

**LEGAL STUDIES MINOR**  
**COURSES OFFERED – FALL 2018**

**CORE LEGAL STUDIES COURSES**

**LEST301-010 Introduction to Legal Studies**

**Rise – MWF 11:15AM – 12:05PM**

**\*Cross-listed with CRJU301\***

Introduces legal studies as a multidisciplinary field.

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**LEST380-010 Introduction to Law**

**Batchis - MWF 11:15AM – 12:05PM**

**\*\*Course meets College of Arts and Sciences**

**Group C breadth requirement\*\***

**\*Cross listed with POSC380\***

This course offers a broad introduction to the American legal system. It is designed to expose students to the demands of legal reasoning and provide some insight into what it may be like to attend law school.

The class explores the sources, objectives, and content of American law, the structure and processes of federal and state courts, and the functions of the various players who make up the legal system. It includes an overview of select substantive topics, such as criminal, contract, tort and property law. Like a law school classroom, participation is mandatory. Students will be called on at random and will be expected to discuss the assigned cases and materials. It is thus essential that students come to class prepared.

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 waiting list, will NOT be permitted to add this course.

This section DOES NOT meet the A&S Second Writing requirement.

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## **LEST401-010 Senior Seminar: Students' Rights in Context**

**Blacker - TR 2:00PM - 3:15PM**

Culminates the legal studies minor by requiring an independent research project resulting in a term paper. Seminar focuses on a specific substantive issue, provides guidance from professor and chance to share ideas and problems with fellow students.

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## **INTERDISCIPLINARY COURSES OFFERED**

### **ACCT350-010 Business Law I**

**Coffin - MWF 9:05AM - 9:55AM**

In your career you will encounter many legal, regulatory and compliance challenges. Business law and compliance obligations are major business drivers that impact strategy, product development and placement. Because regulations impact daily business life, an understanding of the US legal environment is a foundational skill in modern business, similar to accounting, tax or basic finance principles. ACCT 350/Business Law I provides an introduction to, and an overview of, essential areas in the law and business realm.

Covered topics include: US Judicial System, Constitutional Law, Torts, Contract Law, Product Liability, Intellectual Property, and Negligence.

**RESTRICTIONS:** Requires junior status.

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### **ACCT350-011 Business Law I**

**Coffin - MWF 10:10AM - 11:00AM**

See description above.

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### **ACCT352-010 Law and Social Issues in Business**

**Virgil - TR 11:00AM - 12:15PM**

Focuses on the legal environment of business, including objectives of the law, sources of the law, regulatory and judicial process, and effect of government and society on the formation and evolution of the law.

**RESTRICTIONS:** Not open to accounting majors. Requires sophomore status.

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**ACCT352-011 Law and Social Issues in Business**

**Virgil - TR 12:30PM - 1:45PM**

See description above.

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**ACCT352-012 Law and Social Issues in Business**

**Virgil - TR 2:00PM - 3:15PM**

See description above.

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**ACCT352-013 Law and Social Issues in Business**

**Virgil - TR 9:30AM - 10:45AM**

See description above.

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**ACCT352-014 Law and Social Issues in Business**

**Moffa - TR 12:30PM - 1:45PM**

Focuses on the legal environment of business, including objectives of the law, sources of the law, regulatory and judicial process, and effect of government and society on the formation and evolution of the law.

**RESTRICTIONS:** Not open to accounting majors. Requires sophomore status.

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**ACCT352-015 Law and Social Issues in Business**

**McCloskey – MWF 10:10AM - 11:00AM**

Focuses on the legal environment of business, including objectives of the law, sources of the law, regulatory and judicial process, and effect of government and society on the formation and evolution of the law.

**RESTRICTIONS:** Not open to accounting majors. Requires sophomore status.

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**ACCT352-051 Law and Social Issues in Business**

**DePue - TR 5:30PM - 6:45PM**

Focuses on the legal environment of business, including objectives of the law, sources of the law, regulatory and judicial process, and effect of government and society on the formation and evolution of the law. The course provides insight into substantive topics of the law, such as Constitutional Law, Contracts, Torts and Property.

**RESTRICTIONS:** Not open to accounting majors. Requires sophomore status.

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**ACCT352-052 Law and Social Issues in Business**

**DePue - TR 7:00PM - 8:15PM**

See description above.

