

BUSINESS LAW (BL)

BL-2000 Law in U.S. Culture: From the Constitution to Law and Order (3 Credits)

Requisite(s): Take AMS-1001 and WRI-1100 or HON-5101

The course introduces students to law within the context of U.S. culture. Students start with an introduction to the U.S. legal system and then consider selected contemporary issues in the law, from birth, education, marriage and owning property, to end-of-life issues surrounding death. Students learn how law is portrayed in U.S. culture by examining the treatment of law on television, in films and in literature. The course is directed to students in the American Studies Certificate Program and is open to all students.

Typically offered: As Needed

BL-2101 Business Law I (3 Credits)

Requisite(s): BUS-1001, Sophomore standing

An introduction to the law and U.S. legal system; dispute resolution; business crimes; torts; contracts, and sales under Article 2 of the Uniform Commercial Code; consumer protection law of warranties and product liability.

Typically offered: All Sessions

BL-2102 Business Law II (3 Credits)

Requisite(s): BL-2101

Agency; business forms; sole proprietorships, franchising, partnerships, limited liability companies, corporations; securities regulation; liability of accountants; property: personal, real, intellectual; bankruptcy.

Typically offered: All Sessions

BL-2201 Women and the Law (3 Credits)

This course examines specific legal issues as they relate to women in the areas of employment; segregation by gender in education and athletics; health, marriage and reproductive rights; violence against women; treatment of women in the criminal justice system; and sex equality under international law.

Typically offered: All Sessions

BL-2301 The Law of Death and Dying (3 Credits)

This course examines legal instruments designed to facilitate the care of person and property during life, such as powers of attorney, health care proxies and living wills; legal and ethical questions raised by end-of-life issues, including national and state laws on resuscitation, assisted suicide, stem-cell research, organ donation and medical marijuana; and estate planning instruments such as wills and trusts.

Typically offered: All Sessions

BL-2401 Sports and the Law (3 Credits)

Requisite(s): SPM-1001

Cross-listed with: SPM-2080. An introduction to law as it relates to sports management; U.S. legal process and court system; constitutional and anti-discrimination law; the law of torts, contracts, agency, labor, business organizations: franchising, sole proprietorships, partnerships, LLCs, and corporations; antitrust, intellectual property and licensing.

Typically offered: All Sessions

BL-2501 Law in U.S. Culture: From the Constitution to Law and Order (3 Credits)

Requisite(s): Take AMS-1001 and WRI-1100 or HON-5101

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Typically offered: As Needed

BL-2601 Bus & Dei: the Human Rights Lens (3 Credits)

Requisite(s): HIS-1203/PSC-1203 or BUS 1001

This course will introduce students to the fundamentals of organizational and behavioral change through the lens of Human Rights and DEI (Diversity, Equity and Inclusion).

Typically offered: As Needed

BL-3001 Real Estate Law Constitution to Law and Order (3 Credits)

Requisite(s): Take BUS-1001 and BL-2101;

The course is designed to provide an overview of typical commercial real estate dealings that involve transfers of ownership in real property. Various business structures and relationships to hold direct and indirect interests in property are explored in this course. An analysis of financing techniques for the acquisition of real estate and indirect interests in ownership entities is conducted. This course also involves the study of project development activities and financing in the real estate sector.

Typically offered: As Needed

BL-3101 International Business Law (3 Credits)

Requisite(s): BL-2101

This course examines the origins of world legal system and sources of international law; legal risks of international business; resolution of international disputes; world trade law; law of international sales contracts; legal structures of global business; NAFTA and the European Union; international intellectual property, environmental and consumer protection issues.

Typically offered: All Sessions

BL-4995 Independent Study in Bus Law (1-3 Credits)

Individual research and study—including submission of a written report. Maximum two semesters. Requires chairperson approval.

Typically offered: As Needed

BL-5301 The Law of Death and Dying (3 Credits)

This course examines legal instruments designed to facilitate the care of person and property during life, such as powers of attorney, health care proxies and living wills; legal and ethical questions raised by end-of-life issues, including national and state laws on resuscitation, assisted suicide, stem-cell research, organ donation and medical marijuana; and estate planning instruments such as wills and trusts.

Fulfills General Education Requirement: PEM, SEH

Typically offered: All Sessions

BL-5302 Law in US Culture: From the Constitution to Law and Order (3 Credits)

Requisite(s): AMS-1001 for students pursuing American Studies minor
The course introduces students to law within the context of U.S. culture with the focus on contemporary legal issues in the United States. Students start with an introduction to the U.S. legal system, the role of lawyers in the United States and constitutional law. Students then consider selected current issues in the law. Topics include birth (abortion; adoption; citizenship); education (First Amendment issues; bullying under criminal and tort law) and marriage (age; consanguinity; same-sex). Students learn how law is portrayed in U.S. culture by examining the treatment of law on television, in films and in literature (court decisions, non-fiction and fictional writing). The course is directed to students in the Honors Program and is open to all students, including those in the American Studies Certificate Program, with permission of the director of the Honors Program.

Typically offered: All Sessions

BL-6101 Business Law for Acc't Professionals (3 Credits)

The course is open to students enrolled in the two-year Master's Degree in Professional Accounting program. The course starts with an introduction to the U.S. legal environment, court system and the law of torts and business crimes. The remainder of the course is devoted to an in-depth study of the law of contracts, both common law and statutory law of sales contracts under Article 2 of the Uniform Commercial Code. Students will be prepared for Module 26 on Contracts and Module 27 on Sales of the Regulation Section of the Uniform CPA Examination, as well as for the questions related to torts and business crimes, part of Module 23: Professional and Legal Responsibilities, area 4 on Accountant's Legal Liabilities.

Typically offered: As Needed

BL-6102 Advanced Business Law for Accounting Professionals (3 Credits)

The course is only open to students enrolled in the Master's Degree in Professional Accounting program. The course builds on the basic principles learned in Business Law for Accounting Professionals and introduces accounting students to the complex legal issues concerning business organizations with a focus on the applicability to issues facing members of the accounting profession in the United States. Students will be prepared for the following Modules which are part of the Regulation Section of the Uniform CPA Examination: Module 23 on Professional and Legal Responsibilities; (other than area 4 on torts and business crimes, which is covered in the prerequisite course); Module 24 on the Federal Securities Acts; Module 25 on Business Structure; Module 28 on Commercial Paper; Module 29 on Secured Transactions; Module 30 on Bankruptcy; Module 31 on Debtor-Creditor Relationships; Module 32 on Agency; Module 33 on Regulation of Business: Employment, Environment and Antitrust; and Module 34 on Property.

Typically offered: As Needed