



LAMAR INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

BUSINESS LAW

BUSI 2301 2A1 – Spring 2023

INSTRUCTOR CONTACT INFORMATION

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CREDIT

3 Semester Credit Hours (3 hours lecture, 0 hours lab)

MODE OF INSTRUCTION

Online

PREREQUISITE/CO-REQUISITE:

None

COURSE DESCRIPTION

The course provides the student with foundational information about the U.S. legal system and dispute resolution, and their impact on business. The major content areas will include general principles of law, the relationship of business and the U.S. Constitution, state and federal legal systems, the relationship between law and ethics, contracts, sales, torts, agency law, intellectual property, and business law in the global context.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to;

- Describe the origins and structure of the U.S. legal system.
- Describe the relationship of ethics and law in business.
- Define relevant legal terms in business.
- Explain basic principles of law that apply to business and business transactions.
- Describe business law in the global context.
- Describe current law, rules, and regulations related to settling business disputes

REQUIRED TEXTBOOK AND MATERIALS

- Business Law and the Legal Environment, v. 2.0, By: Don Mayer, Daniel Warner, George Siedel, and Jethro K. Lieberman
 - Available as a free download
 - PDF Format:
<http://www.saylor.org/site/textbooks/Business%20Law%20and%20the%20Legal%20Environment.pdf>

- WORD Format:
<https://www.bookshare.org/download/book?titleInstanceId=613286&downloadFormat=DOCX>

ATTENDANCE POLICY

Attendance is taken from the Blackboard attendance log.

Lack of attendance for more than 2 weeks may influence your grade.

DROP POLICY

If you wish to drop a course, you are responsible for initiating and completing the drop process.

If you stop coming to class and fail to drop the course, you will earn an “F” in the course.

COURSE CALENDAR

DATE	TOPIC	READINGS (Due on this Date)	ASSIGNMENTS (Due on this Date)
January 17	Orientation and Start Chapter 1		
January 19	Lecture Chapter 1	Chapter 1	
January 24	Lecture Chapter 1		
January 26	Lecture Chapter 2	Chapter 2	
January 31	Lecture Chapter 2		
February 2	Lecture Chapter 3	Chapter 3	
February 3	Lecture Chapter 3		
February 7	Lecture Chapter 4	Chapter 4	
February 9	Lecture Chapter 4		
February 14	First Exam Review	Chapters 1-4	
February 16	Lecture Chapter 8	Chapter 8	
February 21	Lecture Chapter 8		FIRST ONLINE EXAM
February 28	Lecture Chapter 9	Chapter 9	
March 2	Lecture Chapter 9		
March 7	Lecture Chapter 10	Chapter 10	
March 9	Lecture Chapter 10		
March 14	Spring Break		
March 16	Spring Break		
March 21	Lecture Chapter 11	Chapter 11	
March 23	Lecture Chapter 11		
March 30	Second Exam Review	Chapters 8, 9, 10, 11	
March 31	Second Exam Online		April 7
April 4	Lecture Chapter 12	Chapter 12	
April 6	Lecture Chapter 12		
April 11	Lecture Chapter 13	Chapter 13	
April 13	Lecture Chapter 13		
April 18	Lecture Chapter 14	Chapter 14	

April 20	Lecture Chapter 14		
April 25	Lecture Chapter 15	Chapter 15	
April 27	Lecture Chapter 15		
May 2	Final Exam Review	Chapters 12, 13, 14, 15	
May 4	Final Exam Review		
May 5	FINAL EXAM		May 9

COURSE EVALUATION

Final grades will be calculated according to the following criteria:

- First Major Exam 33⅓
- Second Major Exam 33⅓
- Third Major Exam 33⅓

GRADE SCALE

- 90-100 A
- 80-89 B
- 70-79 C
- 60-69 D
- 0-59 F

TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS

The latest technical requirements, including hardware, compatible browsers, operating systems, etc. can be online at <https://lit.edu/online-learning/online-learning-minimum-computer-requirements>. A functional broadband internet connection, such as DSL, cable, or WiFi is necessary to maximize the use of online technology and resources.

DISABILITIES STATEMENT

The Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 are federal anti-discrimination statutes that provide comprehensive civil rights for persons with disabilities. LIT provides reasonable accommodations as defined in the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Section 504 and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, to students with a diagnosed disability. The Special Populations Office is located in the Eagles' Nest Room 129 and helps foster a supportive and inclusive educational environment by maintaining partnerships with faculty and staff, as well as promoting awareness among all members of the Lamar Institute of Technology community. If you believe you have a disability requiring an accommodation, please contact the Special Populations Coordinator at (409)-951-5708 or email specialpopulations@lit.edu. You may also visit the online resource at [Special Populations - Lamar Institute of Technology \(lit.edu\)](#).

STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT STATEMENT

It is the responsibility of all registered Lamar Institute of Technology students to access, read, understand and abide by all published policies, regulations, and procedures listed in the *LIT Catalog and Student Handbook*. The *LIT Catalog and Student Handbook* may be accessed at

www.lit.edu. Please note that the online version of the *LIT Catalog and Student Handbook* supersedes all other versions of the same document.

STARFISH

LIT utilizes an early alert system called Starfish. Throughout the semester, you may receive emails from Starfish regarding your course grades, attendance, or academic performance. Faculty members record student attendance, raise flags and kudos to express concern or give praise, and you can make an appointment with faculty and staff all through the Starfish home page. You can also login to Blackboard or MyLIT and click on the Starfish link to view academic alerts and detailed information. It is the responsibility of the student to pay attention to these emails and information in Starfish and consider taking the recommended actions. Starfish is used to help you be a successful student at LIT.

ADDITIONAL COURSE POLICIES/INFORMATION

Students are required to view the recorded lectures, and the PowerPoint files provided on Blackboard.

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