

LEGAL STUDIES (LEGL)

Courses

LEGL 225 LEGAL ENVIRONMENT OF BUSINESS (3)

Examines the nature and sources of law, the U.S. legal system with emphasis on court jurisdiction, procedure, constitutional law, torts, criminal law, and contracts in general and as they relate to business. Core: The United States as a Nation.

LEGL 226 BUSINESS LAW (3)

Law of agency, partnership, corporations, real and personal property, estates, bankruptcy, commercial paper and secured transactions. Not open to students who successfully completed BULA 226. Prerequisite: BULA 225 or LEGL 225.

LEGL 328 CYBER LAW: THE LAW OF THE INTERNET (3)

An introduction to the law of the Internet including security, online transactions, rights in electronic information, regulating information content and regulating online conduct. Prerequisites: LEGL 225; major in ACCT, PACT, BUAD, CIS, COSC, EBUS, PEBU, or minor in LEGL; junior/senior standing.

LEGL 335 EMPLOYMENT LAW (3)

Provides a conceptual and functional analysis of the legal framework of employment relations designed for managers and human resource professionals. Topics include discrimination based on race, national origin, religion, sex, affinity and sexual orientation, age, and disability and other legally protected categories; the hiring process, testing, and performance appraisal; employee privacy; wrongful discharge; employee benefits; health and safety; independent contractors; and labor unions. Students completing this course should be able to understand employment law; comply with laws and regulations; and evaluate rights, obligations, and liabilities in the employment process, from hiring and staffing to compensation and layoff. Prerequisites: LEGL 225; BUAD major or LEGL minor; junior/senior standing.

LEGL 407 REAL ESTATE LAW (3)

Examines the fundamentals of real estate transactions from a legal and managerial perspective. Students will learn the real property legal concepts and how they apply to real property transactions. The course will be of interest to students contemplating careers in law, accounting, real estate development, real estate finance, or banking. Topics covered will include the following: the nature of property, land acquisition, types of ownership, finance, management (leasing and landlord-tenant law); disposition of real property; title and insurance, land use regulation, taxation, environmental law and regulation, and recent developments. Prerequisites: LEGL 225; major in ACCT, BUAD, EBUS, ECON, minor in LEGL; junior/senior standing.

LEGL 413 LAW FOR ENTREPRENEURS (3)

Provides students with exposure to legal issues related to businesses from an entrepreneurial perspective. Students will learn to prepare corporate documents, negotiate legal documents and analyze legal issues across various business disciplines. Students' ability to research and communicate legal principles effectively will be enhanced. Prerequisites: LEGL 225 and Core 9 Advanced Writing Seminar course; ACCT, BUAD, BSAP, ECON major or LEGL minor; junior/senior standing.

LEGL 427 THE ART OF THE LAW (3)

Focuses on the application of the law to real life facts and circumstances. Students will perform a wide range of legal research involving real world scenarios and recursively analyze applicable cases, statutes, regulations, common law principles, and precedents. Students will develop and hone their written and oral communication skills through the preparation of legal memoranda, court briefs and client letters, detailed critiques, and oral advocacy presentations and observations. Though the genre is the law, the practical skills developed in this course reach across all disciplines. Prerequisites: LEGL 225, LEGL 226 and Core 9; BUAD major or LEGL minor; junior/senior standing.

LEGL 470 SPECIAL TOPICS IN LEGAL STUDIES (3)

Course content varies with each topic. In-depth study of contemporary business issues as they affect current business law practices. May be repeated for a maximum of 6 units provided a different topic is covered. Prerequisites: LEGL 225 and a major in ACCT, BUAD, EBUS, ECON, or minor in LEGL; junior/senior standing.

LEGL 491 REAL ESTATE DIRECTED READINGS: MARYLAND REAL ESTATE LAW (1)

Serves as a supplement to LEGL 407 and covers the topics of real estate licensing law, regulations of the real estate commission, real estate code of ethics, and the laws and practice governing human rights and community relations. This course will include MD real estate salesperson licensing practice examinations. Graded S/U. Prerequisites: LEGL 407 (may be taken concurrently) and junior/senior standing and consent of department.

LEGL 495 INDEPENDENT RESEARCH IN LEGAL STUDIES (1-3)

Directed research in specific areas of legal studies. A total of 6 units for any combination of directed readings, independent study and internship is allowed in the legal area of studies. Minimum of 3.00 cumulative GPA. Prerequisites: LEGL 225 and LEGL 226 and department consent, junior/senior standing, BUAD major or LEGL minor.