

INTRODUCTION TO BUSINESS LAW SYLLABUS

COURSE TITLE: Business Law
COURSE NUMBER: BUS 018 13125
CREDIT UNITS: 5
CLASS LOCATION: Online Asynchronous
CLASS SCHEDULE: July 1, 2024 thru August 9, 2024

INSTRUCTOR INFORMATION:

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COURSE DESCRIPTION AND JUSTIFICATION:

This course introduces students to the American legal system with a focus on laws applicable to business. Topics include sources of law, law and ethics, the structure of the federal and state court systems, the litigation process, alternative dispute resolution methods, contracts, torts, agency law, criminal law and process, legal research methods, and the corporate form of business organization.

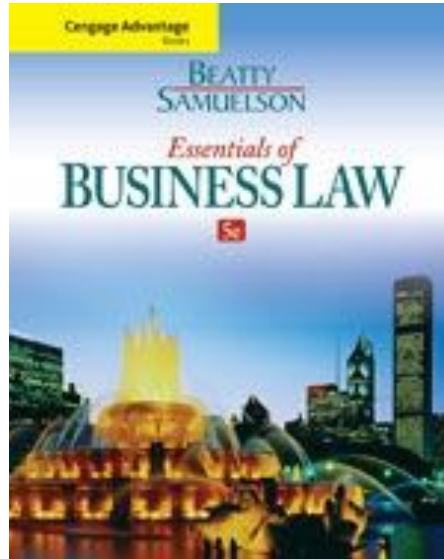
STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES:

By the end of the course students will be able to:

1. Demonstrate a knowledge of basic legal terminology and basic tort, constitutional, criminal, administrative and contract law.
2. Identify ethical issues in a business law context and evaluate factually simple contract issues using basic common law or UCC rules.

TEXTBOOKS:

Betty Samuelson,
“Essentials of Business Law”, 5th Edition, Cengage Learning, 2015.



COURSE PRESENTATION CAN BE DOWNLOADED ONLINE FROM Canvas under “Modules” tab:

Canvas LMS Interface:

- Course ID: BUS*028A*53527 > Modules
- Navigation Sidebar: Home, Announcements, Syllabus, **Modules**, Grades, Assignments, Discussions, Pages, Files, People, Quizzes, Quizzes.
- Module List (DAY 1 (1/3/2017)):
 - 16e_Ch_01_Intro.ppt
 - 16e_Ch_01_Dispute_Resolution.ppt
 - CH 1&3 Homework Assignment
 - Q/A Forum
 - Chapter 1 & 3 homework answers
- Annotations:
 - Red arrow points to the 'Modules' tab in the sidebar.
 - Red text: "Login to course home page, click on 'Modules'"
 - Red arrow points to the '16e_Ch_01_Intro.ppt' item.
 - Red text: "Download chapter materials here"
 - Red arrow points to the 'CH 1&3 Homework Assignment' item.
 - Red text: "Homework assignment is posted here"
 - Red arrow points to the 'Q/A Forum' item.

COURSE REQUIREMENT:

- **Canvas WEB SITE (Class Resource) LOGIN INSTRUCTIONS:** The Canvas Learning Systems is a key component of this online class. You should check it daily. Under the Modules tab is critical information about instruction and exercise requirement. All registered students must use Canvas to access the course homepage:

<https://wvm.instructure.com/login/canvas>

Do not contact the instructor for technical issues. Please refer to Mission College distance learning website below for more details about Canvas:

