have fun!

It should take around 10-15 minutes for two or three people to interview each other. Take notes, because I will ask you to quickly introduce the person or persons that you interviewed to the class.