

Joint Professionalism Training Evaluation

Due Monday, November 23, 2020

Choose one of the two following questions to answer. Resources from the two sessions are posted at <https://handbook.law.utoronto.ca/jd-academic-program/first-year-academic-program/joint-professionalism-training>. Please write a short (350-500 word) essay in response. Send your response, with a cover sheet, to assignments.law@utoronto.ca. They will be graded on a credit/no credit basis. Do not hesitate to be in touch (sara.faherty@utoronto.ca) if you have any questions about the assignment.

Question One:

Describe a time when you benefited from privilege. What was the source of that privilege? Were you aware of the privilege and how it empowered you at the time? In the alternative, describe a time when you were denied privilege. Were you aware of the denial, and how it disempowered you at the time? In either case, can you think of a way in which you could use your position as a law student to address the power gap you identified?

Question Two:

What is the connection between sections 7.2-1 and 6.3.1-1 of the Rules of Professional Conduct? Do lawyers and licensees have a professional obligation to not perpetuate systems and practices of anti-Black racism in the legal profession, including in their interactions with other lawyers?