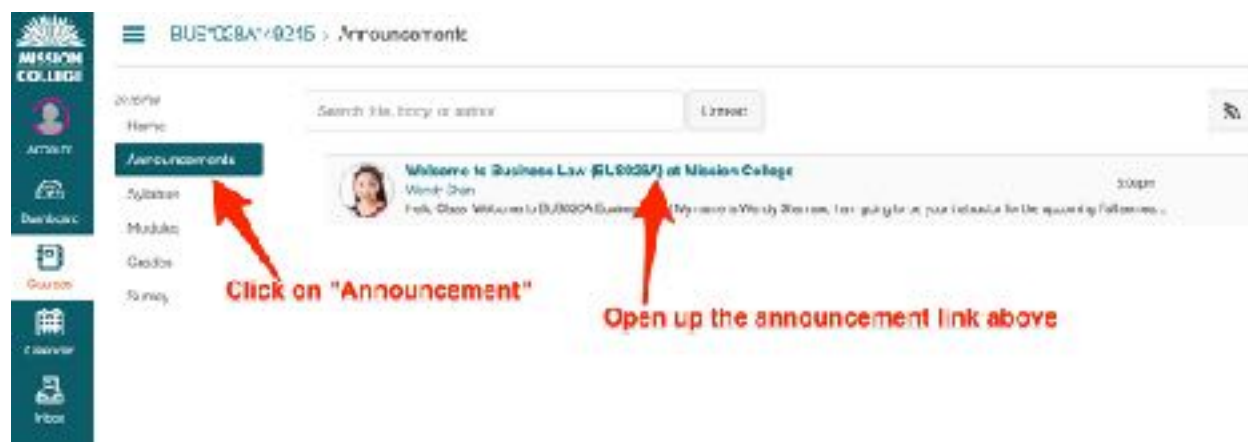
http://missioncollege.edu/distlearn/students_all.html

- You will need to have a stable internet connections, reliable computer, an up-to-date browser (Google Chrome is required during the test), webcam, operating system and additional software such as MS Office on your computer to take this class. Check this Distance Education page for hardware & software requirements. Some of the documents in this course will be available to you in PDF form. If you do not have Adobe Acrobat Reader software on your computer, you can download it by going to:
<http://get.adobe.com/reader/>
- Students are expected to abide by the Student Conduct Rules as described in the Student Handbook. NO cheating is allowed on quizzes, or the final. Students who do not abide will receive a failing grade and be reported to the Dean of EOPS & Student Development
- It is the student's responsibility to drop the class with or without "W". Please visit Mission College's website for important dates.

COURSE COMMUNICATION:

Announcements

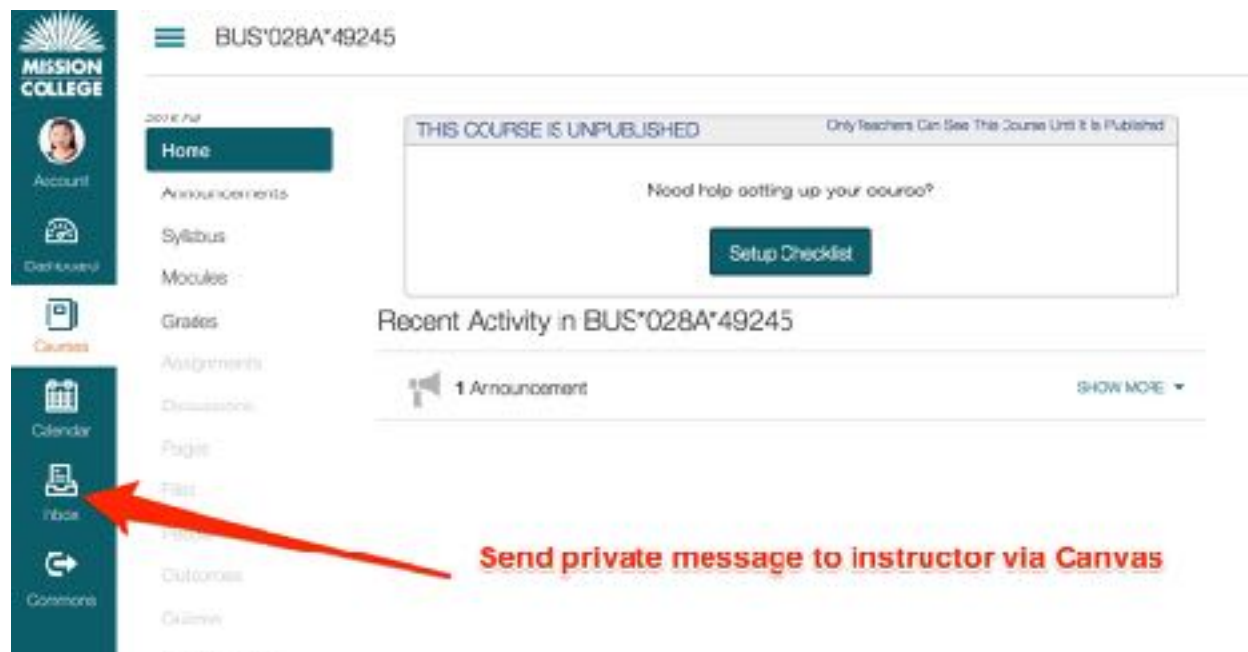
Announcement will be posted by email in Canvas on a regular basis. Please make certain to check them regularly, as they will contain any important information about upcoming projects or class concerns.



