

LS 2700 - The Legal Environment of Business

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Caldwell 204 T/Th 9:30-10:45 a.m.

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Note: This is **NOT** a complete syllabus for the class. The full syllabus ***you are responsible for*** can be found at the website provided above. Please access it as soon as possible. All students are required to have a gmail account with photo by midnight 8/21.

OBJECTIVE: To familiarize students with some of the legal, ethical, and administrative considerations which affect business transactions in order to understand the environment in which they operate. Coverage will include the court system, constitutional law, torts, contracts, securities regulation, labor law, employment law, antitrust, environmental law, ethics, and intellectual property.

REQUIRED TEXT: *The Legal, Ethical, and Regulatory Environment of Business*, by Bennett-Alexander, Harrison and Hass (South-Western Pub. Co. 1996).

OFFICE & HOURS: 202 Brooks Hall. (706) 338-2293. T & Th 7-7:45 a.m., 12:15-1:15, and by appointment. It is best to communicate with me by e-mail.

TESTING & GRADING: There will be four examinations during the quarter, including the final. The course grade is determined by adding together the four test scores and dividing by four. Unannounced quizzes or other assignments may be given from time to time as a means of testing student knowledge and providing the **only** opportunity to gain additional points. The grading scale, unless stated otherwise, is 100-94 A, 93-90 A-, 89-87 B+, 86-84 B, 83-80 B-, 79-77 C+, 76-74 C, 73-70 C-, 69-65 D, 64 and below, F. Examinations must be taken when scheduled, as there are no make-ups. Exams are returned in class and grades are not posted. Attendance is taken regularly. **Exams** are scheduled as follows: Th. 9/11; Th. 10/9; Th. 11/6; Th. 12/16 (Final Examination, 8-11 a.m., this classroom). Thanksgiving Break is Tu. 11/25 and Th. 11/27, no class Tu. 12/9, the last day of class is Th. 12/4.

COMMENTS: Students say that it greatly improves performance if they come to class regularly and prepared. Preparation includes reading the chapters and answering the chapter-end questions. Answers to the chapter-end questions are at the back of the book, though you should try to answer the questions before you look up the correct answer. Lecture notes are very important, as are examples given during lectures. They should be included in your notes and notes should be studied regularly, not only just before an exam. Check on what happened in class if you were absent. Academic dishonesty will be dealt with in accordance with University procedures set forth in the publications issued by the Office of Judicial Programs.

The professor reserves the right to modify the syllabus as necessary.