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**ACCT352-053 Law and Social Issues in Business**

**Pratt - W 6:00PM - 9:00PM**

Focuses on the legal environment of business, including objectives of the law, sources of the law, regulatory and judicial process, and effect of government and society on the formation and evolution of the law.

**RESTRICTIONS:** Not open to accounting majors. Requires sophomore status.

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**ACCT352-070 Law and Social Issues in Business**

**Toole – TBA 12:00AM - 12:00AM**

Focuses on the legal environment of business, including objectives of the law, sources of the law, regulatory and judicial process, and effect of government and society on the formation and evolution of the law.

**RESTRICTIONS:** Not open to accounting majors. Requires sophomore status.

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**AFRA220-010 The Civil Rights Movement**

**Gill - TR 11:00AM - 12:15PM**

**\*Cross-listed with HIST220\***

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

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## **CRJU202-010 Problems of Criminal Judiciary**

**Donnelly - TR 9:30AM - 10:45AM**

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.

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## **CRJU203-010 Problems of Corrections**

**Kupchik - MWF 1:25PM - 2:15PM**

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 nature of the prison experience, alternatives to incarceration, judicial intervention in correctional affairs and the controversy over the efficacy of rehabilitation programs.

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## **CRJU311-010 Capital Punishment and the Law**

**Haas - TR 5:00PM - 6:15PM**

Overview of the law of capital punishment. Emphasizes the U. S. Supreme Court's major death-penalty decisions and the effects of these decisions.

**PREREQ:** CRJU110 or CRJU203

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## **CRJU320010 Introduction to Criminal Law**

**Polk - MWF 10:10AM - 11:00AM**

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

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## **CRJU324-010 American Constitutional History**

**Joseph - TR 3:30PM - 4:45PM**

**\*Cross-listed with HIST324\***

A survey of constitutionalism in the U.S. from the American Revolution to the present, emphasizing these broad areas of constitutional change: the balance of power between the federal government and the states, the Supreme Court's exercise of judicial review, the growth of presidential power, and the scope of civil rights and civil liberties.

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## **CRJU352-010 International Criminal Justice**

**Fichtelberg - MWF 11:15AM - 12:05PM**

Introduction to basic structures of international criminal justice systems including international and transnational crime, international courts, transnational policing, and international criminal law.

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## **CRJU375-010 Criminal Procedure**

**O'Connor - M 6:00PM - 9:00PM**

Intensive analysis of criminal court procedures that occur once a case is actually brought against an accused. Emphasis on trial tactics and procedures.

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## **CRJU450-010 Prisoners and the Law**

**Haas - TR 2:00PM - 3:15PM**

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.

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## **CRJU457-010 Criminal Evidence**

**Polk - TR 3:30PM - 4:45PM**

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

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## **ECON360-010 Government Regulation of Business**

**Butler - MWF 9:05AM - 9:55AM**

Government policies and regulations affect business activity both directly and indirectly. In this course, students will study the economic implications of various regulation mechanisms and analyze the effects of laws on both firms and consumers. In addition, recent developments in antitrust law, environmental regulations, and structural industry changes will be discussed. Relevant cases will be incorporated.

By the end of this course, students should be able to: (1) understand the pros and cons of competitive markets and government regulation, (2) think critically about news reports regarding mergers and acquisitions and understand how antitrust laws relate, and (3) analyze the effects of regulation on various industries such as transportation, news and energy.

The format of the course includes lecture, mathematical problem-solving, group discussions, participation in experiments, and a group presentation. Weekly reading is mandatory, though extra resources to simplify the material are provided. The course grade is primarily determined by exams, homework and participation.

The required prerequisite is ECON 101. Although it is not required, students are strongly urged to take either ECON 300 or ECON 301 as an additional prerequisite. The material is rooted in economic theory, and mathematical problem-solving is an important component of the course. Students who have not taken ECON 300 or ECON 301 will need to put in significant time at the beginning of the semester to catch up; extra reading and resources are provided.

**PREREQ:** ECON101. **RESTRICTIONS:** ECON360 and ECON463 cannot both count for degree credit.

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### **ECON408-010 Economics of Law**

**Daniel - MW 2:00PM - 3:15PM**

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.

