
LEGAL RESEARCH, ANALYSIS, AND WRITING I
SECTIONS 003 & 004
FALL 2024
PROFESSORS OSBORNE & GLENN

Texts

Print Textbooks Required for both Fall and Spring semesters:

1. Christine Coughlin, Joan Malmud Rocklin & Sandy Patrick, *A Lawyer Writes: A Practical Guide to Legal Analysis* (4th 2024). Renting this book for two semesters is uneconomical.
2. *The Bluebook* (21st ed. 2020). You may not use other editions of *The Bluebook*. Purchase the hard copy rather than the digital subscription. Do not rent this book; you will use this book all three years of law school and in practice.
3. Recommended, but not Required: Anne Enquist & Laurel Currie Oates, *Just Writing: Grammar, Punctuation, and Style for the Legal Writer*, any edition. Consider buying a used version on Amazon (or similar store). A copy is also available in the law library.

Online Texts:

1. *Core Grammar for Lawyers*, online subscription available at <https://coregrammarforlawyers.com/>.
2. *LRAW Research Fall 2024* (“*LRAW Research*”) at <http://guides.law.sc.edu/LRAWFall>. You may always consult *LRAW Research* for help completing any quiz, and it will remain accessible to you after this course ends.

First Class Meeting & Assignment

- The first day of LRAW is **Wednesday, August 21**. However, this day follows a **Tuesday** schedule to account for holidays later in the semester. While you all are in large Section 1, you are in Section 003 or Section 004 of LRAW.
 - Section 003 will meet in room 130 at 9:10 AM.
 - Section 004 will meet in room 397 at 1:30 PM.
- FYI: Unless you are told otherwise, **both** sections will have class together on **Fridays** in room 397 at 9:10 am. We will explain this further in class.
- Access the TWEN page for this class, **LRAW (Osborne/Glenn)**, and familiarize yourself with its layout and content. For help adding a TWEN course, please visit [this link](#).
 - Download the Syllabus and read the first six pages as well as the Course Policies at the end of the Syllabus. The Syllabus will be posted early next week.
- Read the *LRAW Research*, U.S. Legal System unit: Sources of Law and Weight of Authority.
- Read *A Lawyer Writes*: Introduction, pp. xxi-xxii; Intro to Ch. 3 (Reading for Comprehension), pp. 33-34; Ch. 3.2 (Reading Judicial Opinions), pp. 45-64.
- From TWEN: Read *Campbell v. Robinson* and the memo regarding Caroline Jones's legal issue.
 - As you read *Campbell*, apply the concepts you learned in Ch. 3.2 of *A Lawyer Writes*. After you have read the case at least once, locate the Reading Guide. Download and complete that document as best you can. Please have access to your responses in class throughout the week.
- Download the Microsoft Teams desktop app at portal.office.com. You can find an instructional video [here](#).
- Purchase your *Core Grammar* subscription: visit <https://coregrammarforlawyers.com/purchase>. Follow the instructions in the memo you received prior to orientation to complete the purchase. If you have any difficulties accessing Core Grammar, please contact Professor Osborne at osbornmk@mailbox.sc.edu.
 - Complete the Core Grammar Pre-Test if you have not already done so.
 - *Core Grammar*: By Sunday, August 25, complete Lessons A.1 & A.2.
- Download the Student Introduction Questionnaire and submit it using the Assignment Drop Box on TWEN by **Thursday, Aug. 22 at 11:59 PM**.
- Read *LRAW Research*, U.S. Legal System unit: Sources of Law and Weight of Authority.
 - The graded, open-book **Legal System Quiz** becomes available on TWEN on Wednesday, Aug. 21, at 2:40 PM and is due **Friday, Aug. 23, at 2:40 PM**.