The screenshot shows the Canvas interface for course BUS*028A*49245. On the left is a navigation sidebar with icons for Home, Announcements, Syllabus, Modules, Grades, Assignments, Discussions, Pages, Files, Outcomes, and Commons. The main content area shows a search bar and a list of announcements. The first announcement is titled "Welcome to Business Law (BUS*028A*) at Mission College" by Wendy Chan. Two red arrows point to the "Announcements" link in the sidebar and the announcement title, with the text "Click on 'Announcement'" and "Open up the announcement link above" respectively.

Email

In this course we will use Canvas as our main communication tool. Please do NOT send messages asking general information about the class, instead, post those questions in the Q&A FORUM.



The screenshot shows the Canvas interface for course BUS*028A*49245. The main content area displays a message: "THIS COURSE IS UNPUBLISHED" with a sub-message "Only Teachers Can See This Course Until It is Published" and a "Setup Checklist" button. Below this is a section for "Recent Activity in BUS*028A*49245" showing "1 Announcement" and a "SHOW MORE" link. A red arrow points from the "Messages" icon in the sidebar to the text "Send private message to instructor via Canvas".

Questions

In online courses it is normal to have many questions about things that relate to the course, such as clarification about assignments, course materials, or assessments. Please post these in the weekly Q&A FORUM which you can access by clicking the Modules button in the course navigation tab. This is an open forum, and you are encouraged to give answers and help each other.

The screenshot shows a course navigation interface for BUS*028A*53527. The left sidebar contains a list of navigation items: 2017 Winter, Home, Announcements, Syllabus, Modules (highlighted), Grades, Assignments, Discussions, Pages, Files, People, Outcomes, and Quizzes. The main content area is titled "DAY 1 (1/3/2017)" and contains a list of items:

- E5e_Ch_01_Intro.ppt
- E5e_Ch_03_Dispute_Resolution.ppt
- CH 1&3 Homework Assignment
- Q/A Forum
- Chapter 1 & 3 homework answers

Red arrows and text annotations highlight key features:

- An arrow points from the "Modules" button in the sidebar to the text: "Login to course home page, click on 'Modules'"
- An arrow points from the "E5e_Ch_01_Intro.ppt" item to the text: "Download chapter materials here"
- An arrow points from the "CH 1&3 Homework Assignment" item to the text: "Homework assignment is posted here"
- An arrow points from the "Q/A Forum" item to the text: "Post any chapter questions here"

Additional interface elements include a "View Progress" button and a "+ Module" button in the top right corner.

EVALUATION DATE OF STUDENT ASSESSMENT: Grades will be determined from the following assessments:

Weekly Essays

Two Mid-Terms

Final Exam

- **Legal Case Studies:** Discussion essay questions will be posted at Canvas each week. You can access the discussion board by logging onto Canvas, click on the “Modules” tab, open the discussion board, and post your essay there. You are also required to debate two of your classmates' postings in order to earn full credit of this exercise. The weekly discussion will count 40% towards your final grade. You will need to post your own essay before midnight Friday, and debate your classmates' essays before midnight Sunday. No credit will be given to late participation.
- **Mid-term Exams:** There will be two *open-book, close-note* mid-term exams remotely proctored by Proctorio in the middle of the Summer session. **Mid-term #1 covers materials from chapters 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7. Mid-term #2 covers materials from chapters 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 16, and 17.** Exams will be posted in Canvas on the exam date shown below. You have to submit your answers before deadline. NO credit will be given for late submissions. Mid-term Exams are counted as 40% to your final grade.
- **Final Exam:** There will be one *open-book, close-note* final exam remotely proctored by Proctorio at the end of the Summer session. **Final exam covers materials from chapters 25, 26, 28, 29, 32, and 33.** Exams will be posted in Canvas on the exam date shown below. You have to submit your answers before deadline. NO credit will be given for late submissions. Students who missed the exams will not be allowed to take make-up tests. Final Exam is counted as 20% to your final grade.

