**Data Journalism Final Project Ideas**

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**Idea One: Georgia Voting Laws**

* Questions:
  + How many new voting laws have been proposed or passed in Georgia since the 2020 election?
  + What is support like for these laws? And by how much of a margin are they passing in the state legislature?
  + What is the basis for these laws?
  + What will the outcome of these laws be? Will they affect voter turnout?
* Sources:
  + [Voting Rights Lab](https://tracker.votingrightslab.org/)
  + [NCSL State Elections Legislation Database](https://www.ncsl.org/research/elections-and-campaigns/elections-legislation-database.aspx)
* Classmate Feedback:
  + Interview someone working in voter advocacy

**Idea Two: Unpaid Speeding Tickets by DMV Drivers**

* Questions:
  + How many red light and speeding tickets have been issued to Maryland, Virginia, and DC drivers? How much money do those tickets come out to?
  + What is reciprocity? Why does it matter? And why isn’t it happening?
  + Why aren’t people paying tickets? And what’s the point of administering them and installing speeding cameras if people are ignoring them?
* Sources:
  + DMV records accessed through a FOIA request
* Classmate Feedback:
  + Search for different data sets that wouldn’t require FOIA, consider reaching out to a journalist