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BUSINESS LAW-BA226
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Required Textbook (OER): [Business Law and the Legal Environment](#) (v. 3, 2018), an adaptation by Keith Tierney of [Business Law and the Legal Environment](#) by the Saylor Academy. The online text is free and open at bit.ly/ba226text. A print copy available for purchase at the Campus Store. (**Recommended**) A copy is also on reserve in the LBCC Library (green binder).

Supplement to Textbook: [Cases, Statutes, Regulations, and Articles](#) (v. 4.1, 2019). Free and open online at bit.ly/ba226cases.

Other Materials on Reserve in the Library: [Business Law](#) (8th Edition) by Cheeseman; [Essentials of Business Law](#) (5th Edition) by Beauty and Samuelson; [Landmark Supreme Court Cases](#) by Leiter & Mersky; [Landmark Cases](#) by Mauro; UCC Article 2 (manila folders).

Course objectives:

This course introduces the framework of the law as it affects business, including the origins of the American Legal system, how the law operates and how it is enforced. It covers regulation of business, administrative law, (rules and regulations), Constitutional law, Civil (torts) and Criminal law, Contracts, Commercial law, Employment and labor law, Business organizations, Environmental law, Real Property, Intellectual property and Consumer rights.

Class Schedule (Tentative chapter assignment)

Week	Date	Chapter*	Topic	Assignments
1	Apr. 2 Apr. 4	1-3	Introduction, Sources of law, Business Ethics, Alternative Dispute resolution, Administrative Law	
2	Apr. 9 Apr. 11	4, 5	Constitutional law	
3	Apr. 16 Apr. 18	6 7	Criminal Law Torts and crime	Quiz 1(tentative)
4	Apr. 23 Apr. 25	8-15	Contracts Midterm (tentative)	
5	Apr. 30 May 02	16-18 19-20	Sales, Negotiable Instruments,	
6	May 07 May 09	21 22	Holder in due course and banks Secured Transactions	
7	May 14 May 16	23-27 23-27	Introduction to Property	Quiz 2(tentative)
8	May 21 May 23	28 29-32	Landlord Tenant Law Business Organizations, Antitrust,	
9	May 28 May 30	33	Unfair Trade Practices	
10	June 4 & 6	34-35	Employment and Labor Law	
11	Finals June 10-12			

Course grades:

Students receive a letter grade based on the total points they earn during the term.

The grading scale is:

A = 90 -100% of points

B = 80 – 89% of points

C = 70 – 79% of points

D = 60 – 69% of points

F = 0 – 59% of points

Opportunities for earning points are:

	Points
Exam 1	100
Exam 2	100
Group Assignments (see below)	
Quizzes (2)	100 (50pts each)
<u>Total possible points</u>	<u>300</u>

***Chapter reading assignments:**

1. Read chapter(s) before class.
2. Come to class prepared to discuss assigned cases.
3. You are responsible for the contents of assigned chapters whether covered in class or not.

Exams and Quizzes:

Exams are 100 multiple choice questions and Quizzes are 25 true/false questions. If you cannot take an exam or a quiz on the scheduled date you must notify me in advance so alternate arrangements can be made. You must have compelling and documented explanations, in order to be eligible, at my discretion, to make-up a missed exam or quiz.

Writing assignments:

Students will work in groups of no more than 5 and will analyze cases that will be handed out in class or on reserve. The analysis will use the **Issue-Rule-Analysis-Conclusion (IRAC)** method explained in class. The groups will present their analysis in class. Each assignment will be presented in class on the announced due date. These assignments will provide the chance to both apply points of law and to explore ethical viewpoint on current issues. As in any business document, proper spelling, grammar, and punctuation are important. All written assignments must be **typed doubled spaced**, limited to 3 pages and submitted in class on the due date. Written assignments turned in electronically or after their due date receive appropriate point deduction.

Assignments grading:

In-class and homework activities, may be assigned throughout the term. These activities will be announced in advance. Examples of quiz questions and group assignments are similar to the chapter questions. Activities may also be class discussion of current event issues. Symbols for homework: [+ checkmark – 0. **Discussed in class**]. Missed activities cannot be made up without permission.

Academic Integrity:

Students are expected to follow LBCC policies regarding academic integrity as articulated in the Students' Rights Responsibilities and Conduct Policy. (<https://www.linnbenton.edu/faculty-and-staff/administrative-information/policies/board-policies-and-administrative-rules/7000-series-student-services/administrative-rule-no-7030-01-student-rights-respon.php>). You may receive a grade of "F" (failing grade) in this course if you are found to be involved in academic dishonesty.

Accommodations:

Students who may need accommodations due to documented disabilities, or who have medical information which the instructor should know, or who need special arrangements in an emergency, should speak with the instructor during the first week of class. If you think you may need accommodation services, please contact Center for Accessibility Resources, 917-4789 or visit the [CFAR website](#).

Classroom Etiquette:

Please be respectful of your fellow students and your instructor. Refrain from activities that detract from the learning environment. **Cell Phones must be turned off.** Other Electronic devices must be in silent mode, and should not be used without approval of the instructor. **No lectures can be recorded.**

Contacting you instructor:

If you need to contact me outside of class time please use your LBCC email account to contact me (tiernek@linnbenton.edu).

Nondiscrimination Policy:

LBCC maintains a policy of nondiscrimination and equal opportunity in employment and admissions, without regard to race, color, sex, marital and/or parental status, religion, national origin, age, mental or physical disability, Vietnam era, or veteran status. (See Administrative Rule No. E029 and Board Policy Series No. 6090.)

Center for Accessibility Resources:

LBCC is committed to inclusiveness and equal access to higher education. If you have approved accommodations through the Center for Accessibility Resources (CFAR) and would like to use your accommodations in this class, please talk to your instructor as soon as possible to discuss your needs. If you believe you may need accommodations, but are not yet registered with CFAR, please go to <http://linnbenton.edu/cfar> for steps on how to apply for services or call 541-917-4789.

Syllabus:

This syllabus is a guide NOT a contract. Class schedule (topics covered) and assignments are subject to change. Any changes made are announced in class.

It is your responsibility to track your progress in this class, **grades are not posted online.**

Posting of final grade will be on a student basis per administration protocols.