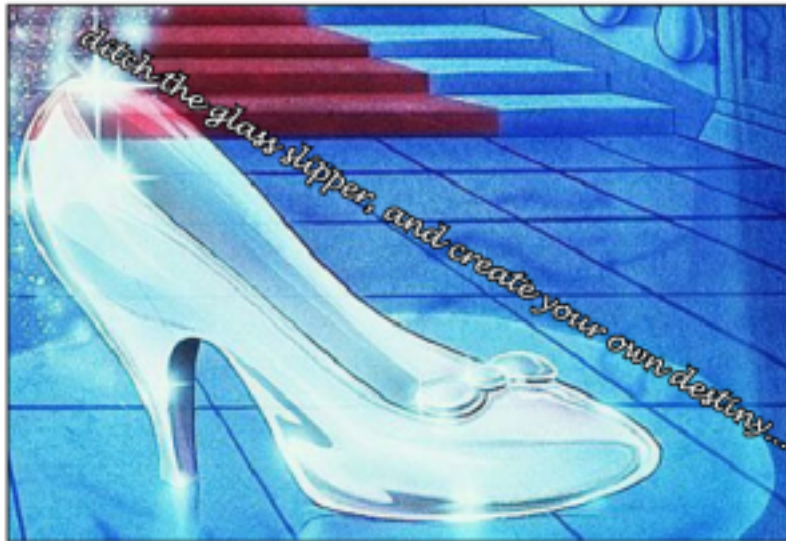July 22, 2014
This is reality, not a fairytale; so go after your dreams.

Growing up, you quickly learn the romance stories of the Disney princesses. Girl meets boy. Boy saves girl. Girl falls in love. They get married and live happily ever after.

And when you get older, romantic comedies become more popular and the same lessons are taught. Girl meets boy. She needs him to find success. And once he helps her get ahead, they fall in love. They kiss, and the movie ends.

These movies and television shows basically portray most women and girls the same way: blonde, pretty, they don't care about the value of education or their future as long as they have their soul mate. Such flicks have become stereotypes; that there's a mold the story and characters must fit, no matter how unrealistic it may be.

Life isn't exactly like a romantic comedy, but if you believe in yourself, then you can make your dreams come true all on your own. We shouldn't have to rely on movies to figure out what we want to do in life; we should be able to figure it out all on our own.

Focus more on what you want and figure out how to make it come true, because that's how reality should be. As Olympian Gabby Douglas had said, *"Don't be afraid to speak up for yourself. Keep fighting for your dreams!"*

Since when do unrealistic expectations from Hollywood have to dictate how we run our lives and chase our own dreams? Now, I love so-called chick flicks as much as the next girl, however, it's just not realistic. If it's something you love to do, no one should stop you. It's your life. Go live it.

So, stop waiting for Prince Charming and create your own destiny.

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