

Using Animal Law to Teach Legal Research

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Reviewer's Summary:

In this article, Morath advocates using animal law to teach legal research to first-year law students. Animal law builds on first-year legal concepts, such as torts, property, and contracts. Animal law is largely state-specific, allowing instructors to highlight differences between state laws. It can also be used to teach statutory law, administrative law, or common law research. Finally, animals are an appealing, understandable subject matter. In the footnotes, Morath provides some examples of animal-related laws and cases that could be used as the basis for research assignments.

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