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Reflections on the Fall 2020 Semester

This semester was odd and challenging. The weirdest aspect was running the *Journal of Race, Gender, and Social Justice* through an online format. This required an amazing amount of planning and meticulous execution by my staff and our members.

I cannot thank my staff enough for their patience and willingness to work through unplanned hiccups during the process. Additionally, I cannot overstate how amazing the 2L staff has been in learning how to do cite checks through an online orientation, and my executive staff for opening up their schedules by having office hours to answer any questions our 2L staff had.

Next semester, I hope that the *Journal* can have some (presumably online) events planned outside the realm of cite checks or note writing. I want to get to know the staff better and what they want to see from the *Journal* in the future as this board's tenure is ending soon. It is especially exciting to see the bright and beaming faces of the 2L staff as we look to select a new board in February. While onboarding the new board will be challenging with the undoubted Zoom fatigue we all face, I am excited to hand over the reins of the *Journal* to a new set of citizen lawyers and see them take the *Journal* to new heights!