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Paper 4 Abstract

The purpose of this abstract is to inform the readers what the topic of my paper will be about. While being at Wabash, we get sort of conditioned to think and act in a certain way. That way is to usually act as gentlemen. I believe the way that Wabash attempts to convince us as students to be a “Wabash Gentleman” is to have us read works of different literature that display actions of men that they would like for “Wabash Men” to be replicas of. Basically, Wabash wants us to share the same ideas as the people who wrote and drew the various books, articles, plays, movies because they all express and address a problem that is an issue in the world and that is what “Wabash Men” do best. In my two years here at Wabash, I have not met a student or alumnus from Wabash that does not care about an issue that plagues the world. In these literatures, these men are usually thinkers, leaders, innovators, and men who create their own path. I believe that the class of “Enduring Questions” is meant for the college to start trying to condition the students into what they want to become. On the one hand, these literatures portray the acts of good men (which are the men Wabash would for their students to be replicas of), but on the other hand, the same literatures portray the men that Wabash does not want to be replicas of. But just the “Gentlemen’s Rule” that is left up to us to interpret what the college wants us to think about.