
BUSINESS LAW

Syllabus

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Business Law

BUSN 251-WWW01

Time: WWW

Three Credits

Prerequisites: Placement into
RDNG-016 (ASCR-016)

Course Websites:

<https://blackboard.mcc.edu/>



What You Need to Know

Course Description

Introduction to basic legal principles in business: the law of contracts, agency, negotiable instruments, banks, and banking. Includes a review of key cases under these topics.

Required Text

Dynamic Business Law: The Essentials (4th Ed.);
Kubasek;

ISBN-10: 125991710X. (WITH CONNECT CODE).

Course Objectives and Outcomes

By the end of the course, you should be able to:

- Illustrate the historical origins of American law and explain the various sources of American law.
- Describe the basic requirements involved in a civil lawsuit, including civil procedure, jurisdiction, structure of the court system, and alternative dispute resolution options.

Assessments and Grading Scale

Assessments

Each week, students will complete assignments online. Students will have practice quizzes and quizzes online every week. Students will participate in online discussion boards covering cases related to the chapters. The instructor will provide a midterm report as well, but if the midterm report conflicts with the score in Blackboard, the Blackboard score controls.

Grading Scale

90-100	4.0
87-89	3.5
80-86	3.0
77-79	2.5
70-76	2.0
67-69	1.5
60-66	1.0
Below 60	0.0

Grade Weights

LearnSmart	15%
Connect Assignments	10%
Practice Quizzes	10%
Short Paper	10%
Quizzes	35%
Discussion Board	<u>20%</u>
Total	100%

- Distinguish and explain various torts and crimes, focusing on the specific elements of each.
- Explain how parties form contracts and describe their respective rights and duties, including specific application to sales contracts under the UCC.
- Describe and demonstrate the application of defenses to contract claims as well as the duty to mitigate.
- Categorize and describe different kinds of property concepts, including real property, personal property, intellectual property and bailment.
- Explain the options for a company's legal form, including corporations, partnerships and limited liability companies; and evaluate which form is appropriate in a particular circumstance.
- Identify and interpret emerging legal trends impacting business.

Work Expectation

The work expectation for an online class is the same as for a classroom-based course. Mott Community College states this expectation as follows:

“Plan two hours of study time for every hour spent in class. There are exceptions, but this is a good general rule. Students making the transition from high school or community college are often unaware of the increased workload expected of them. The benefits of following the rule will be apparent at exam time.”

MCC Study Skills and Workshops, When to Study.

Course Information

All course information and instructor communications will be relayed through Blackboard and Mott email. It is the student’s responsibility to check the Blackboard course and email regularly for announcements and course information.

Attendance Policy

Attendance is taken every week and reported for

financial aid purposes. Excessive absences may jeopardize financial aid eligibility. Students must complete all assignments for the week to count as present.

Blackboard

This class relies heavily on Blackboard. All communications will be through Blackboard and email. You are responsible for taking quizzes and submitting assignments through Blackboard on time.

Academic Integrity

Academic integrity is an important value at Mott Community College. All forms of cheating are a serious academic infraction. A student guilty of plagiarism and/or cheating will receive a grade of "0.0" for the class and the grade will be recorded on the student's transcript. Students giving and receiving assistance in any unauthorized fashion during an assessment subject themselves to this policy.

"Cheating includes, but is not limited to, (1) use of any unauthorized assistance in taking quizzes, tests or examinations; (2) dependence upon the aid of sources beyond those authorized by the instructor in writing papers, preparing reports, solving problems or carrying out other assignments; or (3) the acquisition, without permission, of tests or other academic material belonging to a member of the college faculty or staff."

"Plagiarism is the representation of the words, ideas, or works of another person as one's own in an academic assignment. A college is like a factory for the production of words and ideas. Students earn grades and credits for the valuable words and ideas that they produce. Therefore, it is essential that the words and ideas of all members of the College are protected as their 'intellectual property,' and it is essential that no one pretends that other people's intellectual property is one's own.

Sometimes, people plagiarize intentionally, committing fraud by turning in someone else's work and passing it off as their own. Sometimes, people plagiarize unintentionally because they are confused about how to fairly and honestly represent someone else's words or ideas in their writing. It is the individual student's responsibility to seek instruction in this skill." Mott statement on Academic Integrity (see http://www.mcc.edu/policies/student_acad_integrity.shtml)

Withdrawal Policy

Students who withdraw from college are recommended to see a counselor in the Counseling Center, PCC2030. Students are still required to complete a class schedule worksheet PDF document form listing the classes from which they are withdrawing.



Emergency College Closing

http://www.mcc.edu/public_safety/ps_sch_closing.shtml

810-232-8989

Accommodations Policy

Mott Community College is committed to providing equal opportunity for participation in all programs, services, and activities and adheres to Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act (1973) and the Americans with Disabilities Act, as amended (2008) to provide effective auxiliary aids and services for qualified students with documented disabilities. Requests for accommodations by students with disabilities may be made by contacting Disability Services at 810-232-9181 or on the website at disabilityservices@mcc.edu. Once your eligibility for an accommodation has been determined, you will be issued an Instructor Notification Letter. Please present Instructor Notification Letters to instructors at the start of the semester and/or two weeks prior to the accommodation date (test, project, etc.). Requests received after this date will be honored whenever possible.

MCC Title IX Policy

Consistent with Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Mott Community College will provide appropriate adjustments and/or support to pregnant and parenting students. With medical documentation from a physician, the adjustments and accommodations may include providing a larger classroom desk or a designated lactation room, allowing frequent trips to the restroom, permitting temporary access to elevators, providing opportunities for making up missed work, allowing the student to submit work after a missed deadline due to absences related to pregnancy or childbirth, or providing a leave of absence for a period of time.

