

PLAW 2120-001, 002
Business Law I, V
Robert King
001-TR 8:30-10:20
002-TR 10:30-12:20
Spring 2006

Objectives: This course seeks to familiarize the student with the American Legal System. Its emphasis is on those areas of civil law which deal with Contracts, Torts, and other related business topics, such as ethics. This course will enable the student to understand the basic elements of contract formation. It will also serve to develop the student's ability to discern the potential legal issues in a given situation.

Course Content: This course examines the concepts of contractual agreement, formation of contracts, relief from contractual obligations, consideration, capacity to contract, public policy and contractual purpose, and contractual duties and rights. It also examines tort law, including intentional torts, negligent torts, and other common business torts.

Prerequisites: Recommended for ACCT and FINA majors.

Attendance: URGED. ATTENDANCE IS TAKEN AT EVERY CLASS.

Class Format: Emphasis is on class discussion and participation, including mock dispute resolution.

Readings: Text - Smith & Roberson, *Business Law*, 13th edition by West.

Evaluation: 3 exams = 100%

PLAW 3110-001, 002
Legal & Social Ethic Environment of Business, W2, V
Audrey Latourette
001-MWF 11:20-12:35
002-MWF 12:45-2:00
Spring 2006

Objectives: This course endeavors to introduce major legal issues that permeate the relationship between business and government, and to afford an understanding of the legal context within which businesses must operate. It further addresses the role of law in society, the relationship of law and ethics, and the role of government administrative agencies.

Course Content: The course provides an introduction to law and the legal system, and it explores in an in depth fashion topics such as the laws regarding sexual harassment, sex discrimination, whistle blowing, privacy, workplace safety, environmental law, marketing, and product liability.

Prerequisites: Recommended for MGMT and MKTG majors.

Attendance: Required. (See EVALUATION)

Class Format: Discussion/participatory with an orientation toward research and writing.

Laboratory/Field Experience: Library research session.

Readings: Halbert & Ingulli, Law & Ethics in the Business Environment.

Evaluation: This class will be VERY participatory in nature, and includes significant, guided, independent research. Grades are premised on the weekly submission of papers which entail research and analysis, and three research projects.

PLAW 3110-003
Legal & Social Environment of Business, W2, V
Elaine Ingulli
TR 6 :00-7 :50
Spring 2006

Attributes : V

Objectives: To introduce major controversial issues in relationship of business and government; role of law in our society – relationship of law and ethics; role of government administrative agencies.

Course Content: Introduction to law and legal system; exploration of topics in depth-including topics such as sexual harassment; whistle-blowing; privacy; equity, workplace safety, environmental law; advertising products liability, intellectual property. Government regulation of business and ethical concerns will be addressed.

Prerequisites: Recommended for Business majors.

Attendance: Required.

Class Format: Discussion, in-class role plays, additional presentations/projects to be decided.

Required Texts: Halbert & Ingulli, *Law and Ethics in the Business Environment*. (paperback), 5th ed. (2006)

NOTE: Edition is IMPORTANT. There is a reading assignment for EVERY class.

Evaluation: Essay-exams (midterm, final); additional writing/projects to be decided.

PLAW 3120-001
Business Law II
Robert King
Tuesday/Thursday 6:00-7:50, Subterm A
Spring 2006

Objectives: To gain an understanding of the substantive law; to improve analytical thinking, critical reading and problem solving skills; ethical sensitivities.

Course Content: Topics in this course will concentrate on Sales, Negotiable Instruments and the statutory laws, primarily the Uniform Commercial Code, which regulate such transactions.

Prerequisites: Business Law I or equivalent.

Attendance: URGED. ATTENDANCE IS TAKEN AT EVERY CLASS.

Class Format: Lecture and discussion, problem solving.

Reading: Text-Smith & Roberson, Business Law, 13th Edition by West

Evaluation: Participation, Two Exams

PLAW 4100-001
Computer Ethics, Laws
(Same as CSIS 4100)
Elaine Ingulli
TR 10:30-12:20
Spring 2006

Objectives: Critical reading, thinking, analysis of ethical/ legal considerations relevant to computer professionals.

Course Content: A study on the ethical aspects of using computers in a democratic society, and current laws related to use of computer hardware and software, and the ownership and protection of knowledge property.

Prerequisites: Senior Status.

Attendance: Required.

Class Format: Seminar

Readings: Textbook to be decided; additional book, outside research and research reports.

Evaluation: Seminar participation, midterm, final and research reports