PREREQUISITES:

University Requisite: not COB except BS 8123 and (Soph or Jr or Sr) and WARNING: no credit if taken after BUSL 2550

COURSE OVERVIEW:

This course provides a conceptual approach to origin, nature, structure, functions, and procedures of law, with study of ethics and introduction to constitutional, administrative, criminal, tort, contractual, international, and environmental law, as well as business organizations.

METHODS OF COURSE INSTRUCTION:

All material for this course is print-based. Instructor and students communicate and exchange materials through postal mail.

E-PRINT OPTION:

In this course, an option exists to use email to submit your lesson assignments. Your assignment will be returned to you either as an email attachment or as a hard copy sent through the postal mail, depending on the preferences of the instructor and/or program.

TEXTBOOKS AND SUPPLIES:


NUMBER OF LESSONS:

The course has 14 lessons, including one midcourse examination and final examination. These lessons include:

- Lesson 1: Introduction Legal Foundations for Business and the Role of Ethics
- Lesson 2: The Court System and Litigation
- Lesson 3: Alternative Dispute Resolution and Basic Concepts of the U.S. Constitution
- Lesson 4: The Property System
- Lesson 5: Contractual Formation, Performance, and Breach
- Lesson 6: Torts Affecting Business
- Lesson 7: Midcourse Examination Information
- Lesson 8: Intellectual Property and Global Expansion/International Law
- Lesson 9: Criminal Law and Business; Business Organizations
- Lesson 10: The Regulatory Process, Regulating Competition, and Antitrust Laws
- Lesson 11: Financial Securities Regulations; Privacy and Consumer Protection
- Lesson 12: Environmental Regulation/Resource Sustainability; Discrimination in Employment
- Lesson 13: Employment Laws and Labor–Management Relationship
- Lesson 14: Final Examination Information

**TYPES OF WRITING ASSIGNMENTS:**

The writing assignments for this course consist of completing chapter assignments, including true/false questions, multiple-choice questions, and short-answer questions. The written short-answer questions should be answered in at least one paragraph but no more than two paragraphs for each prompt. Correct grammar and spelling are expected; points will be deducted when the submission contains anything more than minor errors.

**GRADING CRITERIA:**

There are twelve lessons covering 22 chapters for this course worth 550 points (25 points per chapter). There are two exams for this course: a midcourse exam worth 200 points and a final exam worth 250 points. The grand total possible for this course is 1,000 points.

Your final grade will be weighted as follows:

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