



Comm Skills Virtual Learning

Legal Communications I & II

Research & Investigation

May 4, 2020



Lesson: May 4, 2020

Objective/Learning Target: Students will research and investigate gaps in laws and policy.

Bell Ringer/Let's Get Started

Let's begin by reviewing the alternative policies that you identified last week. Are there more you could add? Which do you like best? Which do you want to know more about? What new questions have developed as a result of this phase?

Take a few minutes and journal some thoughts.

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Choosing a Policy Solution

In deciding which solution to pursue, you may:

- Support one of the alternative policies proposed in last week's research
- Modify one of those policies
- Combine aspects of several of the alternatives, or
- Develop an entirely new public policy solution

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Steps:

1. Review the alternative solutions
2. Use your research to determine the policy solution for the problem
3. Finalize the chosen policy solution
4. Reflect on the Constitutionality of the chosen policy.

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The Constitutionality of the Chosen Policy

Evaluate the constitutionality of the chosen policy by responding to the following questions in your own words:

The chosen policy serves the following purposes of government (based on the Preamble of the Constitution (analyze all that apply))

Creates more unity in the community

Establishes justice in the community

Ensures peace in the community

Provides for the common defense of the community

Secures liberty for the future of the community

Which of these do you think is the primary purpose of the project and **why**?

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The chosen policy respects the following individual rights of members of the community (analyze all that apply):

The right to freedom of religion

The right to freedom of speech & expression

The right to due process of law

The right to privacy

The right to equality of opportunity

Explain in your own words how the policy respects the rights you checked above

Practice

Reflection on Choosing a Policy Solution

Respond to the following questions to reflect on your experience of choosing a policy solution and the project so far.

Based on your own research and review of the alternative policies, which policy did YOU think would be the best choice for a policy solution and why?

What additional research should be completed?

Create your next action step.

Additional Resources

[Criminal Procedure](#)

[Criminal Procedure and the Constitution](#)

[U.S. Constitution](#)