

GOVERNORS STATE UNIVERSITY
College of Business and Public Administration

Course Number & Title: BLAW 326^B Business Law II

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Office Hours: Monday: 10:45A-12:30P-3:15P-3:30P
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Credit Hours: Three

Catalog Description: The study of law relating to business organization and the financing of transactions. Topics include partnerships, corporations, securities regulation, commercial paper, credit, secured transactions, and bankruptcy.

Prerequisite: BLAW 325

Textbook: Business Law and the Regulatory Environment: Concepts and Cases, 8th Edition by Metzger, et al, published by Irwin.

Note: Answers to Study Guide questions are on Reserve in the Library.

Course Type: Lecture/Discussion

Course Objectives:

Upon completion of this course, the student is able to:

1. Understand the American legal system and its function of dispute resolution.
2. Understand the basic principles of commercial law in the areas of partnerships, corporations, commercial paper and credit.
3. Recognize the applicability of the principles discussed to personal and/or career uses.

EXAMS

Three hour exams (100 pts. each) and a final (200 pts.). Exams may consist of essay and/or objective questions.

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Grading

Legal principles "live" through their application to factual situations. Knowing the five essential elements of a contract, for example, will do you little good if you cannot recognize that a promise is lacking in one of them and thus not enforceable in court. Understanding the law in a substantive area requires not only learning principles but also applying them to real world situations. The exams will weight knowledge of principles and their application equally.

The standard 90-80-70-60 grading scale will be applied to the highest score on each exam and to the total of highest scores for the course.

(For example) High Score on exam = 90
 Grading Scale A = 81-90
 B = 72-80
 C = 63-71
 D = 54-62

Experience indicates the following approximate grading scale for the course based on 500 possible points:

A = 85% and above
 B = 75-84%
 C = 65-74%
 D = 55-64%
 F = less than 55%

Students will be evaluated as follows:

<u>Grade</u>	<u>Principles</u>	<u>Application</u>
A	Superior	Superior
B	Above average Average Superior	Above average Superior Average
C	Average Above average Below average	Average Below average Above average
D	Marginal	Marginal
F	Unacceptable	Unacceptable

SCHEDULE AND ASSIGNMENTS

<u>WEEK</u>	<u>TOPIC</u>	<u>CHAPTER</u>	<u>PROBLEMS</u>
1-16	Introduction to Partnership	36	1 - 8
1-23	Operation of Partnership	37	2 - 4, 6 - 9
1-30	Ending Partnership Limited Partnerships	38 39	7, 8 1, 2, 4
2-6	EXAM #1	(Chapters 36 - 39)	
2-13	Introduction to Corporations Organization & Financing of Corporations	40 41	1, 2, 3, 6, 7, 9, 10 1, 4, 5, 8, 10
2-20	Management of Corporations	42	1 - 4, 7, 10
2-27	Shareholder's Rights Securities Regulation	43 44	1 - 3, 5 - 7 1, 8 - 11
3-6	EXAM #2	(Chapters 40 - 44)	
3-13	Negotiable Instruments	30	1 - 10
3-20	Negotiation and Holder in Due Course	31	1 - 12
3-27	Liability of Parties Checks	32 33	1 - 12 1 - 6
4-3	EXAM #3	(Chapters 30 - 33)	
4-10	Introduction to Credit Secured Transactions	27 28	1 - 3, 6, 9 1 - 11
4-17	Bankruptcy	29	1, 3, 4, 7
4-24	FINAL EXAM	(Comprehensive)	

Syllabus Statement for Persons with Disabilities:

It is the intention of the institution to support full participation of all students, regardless of physical ability level. Therefore, if any student needs consideration of his/her physical abilities in order to complete the course, please notify the instructor as soon as possible.