



BLAW 2310: U.S. Business Law

| 2022 Spring Session | |
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| Total Class Sessions: 25 Class Sessions Per Week: 5 Total Weeks: 5 Class Session Length (Minutes): 145 Credit Hours: 4 | Instructor: Staff Classroom: TBA Office Hours: TBA Language: English |

Course Description:

This course examines organizations and operations of U.S. legal system, legal rules and ethical constraints on business, and the practical applications of these rules. Students will gain knowledge of the legal process, administrative regulations, and liabilities of employment. Topics on securities, transactions and environmental law will be discussed as well. Students will develop analytical and problem-solving skills for decision-making in business.

Course Materials:

Business Law and the Legal Environment, 8th Edition by Jeffrey F. Beatty (Author), Susan S. Samuelson (Author)

Course Format and Requirements:

Class time will be used for a combination of lectures, class discussions, and student presentations.

Attendance:

Attendance at lectures is vital to get a thorough understanding of the material. This course requires verbal participation in class exercises, activities, and contributions to class discussions. Students must be present and actively involved to receive these points.

Course Assignments:

Quizzes:

Quizzes will usually consist of True-False, multiple choices and short answer essay questions. 6 quizzes will be given and the lowest score will be dropped.

Exams:

Two midterms and a final will be given. Students are required to join all exams. Students will solve multiple choice questions, case analysis questions, short Q&A and in-class essay questions.

Articles Review

Prepare three recent news articles related to legal issues about business, write summary to accompany each article (one page in length, single-spaced). The summary will describe topics



including: (1) ethical issue presented in the article, (2) analyzing the issue applying the ethical principles covered in class, and (3) personal recommendation of how the issue should be solved.

Course Assessment:

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| Attendance | 5% |
| Quizzes (5 out of 6) | 10% |
| Articles Review | 20% |
| Midterm Exam 1 | 20% |
| Midterm Exam 2 | 20% |
| Final Exam | 25% |
| Total | 100% |

Grading Scale (percentage):

| A+ | A | A- | B+ | B | B- | C+ | C | C- | D+ | D | D- | F |
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| 98- 100 | 93- 97 | 90- 92 | 88- 89 | 83- 87 | 80- 82 | 78- 79 | 73- 77 | 70- 72 | 68- 69 | 63- 67 | 60- 62 | <60 |

Academic Integrity:

Students are encouraged to study together, and to discuss lecture topics with one another, but all other work should be completed independently.

Students are expected to adhere to the standards of academic honesty and integrity that are described in the Chengdu University of Technology's *Academic Conduct Code*. Any work suspected of violating the standards of the *Academic Conduct Code* will be reported to the Dean's Office. Penalties for violating the *Academic Conduct Code* may include dismissal from the program. All students have an individual responsibility to know and understand the provisions of the *Academic Conduct Code*.

Special Needs or Assistance:

Please contact the Administrative Office immediately if you have a learning disability, a medical issue, or any other type of problem that prevents professors from seeing you have learned the course material. Our goal is to help you learn, not to penalize you for issues which mask your learning.

Course Schedule:

Class 1:

Overview of the course;

Go through syllabus;

Self-introduction;

Students form discussion group;



Introduction to Law and Legal Reasoning

Class 2:

The Legal Environment;
Today's Business Environment;
The Court Systems
Constitutional Law;

Class 3:

Constitutional Law (cont.);
Courts and Alternative Dispute Resolutions;
Business Ethics;

Class 4:

Quiz 1
Government regulations;
Administrative Law

Class 5:

Constitutional Authority to Regulate Business;
Criminal Law;

Individual Project Instruction distributed

Class 6:

Business Torts;
Intentional Torts;

Class 7:

Quiz 2
Torts and Cyber Tools;
Nature and Classification;
Agreements
Considerations;

Class 8:

Products Liability;
Warranties Liability;
Negligence and Strict Liability;
Capacity & Legality;
Illegal Bargains;
Prepare for Midterm Exam 1

Class 9:

Midterm Exam 1



Class 10:
Personal Property;
Intellectual Property;
Personal & Property Bailment;

Individual Project Checkpoint 1

Class 11:
Real Property & Landlord-Tenant Law
Insurance, Wills, & Trust

Class 12:
Quiz 3
Sales and Lease Contracts;
Title and Risk of Loss;

Class 13:
Performance and Breach of Sales & Lease Contracts;
Discharge
Breach;

Class 14:
Contract Remedies;
Third party Rights;
Mutual Assent;
Conduct Invalidating Assent

Class 15:
Quiz 4
Introduction to Business Organizations;
Sole Proprietorship and Franchises;
All Forms of Partnerships;

Class 16:
All Forms of Partnerships (cont.);
Limited Liability Companies and Special Business Forms;
Corporate Formation and Financing
Prepare for Midterm Exam 2

Class 17:
Midterm Exam 2

Class 18:
Corporate Directors, Officers, & Shareholders;



Corporate Acquisitions;
Takeovers;
Terminations;

Class 19:
Investor Protection;
Insider Trading & Corporate Governance
Bankruptcy;

Individual Project Checkpoint 2

Class 20:
Quiz 5
Agency Relationships;
Employment Relationship in Business
Employment Law;

Class 21:
Immigration Law;
Labor Law;
Employment & Labor Regulations;
Employment Discrimination

Class 22:
Security Interests in Personal Property;
Interests in Real Property;
Transfer and Control of Real Property;
Other Creditor's Remedies and Suretyship

Class 23:
Quiz 6
Securities Regulation;
Consumer Protection

Class 24:
Environmental Law;
International Legal Environment of Business

In-class Presentation of Individual Project

Class 25:
Wrap up
Review for FINAL
In-class Presentation of Individual Project



Final Exam (Cumulative): TBA