



DOANE UNIVERSITY SYLLABUS

Course Title	Legal Environment of Business
Course Number	BUS 250
Number of Credits	3
Course Dates	AUTM (AUG 13- Oct 13, 2018)
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Textbook Information: (e.g. title, edition, publisher, ISBN)	Ninth Edition (Prentice Hall, 2015), Henry R. Cheeseman, ISBN: 9780134004006. Textbook is required
Additional Course Materials	N/A
Course Description	An overview of topics related to the legal environment and its effects on both businesses and individuals. Students will (1) be able to understand the judicial makeup of both the state and federal government, (2) become familiar with specific legal terminology, (3) Obtain a general understanding of the various areas of law such as constitutional, criminal and regulatory and (4) practice the identification and analysis of professional and personal legal issues within the context of business.
Program Outcomes	Gain knowledge and understanding of the ethical and legal issues involved in business Gain knowledge and understanding of the various components of a business enterprise and the interrelationship of those components

Course Learning Outcomes/Objectives	1) identify specific spheres of business within which the law requires certain behavior of businesses and individuals and the consequences of failing to adhere to these requirements, 2) apply specific legal terminology, 3) identify professional and personal legal issues within the context of business.
Technology Requirements	https://www.doane.edu/fag/minimum-computer-requirements

Course Schedule

Week or Module	Topic	Content	Assessments Matched to Learning Outcomes	Due Date & Time
Week 1	What is Law and the Judicial System	Read chapters 1 & 2	LOE1- In-class exercises LOE2- Case studies LOE 3- Homework	Homework/Articles due Week 2 by 6 p.m.
Week 2	Pretrial litigation and Constitutional Law	Read chapters 3& 4	LOE1- In-class exercises LOE2- Case studies	Homework/Articles due Week 2 by 6 p.m.
Week 3	Torts, Negligence, Product and Strict Liability	Read chapters 5&6	LOE1- In-class exercises LOE2- Case studies LOE 3- Homework	Homework/Articles due Week 3 by 6 p.m.
Week 4	Criminal Law	Read chapter 8	LOE1- In-class exercises LOE2- Film LOE 3- Homework	Homework/Articles due Week 4 by 6 p.m.

Week 5	Contracts/Agreements	Read chapters 9&10	LOE1- In-class exercises LOE2- Case studies LOE 3- Homework	Homework/Articles due Week 5 by 6 p.m.
Week 6	Personal property, real property and landlord-tenant law	Read chapters 47-49	LOE1- In-class exercises LOE2- Case studies LOE 3- Homework	Homework/Articles due Week 6 by 6 p.m.
Week 7	Environmental Protection law	Read chapter 45	LOE1- In-class exercises LOE2- Film LOE 3- Homework	Homework/Articles due Week 7 by 6 p.m.
Week 8	Individual presentation	Prepare and present final assignment	LOE1- In-class presentation/paper	Paper/presentation due Week 8 by 6pm

Grading Assessments

Type of Assessment	Points	Total possible points
In class case studies/assignments	10 possible points each week (weeks 1-7)	70
Homework assignments/articles	Varies on assignments	80
Film questions	20-30 possible points (weeks 4&7)	50
Final Presentation/Paper	100 points for paper and 50 points for presentation	150

Grade Scale (Grade scale will be program specific. Please check with the applicable Program Director for this information.)

A=90%-100%

B= 80-90%

C= 70-80%

D= 60-70%

F= 59% or below

Participation Policy	A student is expected to be prompt and regularly attend on-ground classes in their entirety. Regular engagement is expected for on-line courses. Participation in class discussions is an integral part of your grade.
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Study Time	Expectation of the amount of time the course requires students to spend preparing and completing assignments. Typically, students could expect to spend approximately 12 hours a week preparing for and actively participating in this 8-week 3 credit hour course. This actual time for study varies depending on students' backgrounds.
Late Work	Assignments are due by the beginning of class the following week. Any late work would have to be approved by the Instructor for points.
Submitting Assignments	All assignments will be submitted via Blackboard prior to the beginning of class.
Communication Policy including Assignment Feedback	Students are encouraged to reach out to the instructor regarding assignments or content on the material covered in class. If feedback is needed on an assignment, please reach out at least 48 hours prior to the due date.
Academic Integrity Policy	Add new University policy once final.
Academic Support	Please contact academicsupport@doane.edu https://www.doane.edu/graduate-and-adult/academic-support
Disability Services	https://www.doane.edu/disability-services Doane University supports reasonable accommodations to allow participation by individuals with disabilities. Any request for accommodation must be initiated by the student as soon as possible. Each student receiving accommodations is responsible for his or her educational and personal needs while enrolled at Doane University. Please contact Chris Brady at chris.brady@doane.edu or 402-467-9031 for assistance.
Military Services	https://www.doane.edu/graduate-and-adult/military
Anti-Harassment Policy	http://catalog.doane.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=452
Grade Appeal Process	http://catalog.doane.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=238
Credit Hour Definition	Doane University follows the federal guideline defining a credit hour as one hour (50 minutes) of classroom or direct faculty instruction and a minimum of two hours of out-of-class student work each week for approximately fifteen weeks (one semester), or the equivalent amount of work over a different time period (e.g., an 8-week term). This definition applies to courses regardless of delivery format, and thus includes in-person, online, and hybrid courses (combination of in-person and online). It also applies to internship, laboratory, performance, practicum, research, student teaching, and studio courses, among other contexts.
Syllabus Changes	Circumstances may occur which require adjustments to the syllabus. Changes will be made public at the earliest possible time.