The grades will be based on the following distributions:

Five Legal Case Studies	8 points each, 40 points total
Two Mid-Term Exams	20 points each, 40 points total
Final Exam	20 points
TOTAL	100 Points

All work must be submitted in order to complete the requirements of this class. Quizzes and Case Studies must be submitted **on the due date** or a zero will be given.

A+	=	99%+
A	=	92-98%
A-	=	90-91%
B+	=	88-89%
B	=	82-87%
B-	=	80-81%
C+	=	78-79%
C	=	70-77%
D+	=	67-69%
D	=	58-66%
D-	=	55-57%
F	=	Below 55%

CLASS SCHEDULE

WEEK	TOPICS	CHAPTER ASSIGNMENT
Week 1 7/1/2024-7/7/2024	Introduction to Law Dispute Resolution Common Law, Statutory Law, and Administrative Law Constitutional Law	Chapters 1, 3, 4, 5 Discussion Legal Essay #1 is due NO LATE SUBMISSION
Week 2 7/8/2024-7/14/2024	Torts and Product Liability Crime Introduction to Contracts Mid-Term #1 is posted on Monday It covers Chapters 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7	Chapters 6, 7, 9 Discussion Legal Essay #2 and Mid-Term #1 are due on Sunday NO LATE SUBMISSION
Week 3 7/15/2024-7/21/2024	Agreement Consideration Legality Capacity and Consent	Chapters 10, 11, 12, 13 Discussion Legal Essay #3 is due NO LATE SUBMISSION
Week 4 7/22/2024-7/28/2024	Performance and Discharge Remedies Agency Law Employment and Labor Law Mid-Term #2 is posted on Monday. It covers Chapters 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 16, 17	Chapters 16, 17, 25, 26 Discussion Legal Essay #4 and Mid-Term #2 are due on Sunday NO LATE SUBMISSION

<p>Week 5 7/29/2024-8/4/2024</p>	<p>Starting a Business: LLCs and Other Options Corporations Cyberlaw Intellectual Property</p>	<p>Chapters 28, 29, 32, 33</p> <p>Discussion Legal Essay #5 is due</p> <p>NO LATE SUBMISSION</p>
<p>Week 6 8/5/2024-8/9/2024</p>	<p>Final Exam is posted at 1am on Monday</p> <p>Final Covers Chapters 25, 26, 28, 29, 32, 33</p>	<p>Final Answers are due at 11:59pm on Friday</p>

De Anza College views disability as an important aspect of diversity, and is committed to providing equitable access to learning opportunities for all students. Disability Support Services (DSS) is the campus office that collaborates with students who have disabilities to provide and/or arrange reasonable accommodations

- If you have, or think you have, a disability in any area such as, mental health, attention, learning, chronic health, sensory, or physical, please contact DSS to arrange a confidential discussion regarding equitable access and reasonable accommodations.
- If you are registered with DSS and have accommodations set by a DSS counselor, please be sure that your instructor has received your accommodation letter from Clockwork early in the quarter to review how the accommodations will be applied in the course.

Students who need accommodated test proctoring must meet appointment booking deadlines at the Testing Center.

- Exams must be booked at least five (5) business days in advance of the instructor approved exam date/time.
 - Finals exams must be scheduled seven (7) business days/weekdays in advance of the instructor approved exam date/time.
 - Failure to meet appointment booking deadlines will result in the forfeit of testing accommodations and you will be required to take your exam in class.
 - Contact the DSS if you cannot find or utilize your MyPortal Clockwork Portal.
- DSS strives to provide accommodations in a reasonable and timely manner, some accommodations may take additional time to arrange. We encourage you to work with DSS and your faculty as early in the quarter as possible so that we may ensure that your learning experience is accessible and successful.

DSS Location: RSS Building, Suite 141

Phone: 408-864-8753

On the web: <http://www.deanza.edu/DSS/>

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