



# BUSINESS LAW I – SPRING 2015 (ONLINE)

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### Required For This Class

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1. YOU ARE REQUIRED TO HAVE ACCESS TO A COMPUTER, THE INTERNET AND ETUDES EVERYDAY. (NO EXCUSES)
2. Read & Follow the Syllabus
3. Pay attention to announcements and e-mails
4. Check e-mail and Etudes everyday
5. All emails MUST have the following SUBJECT: **BUSINESS LAW 1 - 8094**
6. Read each assigned Chapter
7. Go to the Modules sections and review the Power Point presentation for each chapter & take notes
8. Participate in the class "Chat Room"
9. Submit assignments
10. Do the EXAMS & ASSIGNMENTS on time
- 11. NO LATE WORK WILL BE ACCEPTED FOR ANY REASON – DO NOT ASK TO TURN IN YOUR WORK LATE. I WILL NOT RESPOND TO SUCH REQUESTS. NO LATE WORK WILL BE ACCEPTED FOR ANY REASON!**

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## Course Description

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This course covers the essentials of the law of contracts: agency, employment, personal property, bailment, sales, and real property in their application to everyday problems pertaining to business and to the individual. Elementary safeguards regarding sales and sales contracts are covered.

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## Students with Disabilities

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Students with disabilities who believe they may need accommodations in this class are encouraged to contact Supportive Services in *HRLC 119* or via telephone at (310) 287-4450 as soon as possible to better ensure such accommodations are implemented in a timely fashion.

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## Grading and Evaluation (1000 Points)

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Chapter Assignments	350 points (7 Assignments - 50 Points Each)
Exam #1	200 points
Exam #2	200 points
Exam #3	100 points
Active WEEKLY Participation in Chat Room	150 points (10 points each week)

1000-900 = A	800-899 = B	700-799 = C	600-699 = D	599 and below = F
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## Course Text

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**Cengage Advantage Books: Business Law Today, The Essentials: Text and Summarized Cases,**

**10th Edition** - Roger LeRoy Miller | Gaylord A. Jentz ISBN-13: 9781133191353

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## Learning Outcomes

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This course will help students achieve the following institutional Student Learning Outcomes:

- A. Critical Thinking: Analyze problems by differentiating fact from opinions, using evidence, and using sound reasoning to specify multiple solutions and their consequences.
  - Assessment: The student will read court opinions and be able determine legal requirements
- B. Ethics: Practice and demonstrate standards of personal and professional integrity, honesty and fairness; apply ethical principles in submission of all college work.
  - Assessment: The student will read the required reading legal ethics and review outlines and summaries to gain knowledge of necessary legal ethics.
- C. Communication: Effectively communicate thought in a clear, well-organized manner to persuade, inform, and convey ideas in academic, work, family and community settings.
  - Assessment: The student will answer discussion questions on an assigned legal topic and participate in class discussions.
- D. Civic Responsibility: Apply the principles of civility to situations in the contexts of work, family, community and the global world.
  - Assessment: The student will do online research on the U.S. legal system and give a written account of what you learned from the experience in online discussions

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## College Policies and Standards

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**Attendance:** Students are expected to attend **all** classes for which they are registered, to be prompt and to remain in class/lab for the entire time. Students who are unable to attend class regularly, regardless of the reason or circumstance, should withdraw from the class. Instructors may drop a student from a class whenever a student is absent more hours than the number of hours the class meets per week. Withdrawal from class can affect eligibility for federal financial aid.

**Dropping a Class:** Students wanting to drop a class should drop online at [www.wlac.edu](http://www.wlac.edu), click "For Students," then "Student Information System." Students who stop attending a class are responsible for withdrawing from the class to prevent being issued a failing "F" grade in the class.

**Special Instructional Accommodation:** If there are special accommodations that you require to be successful in this course, please discuss your situation with the professor. To receive accommodations for a special need or disability, students must register with the Office of Disabled Student Program and Services, HLRC at (310) 287-4450. Tape recording of lectures and discussions will not be permitted without the consent of the instructor.

**Academic Integrity:** Students are responsible for the honest completion and representation of their work, for the appropriate citation of sources, and for respect of others' academic endeavors. When there is evidence of cheating or plagiarism in classroom work, the instructor may assign a failing grade, "F," or zero points to the examination or assignment in which the alleged cheating or plagiarism occurred. Before a substandard grade is issued the instructor will provide the student with supporting documentation of the plagiarism or cheating charge. Instructors have the authority to use plagiarism detecting instruments such as "Turn It In" to detect academic dishonesty. For assistance with classroom projects, papers and assignments, please visit the Learning Skills Center, HLRC.

