

ASSIGNMENT SEASON

issue 3



DATES TO REMEMBER

How to Interview and Speed Interview

- Wednesday Week 6, 6pm
- Ligertwood 333

Triversity Law Pub Crawl

- Friday Week 6, 8pm
- Various venues – see the facebook event!

Headstart Seminar (Early Careers in Law)

- Thursday Week 9, 11am
- Napier 102 Lecture Theatre

First Year Activities

- Keep your eyes peeled for any upcoming first year activities! We have a few ideas floating around that we hope to make happen soon!

Oh, the illusive assignment period. It is just a wee bit stressful, hey? After nearly 20 assignments, I can barely recall my first assignment, but what I do remember was the nerve-wracking experience of trying to figure out the content of the assignment, the references and how to even submit an assignment. I really do hope that you feel equipped to deal with these issues thanks to your lecturers, the help of the Education Portfolio's resources and any other law school staff members. But if you do not, please know that you can reach out to your lecturers regarding any general queries on your assignment, Paula Everett or any of the other library staff for some help with referencing, or the AULSS Education Portfolio. For the sake of not boring you (or myself), I am not going to rehash what was said in the recent Education seminars, but I do want to say that I will be sending an email to everyone soon, which will have the recordings of these seminar! I know, I know, I send you all too many emails, but I promise this one will be very useful to many of you!

My last tip for you is to not worry too much about the waiting period and the grade you may get (even if it is the worst part about the assignment period). I will let you in on a little secret: most people tend not to be happy with the grade of their first assignment. That is completely okay too! At our First Year Q&A, Aditi, one of our panellists, put it really well; she said that it was important to change your mind set in your first year of university from wanting to get 95% grades to wanting to do your best, whatever the resulting grade may be. It is really important to manage your expectations in law. There are people that do exceptionally well and consistently get high distinction grades, however, most people tend to get credit and distinction grades, which are great grade bands in law. Any grade is a brilliant grade as long as you believe that you put in as much hard work and effort as you could have, and if it is not a grade that you were hoping for, use it as a learning tool to keep getting better. One assignment grade in first year will truly be insignificant once you reach dinosaur age like me. So, if you just try your best and use all the resources available to you I am sure that you will smash your assignment!

Lots of love and luck,
Nadeesha