

LEGAL STUDIES COURSE GUIDE – FALL SEMESTER 2020

***** Please Note: This course guide is TENTATIVE.
Certain courses may not be offered in the fall due to
Covid-19.**

Section 1: CORE LEGAL STUDIES COURSES

Required courses for the minor (note: either LEST 301 or LEST 380 may satisfy core course requirement).

CRJU 301-010 **Introduction to Legal Studies** **MWF** **11:15am-12:05pm**
Instructor: Rise

Introduces legal studies as a multidisciplinary field.

LEST 401-010 **Senior Seminar in Legal Studies:** **TR** **2:00pm-3:15pm**
Implicit Bias In Law
Instructor: Wickenheiser

Examines implicit bias in the legal profession and the courtroom. Topics include the meaning and significance of implicit bias, what it looks like in the legal context, why it happens, and how legal organizations and institutions are attempting to address it.

Section 2: INTERDISCIPLINARY COURSES

Interdisciplinary Courses A: Substantive Law Course

One or more of these courses must be taken to satisfy interdisciplinary course requirement.

ACCT 350-010/080 **Business Law I** **MWF** **10:10am-11:00am**
Instructor: Coffin

Formation, use and performance of contracts, including both Common Law and the Uniform Commercial Code (Article 2, Sales). Other topics covered include product liability, negotiable instruments and accountants' legal liability. **RESTRICTIONS: Requires junior status.**

ACCT 351-010 **Business Law II** **MWF** **11:15am-12:05pm**
Instructor: Coffin

Covers variety of areas of law, including agency, partnerships, corporations, unfair competition, debtor-creditor relationships, bankruptcy, secured transactions, real and personal property, wills and trusts. **PREREQ: ACCT350. RESTRICTIONS: Requires junior status.**

CRJU 320-010 **Introduction to Criminal Law** **MWF** **11:15am-12:05pm**
Instructor: Fichtelberg

An analysis of the evolution of criminal law within the larger societal context, and an overview of the basic structure and administration of criminal law in the United States. **PREREQ: CRJU110.**

CRJU 375-010 **Criminal Procedure** **M** **6:00pm-9:00pm**
Instructor: O'Connor

Intensive analysis of criminal procedures that occur prior to arrest as well as after a prosecution has commenced against a defendant, through conviction and appeal. Emphasis is on the constitutional principles of law that impact police processes and a criminal defendant's rights. The course will also expose students to current trends in criminal investigations and trial tactics.

POSC 401-011 **Topics in Law and Politics:** **W** **6:00pm-9:00pm**
Human Trafficking

Instructor: McDonough

Overview of human trafficking, involving labor and commercial sexual exploitation, of both domestic & international victims. **Requires junior status. RESTRICTIONS: May be taken twice for credit when topics vary.**

POSC 401-012 **Topics in Law and Politics:** **T** **6:00pm-9:00pm**
Criminal Procedures

Instructor: Danberg

Critical topics in law and politics. Topics will vary. **RESTRICTIONS: May be taken twice for credit when topics vary.**

POSC 405-010 **Constitutional Law** **MWF** **11:15am - 12:05pm**
Instructor: Batchis

****Students are required to attend the first class meeting****

This course explores the development and interplay of the governmental powers established by the United States Constitution through the study of decisions handed down by the Supreme Court. It will examine the constitutional separation of powers between the executive, legislative, and judicial branches as well as federalism, the manner in which the power is divided between the national government and the states. Like a law school classroom, students will be required to come to class prepared to discuss the assigned cases and materials and will be called on at random.

Note: ALL students who would like to register for this course **MUST** attend the first class. Students who do not attend the first class, including those on the wait list, will **NOT** be permitted to add this course.

POSC 459-010 **Sexuality and Law** **TR** **11:00am - 12:15pm**
Instructor: Rasmussen

Examines the regulation of sexual practices and identities through the law with a specific focus on how the development of political policy and legal norms at the state and federal level reflects changes in sexual norms as a consequence of social movement activity.

POSC476-010 **Election Law** **MWF** **2:30pm-3:20pm**

Instructor: Batchis

****Students are required to attend the first class meeting****

Who has the right to vote or become a political candidate in America, and why? What does it mean to be fairly represented? Can speech be limited during a political campaign under the First Amendment of the U.S. Constitution? What kinds of restrictions on campaign contributions and spending are permissible? What happens when elections go wrong? This course explores the legal rules that govern elections and the political process in America. Some of these legal rules are derived directly from the U.S. Constitution, others from laws passed by Congress or state legislatures. The class will focus on court decisions interpreting these rules. This will involve a deep dive into a wide range of election-related topics including voting rights and representation, freedom of speech in campaigns, redistricting and gerrymandering, the role of political parties and primaries, campaign finance law, and election administration.