**Standard of Student Conduct:** Faculty members are charged with responsibility for building and maintaining a classroom atmosphere conducive to learning. Disruptive, disrespectful, or obstructive behavior will be dealt with in terms specific to this syllabus and in accordance with the LACCD Standard of Student Conduct. Select forms of disciplinary action appropriate to the misconduct may be taken by an instructor when there is evidence that the student's behavior interferes with classroom instruction.

**The following types of disciplinary action may be taken by an instructor:**

- 1) Warning- A verbal or written notice, given to the student by an

instructor. Continuation or repetition of the specified conduct may be cause for further disciplinary action.

- 2) Removal by Instructor - An instructor may remove (suspend) a student from his or her class for the day of the incident and the next class meeting. During this period of removal, the student shall not return to the class from which he or she was removed without the permission of the instructor of the class.

Students may refer to the College Catalog or the online student orientation at [www.wlac.edu](http://www.wlac.edu); click "Counseling, Assessment and Orientation," then scroll down to "Orientation" for complete details regarding the aforementioned policies.

### **Electronic Mail**

Electronic mail is the official method of communication for delivery of college information. Student email addresses will be recorded in the college's electronic directories and records. If you need to update an email address, visit [www.wlac.edu](http://www.wlac.edu), click "For Students," then "Student Information System." Once you log in, you can change your email by clicking "edit" at the top of the page next to your email address.

### **Instructional Support and Monitoring**

Monitor your academic progress online at [www.wlac.edu](http://www.wlac.edu) click "Counseling, Assessment and Orientation," then on the DegreeWorks icon, or visit the Counseling Office in A13. For instructional support and assistance with research projects, visit the Learning Skills Center and Library in HLRC.

**NO LATE WORK WILL BE ACCEPTED FOR ANY REASON!**

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Text Reading Assignments

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**DO THE FOLLOWING EVERY  
WEEK FOR EACH CHAPTER**

1. Read Weekly Assigned Chapters
2. Review PowerPoint Presentations, Glossary of Terms, Chapter Review Questions On Etudes In Modules and take notes & study
3. Submit Chapter Assignments by due date – NO LATE WORK WILL BE ACCEPTED - Deadlines are Sundays at 11:00 pm
4. Ask Questions/Answer Questions in the class “Chat Room:
5. Determine if there are any other assignments, for example a Current Event or Exam
6. YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL DUE DATES AND DEADLINES. PLEASE BE CAREFUL!

## SCHEDULE

### WEEKS 1 & 2

CHAPTER 1. The Constitutional Foundations.

### WEEKS 3 & 4

CHAPTER 2. Ethics and Business Decision Making.

WEEKS 5 & 6

CHAPTER 3. Courts and Alternative Dispute Resolution.

**EXAM #1** – CHAPTERS 1-3 \*\*IT IS A TIMED EXAM. ONCE YOU BEGIN YOU CANNOT STOP. DEDICATE TIME FOR TAKING THE EXAM

WEEKS 7 & 8

CHAPTER 7. Agreement and Consideration in Contracts.

WEEKS 9 & 10

CHAPTER 8. Capacity, Legality, and Enforceability.

WEEKS 11 & 12

CHAPTER 9. Contract Performance, Breach, and Remedies.

**EXAM #1** – CHAPTERS 1-3 \*\*IT IS A TIMED EXAM. ONCE YOU BEGIN YOU CANNOT STOP. DEDICATE TIME FOR TAKING THE EXAM

WEEKS 13 & 14

CHAPTER 10. Sales and Lease Contracts.

**EXAM #2** – CHAPTERS 7-10 \*\*IT IS A TIMED EXAM. ONCE YOU BEGIN YOU CANNOT STOP. DEDICATE TIME FOR TAKING THE EXAM

WEEKS 15, 16 & 17

CHAPTER 11. Performance and Breach in Sales and Lease Contracts.

CHAPTER 12. Warranties, Product Liability, and Consumer Law.

**EXAM #3** – CHAPTERS 11-12 \*\*IT IS A TIMED EXAM. ONCE YOU BEGIN YOU CANNOT STOP. DEDICATE TIME FOR TAKING THE EXAM