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### **EDUC240-010 Legal and Ethical Issues in American Education**

**Blacker - T 5:00PM - 8:00PM**

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

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### **ENGL430-010 Legal Writing**

**Mink - MWF 11:15AM - 12:05PM**

This course focuses on the analytical skills necessary to address a wide range of legal audiences: clients, opponents, judges, regulatory agencies, and legislators. The emphasis is on creating a streamlined prose style that is suitable for any legal-writing task.

**PREREQ:** ENGL110.

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### **ENGL450-010 Legal Argument**

**Mink - MWF 12:20PM - 1:10PM**

This course is geared for students who are planning to attend law school. The first part of the semester focuses on the personal statement, a key component of law school applications. We will

analyze appropriate topics, advanced storytelling skills, streamlined organization, and other elements of the statement. The second part of the course focuses on the mandatory writing courses that students will encounter in their first year of law school. By analyzing court opinions, legal briefs, and other sources, students will create a strong basis for doing well in writing courses and on their final exams.

**RESTRICTIONS:** Permission of instructor only.

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### **HIST309-010 Money, Markets and Mischief: U.S. Business and Political Economy Since 1865**

**Russ - TR 11:00AM - 12:15PM**

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.

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### **MAST674-010 Legal Aspects of the Coastal Zone**

**Firestone - W 4:00PM - 7:00PM**

This course considers the constitutional, statutory and common law governing the legal status and management of the U.S. coastal and ocean zones, although many of the concepts have applicability to a broad range of natural resources such as constitutional takings and endangered species. The course examines the authority of Congress, the Executive (including a primer on administrative law), the Judiciary, Indian Tribes, the States and private parties. The government's role as a trustee of natural resources; public access; coastal development, wetlands and private property rights; and environmental protection are also considered.

**RESTRICTIONS:** Requires permission of instructor.

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### **POSC363-010 International Law**

**Weinert - MWF 10:10AM - 11:00AM**

This course introduces students to international law (IL), broadly defined as "rules and principles of general application dealing with the conduct of states and of international organizations and with their relations inter se, as well as with some of their relations with persons, whether natural or juridical." We will cover a range of topics, including sources, immunity, jurisdiction, state responsibility, compliance and enforcement, dispute settlement, and international courts and tribunals, as well as discrete sub-fields of international law such as law and the use of force, humanitarian law, human rights, atrocity crimes, law of the sea, and the environment. Depending on the text selected, the course may lean towards case law and the application of the law.

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## **POSC401-012 Topics in Law and Politics: Criminal Procedures**

**Danberg - T 6:00PM - 9:00PM**

This course examines the constitutional law of criminal procedure as it has developed through decisions of the United States Supreme Court. Topics of discussion will include due process of law, arrest, search and seizure, electronic surveillance, the right to counsel, self-incrimination, trial by jury and sentencing. Students will learn how to read, analyze and brief Supreme Court cases. In-class participation is a substantial component of the final grade. This course should be informative for any student considering attending law school or for anyone with an interest in our criminal justice system. There are no prerequisites, and no prior experience is required.

**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.

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## **POSC459-010 Sexuality and Law**

**Rasmussen - TR 11:00AM - 12:15PM**

**\* Cross-listed with WOMS459\***

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.

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## **POSC476-010 Election Law**

**Batchis - MWF 2:30PM - 3:20PM**

**\*\* Preference given to upper-class majors \*\***

**\*\*Not open to freshmen\*\***

This course explores the legal structure of the political process in America. Using the case-study method, students will closely read and parse court decisions and other materials addressing a wide range of election-related topics. These include: voting rights, voter representation, campaign speech, redistricting and gerrymandering, the role of political parties, campaign finance law, and election administration. Please note that participation and attendance is mandatory. Similar to law school, students will be called on randomly throughout the duration of each class. Students are required to come to class prepared to discuss the assigned cases and materials.

**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 waiting list, will **NOT** be permitted to add this course.

**RESTRICTIONS:** Must attend the first class. Participation in class is mandatory, as is consistent attendance.

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**POSC476-080 Election Law (Honors)**

**Batchis - MWF 2:30PM - 3:20PM**

See description above.

*Honors students will have additional opportunities to meet as a group with the professor to discuss the assigned materials in greater depth. These meetings may also involve an analysis of supplemental assignments. Honors students will also be asked to engage in, and reflect on, one outside activity relating to the content of the class.*

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**SOCI655-010 Law and Society**

**Rise - T 2:00PM - 5:00PM**

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.

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