

Online Bachelor Completion Program Pre-Syllabus

Class ID/Title and Quarter/Year: BusL 255, Law and Society, Fall 2009

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Prerequisites: Sophomore level or above (SOPH OR JR OR SR)

Required and Optional Materials:

Text(s): Miller, Roger LeRoy and Jentz, Gaylord A. *Business Law Today: Text & Cases – E-Commerce, Legal, Ethical, and Global Environment. 8th Ed., Comprehensive Edition.* (South-Western/Cengage Learning), 2010. ISBN: 13-978-0-324-59574-1

Additional or Optional Materials: Other materials will be posted on Blackboard.

Learning Objectives:

- **Objective 1:** Demonstrate basic knowledge of business law—both in theory and in application.
 - **Objective 2:** Analyze business situations and other situations for legal violations and potential legal problems.
 - **Objective 3:** Identify appropriate solutions to legal problems in businesses and measures that help avoid such problems.
 - **Objective 4:** Demonstrate the ability to appreciate and understand diverse groups of people.
 - **Objective 5:** Identify ethical dilemmas and their legal consequences in the business community.
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Course Description:

This course is intended to prepare the student to recognize and manage various legal issues in the business environment. Special emphasis will be placed on critical legal issues in business such as constitutional law, criminal law, contracts, business associations and partnerships, torts, employment law, administrative law, intellectual property, corporations and ethics. This course is not intended to train the student to become a lawyer, rather, this course is intended to prepare the student to anticipate and address legal issues that will arise in the due course of business.

Exam Requirements:

Number of exams: Four exams
Several Group and Individual Exercises

Proctoring requirements: All exams must be proctored

Special examination requirements: Exams are to be taken online. It is the student's responsibility to secure an approved proctor at least two weeks before the test. A complete explanation of the examination policies can be found at:

<http://www.outreach.ohio.edu/ouonline/proctor.html>

Please read any and all materials from Dorinda Hoyd (hoydd@ohio.edu) which will also explain the examination process and how to obtain a proctor.

Books and notes are not permitted during the tests. No materials such as cell phones, calculators or any other materials are allowed during the test.

Note: A very few students have been having trouble taking exams on Blackboard. Please make sure that your computers are compatible as well as making sure your browser is compatible. To learn more about the compatibility issues you should check, please read the material at:

<http://www.outreach.ohio.edu/ouonline/techreq.html>

Although the above website recommends Firefox as the preferred browser, several students have recently found that they experienced fewer problems with the Safari browser. Please remember that this is a recommendation based on the anecdotal advice of my students. OU has not officially commented on the advisability of using the Safari browser as of this writing.