For questions about your rights pursuant to Title IX and other non-discrimination related compliance matters, contact the Title IX Coordinator – Chris Enge, Dean of Enrollment, Retention and Registrar/Title IX Coordinator at 810-762-0024 or at titleix@mcc.edu. Note Chris Enge and Chris Enge are not the same person.

Care Team

careteam@mcc.edu 810-762-0439

If you or someone you know needs support, is distressed, or exhibits concerning behavior, help by making a referral to the Care Team. The Mott Community College Care Team is committed to improving the safety and well-being of the college community through proactive and supportive interventions. As your instructor, I may contact the Care Team to seek support for you. I encourage you to fill out a referral if you or a

classmate are in need of help. You may contact the Care Team by filling out a referral at www.mcc.edu/care. In case of an emergency, please call 9-1-1.

Resources

- Writing Center – 810-762-0229 The Writing Center is sponsored by the Humanities Division and provides one-on-one assistance to students, faculty and MCC staff with any writing project, from understanding assignments and gathering information, to developing ideas and tightening documents. We believe that writing is a social process, and the Writing Center serves as a place and catalyst to enable that process. http://www.mcc.edu/humanities/wc_index.shtml
- Math Empowerment Center – 810-762-0178 The Math Empowerment Center (MEC) was established to offer free math support to MCC students. http://www.mcc.edu/science_math/sc_math_empowerment.php
- ITS Help Desk – 810-762-4357 Located in CM 1208 for password reset, Blackboard technical assist, and minor computing technical aid
- eSupport.mcc.edu – Tips and Tricks, Troubleshooting and Tutorials available online for students. <http://www.mcc.edu/eSupport/index.php>
- Library - http://www.mcc.edu/library/lib_onlineResources.php
- Computer Labs - http://www.mcc.edu/its/its_comp_hours.shtml
- Tutoring: http://www.mcc.edu/tutoring/tu_index.shtml
- Learning Center: learningcenter@mcc.edu 810-762-0399
- Testing Center: testingcenter@mcc.edu 810-762-0406

Assignments

Week	Date	Class Theme and Tasks	Assignments	Due Dates
1	Begins May 8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An Introduction to Dynamic Business Law • Business Ethics and Social Responsibility 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review Syllabus • Log On to Blackboard • View the online orientation • Get Textbook (with code) • Log Onto Connect • Read Chapter 1 • Chapter 1 LearnSmart • Orientation Videos • Connect Assignments • Quizzes • Discussion Board 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Initial Post • Two Reply Posts • Read Chapter 2 • Chapter 2 LearnSmart • Connect Assignments • Quizzes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> May 14 May 14 May 14 May 14 May 14 May 14 May 14 May 14 May 14 May 11 May 14 May 14 May 14 May 14
2	Begins May 15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The U.S. Legal System and Alternative Dispute Resolution • Administrative Law 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Read Chapter 3 • Chapter 3 LearnSmart • Connect Assignments • Quizzes • Read Chapter 4 • Chapter 4 LearnSmart • Connect Assignments • Quizzes • Discussion Board 2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Initial Post • Two Reply Posts • • 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> May 21 May 21 May 21 May 21 May 21 May 21 May 21 May 21 May 21 May 18 May 21
3	Begins May 22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Constitutional Law • Criminal Law and Business 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Read Chapter 5 • Chapter 5 LearnSmart • Connect Assignments • Quizzes • Read Chapter 6 • Chapter 6 LearnSmart • Connect Assignments • Quizzes • Discussion Board 3 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Initial Post • Two Reply Posts 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> May 28 May 28 May 28 May 28 May 28 May 28 May 28 May 28 May 28 May 25 May 28

4	Begins May 29	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tort Law • Real, Personal and Intellectual Property 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Read Chapter 7 • Chapter 7 LearnSmart • Connect Assignments • Quizzes • Read Chapter 8 • Chapter 8 LearnSmart • Connect Assignments • Quizzes • Discussion Board 4 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Initial Post • Two Reply Posts 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> June 4 June 4 June 4 June 4 June 4 June 4 June 4 June 1 June 4
5	Begins June 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to Contracts and Agreement • Consideration 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Read Chapter 9 • Chapter 9 LearnSmart • Connect Assignments • Quizzes • Read Chapter 10 • Chapter 10 LearnSmart • Connect Assignments • Quizzes • Discussion Board 5 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Initial Post • Two Reply Posts 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> June 11 June 11 June 11 June 11 June 11 June 11 June 11 June 11 June 8 June 11
6	Begins June 12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contracts in Writing and Third Party Contracts • Discharge and Remedies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Read Chapter 13 • Chapter 13 LearnSmart • Connect Assignments • Quizzes • Read Chapter 14 • Chapter 14 LearnSmart • Connect Assignments • Quizzes • Discussion Board 6 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Initial Post • Two Reply Posts 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> June 18 June 18 June 18 June 18 June 18 June 18 June 18 June 18 June 15 June 18
7	Begins June 19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agency and Liability to Third Parties • Forms of Business Organization 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Read Chapter 20 • Chapter 20 LearnSmart • Connect Assignments • Quizzes • Read Chapter 21 • Chapter 21 LearnSmart • Connect Assignments • Quizzes • Discussion Board 7 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Initial Post • Two Reply Posts • Short Paper 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> June 25 June 25 June 25 June 25 June 25 June 25 June 25 June 25 June 22 June 25 June 28