

Outline:

1. Week One Orientation and briefly Why question whether the Wisconsin Idea is Still Alive. Video Lecture --Lisa Graves - "The Corruption of the Wisconsin Idea: ALEC and Other Developments"
2. Week Two Wisconsin's political divide and the Wisconsin Idea 1 Video Lecture Kathy Cramer - "The Politics of Resentment"
3. Week Three John Bascom a University for Wisconsin before there was "the Wisconsin Idea " Video Lecture David Hoeveler - "John Bascom and the Origins of the Wisconsin Idea"
4. Week Four The complex birth and growth of the Wisconsin Idea - Video Lecture Gwen Drury – "The Wisconsin Idea: How Do We Define the Concept that Defines Us?"
5. Week Five The Aldo Leopold devotion to a Land Ethic and the UW's connection Video Lecture Curt Meine - "Conservation and the Wisconsin Idea: An Evolving Legacy"
6. Week Six Video Lecture Paul Robbins - "Start with what People Value: Environment, Land, and the Wisconsin Idea"

Other lectures May be substituted or suggested as exploratory work

What is a public University for? Video Lecture Sara Goldrick-Rab - "The Future of Wisconsin Public Higher Education"

Video Lecture Aaron Bird Bear - "Notes from the Ethnic Cleansing Zone"

Video Lecture "Criminal Justice in Wisconsin: The Good, The Bad, and The Ugly"

Who owns the Wisconsin Idea and the UW-Madison Brand? Video Lecture- Noel Radomski - "The Future of The Wisconsin Idea"

1 The description of each week's class is my descriptor for our topic.