Interdisciplinary Courses B: Electives

Together with the substantive law courses above, these courses may be used to fulfill the 12 credit interdisciplinary course requirement.

AFRA 220-310 **The Civil Rights Movement** **MW** **9:55am-11:10am**

Instructor: Trembanis

This course examines African American struggles for freedom, equality, and citizenship from the 1940s to the present.

CRJU 202-010 **Problems of Criminal Judiciary** **TR** **3:30pm-4:45pm**

Instructor: Joseph

Focuses on problems and issues found in the American criminal court system. Includes court organization, the courtroom work group (prosecutors, defense attorneys, and judges), pretrial and trial procedures, and basic criminal law.

****Course meets Social & Behavioral Sciences breadth requirement ****

**** College of Arts and Sciences Group C breadth requirement****

CRJU 203-010 **Problems of Corrections** **MWF** **1:25pm-2:15pm**

Instructor: Kupchik

General overview of the American corrections system and a survey of the most pressing correctional problems of the twenty-first century. Philosophy of punishment extensively discussed. Major emphasis on the history of prisons, nature of the prison experience, alternatives to incarceration, judicial intervention in correctional affairs and evidence about effective rehabilitative programs.

CRJU 345-010 **Sociology of Law** **TR** **12:30PM - 1:45PM**
Instructor: Leon

Analysis of law as a social process in both historical and comparative perspective. Focuses on various theories of law and society and relevant empirical research.

CRJU 450-010 **Prisoners and the Law** **TR** **3:30PM - 4:45PM**
Instructor: Polk

An examination of the legal rights available to prisoners seeking to challenge their convictions or their conditions of confinement. Emphasis on analyzing the capacity of courts to spur prison reform and the impact of court decisions on American penal practices.

CRJU 457-010 **Criminal Evidence** **R** **6:00PM - 9:00PM**
Instructor: O'Connor

The study of the laws of evidence, how they are used in the criminal courts, and their effect on the administration of justice.

ECON 408-010 **Economics of Law** **MW** **3:30pm-4:45pm**
Instructor: Daniel

Effect of legal rules on resource allocation both in and between the public and private sectors. Considers common law, regulation and constitutional rules. **PREREQ: One of ECON251, ECON255, or ECON300 or ECON301.**

EDUC 240-010 **Legal and Ethical Issues in American Education** **T** **5:00pm-8:00pm**
Instructor: Blacker

Explores ethical and legal controversies in school discipline, intellectual freedom, students' rights, moral and citizenship education, and other professional concerns.

FINC 418-010/080 **Seminar in Corporate Governance** **TR** **9:30am-10:45am**
Instructor: Elson

Examines current issues in corporate governance. Topics include executive compensation, shareholder resolutions and board of director ownership and accountability. **PREREQ: FINC311.**

HIST 220-310 **The Civil Rights Movement** **MW** **9:55am - 11:10am**
Instructor: Trembanis

This course examines African American struggles for freedom, equality, and citizenship from the 1940s to the present.

HIST 309-010 **Money, Markets and Mischief: US Business and Political Economy/1865** **TR** **11:00am-12:15pm**
Instructor: Russ

A history of the United States as a capitalist civilization, particularly since the nineteenth-century rise of the modern corporation. Emphasis on business history, business-government relations and the larger social history of U.S. political economy.

LEST 475-010 **Social Science and the Law** **TR** **9:30am-10:45am**
Instructor: Donnelly

Examines the relationship of social science to law and the legal process, how social science has contributed to our understanding of law, and how social science has been employed in litigation.

MAST 674-010 **Legal Aspects of the Coastal Zone** **T** **4:00pm -7:00pm**
Instructor: Firestone

This judicial case-based course examines legal reasoning and doctrines and public policy relevant to the development and protection of the coastal zone of the United States. Use, ownership, control, and protection of resources and the environment in water and land beneath the ocean and bordering thereto; relationships between the states and the federal government in areas of marine affairs; **RESTRICTIONS: Requires permission of instructor.**

PHIL 446-010 **Philosophy of Law** **MWF** **2:30pm - 3:20pm**
Instructor: Draper

Explores basic topics in the philosophy of law (e.g., the nature of law, constitutional and statutory interpretation, theories of criminal punishment), as well specific controversial issues concerning the law.

SOCI 655-010 **Law and Society** **T** **2:00pm - 5:00pm**
Instructor: Rise

Historical and structural development of legal systems. Emphasis on comparing legal systems in various cultures from Roman and Oriental law to Anglo-American legal systems.

SPTM 315-010 **Legal Aspects of Sport Management** **T** **6:00pm - 9:00pm**
Instructor: Staff

Introduces the legal principles of tort law, agency law, antitrust labor law and constitutional law as they apply to the domestic and global sport industry.