Project #2 Proposal

My name is Destinee Campbell and I am planning to analyze the Abc television show, “Scandal.” In this show, Olivia Pope, the main character is known for her talent of “fixing” situations for well-known people, mainly Washington D.C. residents. Olivia runs OPA, Olivia Pope and Associates, which is a law firm that solves the problems of government officials and wealthy people. Olivia works to cover up crime scenes and hijacks government information in order to clear her clients’ names. Her most famous client, who also happens to be her lover, is President Fitzgerald Grant III. The show reveals that Olivia and a team of other politicians worked together to rig the election, so that Fitz would become the President of the United States.

The specific research question that I am going to answer is, “What type of lawyer is Olivia Pope and is it ethical?” I am going to find out if Scandal is a proper portrayal of a functional law firm and if Olivia Pope embodies a true lawyer. This research question is important to me, because law is the field of study that I intend on pursuing. I have always loved the show, but I’m looking forward to having the opportunity to looking deeper into the series and discovering the truths (or lack there-of) behind it.