

Information For Course Reference # 11034 in Spring 2020

General Course Information

CRN	11034
Course Title	Law & Business I
Description	The nature of legal and societal institutions and environments, and major aspects of public, private, UCC and related business law. (Junior standing required) This is a hybrid course. The first week in online, the following week is on campus. See on campus dates below.
College	Business
Division	Business
Subject Area	Business Law
Course Number	BUL 3320
Credit Hours	3
Meeting Information	HYBRID class meets on Thursday in-class on the following dates: 1/16, 1/30, 2/13, 2/27, 3/12, 3/26, 4/9, & 4/23 Class : Thursday -- 05:30pm - 08:15pm -- Lutgert Hall 2201

Distance Learning/Off Campus Course Information

Is this a DL Course? This is a hybrid course.

Instructor Information

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Office Hours **Office Hours –**

T/Th on campus meeting weeks.

4:15 pm – 5:15 pm

8:35 pm – 9:55 pm

Online week office hours are 6 to 9:00 online Tues and Thurs.

Other office hours available upon required.

Teaching Philosophy I thoroughly enjoy teaching. I view my role in the classroom as teacher and mentor to my students. One of my strengths is to take complex legal issues and clarify them in terms that are relatable to the non-lawyer. My approach to teaching law courses is to focus on the application of those concepts in the world of business. In other words, I aim for class discussions that put the legal concepts in the framework that students will likely encounter in their future jobs or businesses. I prefer a collaborative learning process where students engage in case analyses and class discussion. I provide timely feedback to the students to reinforce learning.

Conversely, the students must accept responsibility for their learning by being prepared for and participating in class. They must develop and use the study skills necessary to be successful. The most effective motivation is internal rather than external.

Additional Instructor Information Ethics have become an extremely important topic in today's environment. An accountant's only product is his/her service which is measured by his/her integrity and professionalism. It is expected that no academic dishonesty will occur. Cheating on any assignment will be pursued according to the appropriate procedures outlined in the Student Conduct Code. Cheating includes plagiarism on any of the assigned projects.

Email Communication. Please use my email to contact me. I will contact you using your Eagle email address specified on the class list, so please make sure that your email account is active. While

some students may use other e-mail addresses (e.g., Gmail, Yahoo, etc.), I prefer to communicate through Eagle email in order to better protect your privacy. Also, you may stop by during my office hours to meet with me or you may schedule an appointment.

Not Legal Advice: No attorney-client relationship is formed by any communications between a student and the professor. Although the professor is an attorney, students should not ask for help, advice, or guidance with a personal legal problem, and should not send their professor confidential or privileged information. All lectures, discussions, conferences, and any other communications with the professor, whether oral, written, electronically transmitted, or otherwise, are for educational and general informational purposes only, and do not constitute legal advice. Any suggestion of, or response to, hypothetical fact situations are necessarily limited in scope, and should not be construed as legal advice. If a student requires legal advice, the student is encouraged to consult with their attorney.

As of fall 2015, all faculty members are required to confirm a student's attendance for each course by the end of the first week of classes. Failure to do so will result in a delay in the disbursement of your financial aid. The confirmation of attendance is required for all students, not only those receiving financial aid.

In this course the confirmation of attendance will be the completion of the syllabus quiz in Canvas. See the draft "**COURSE SCHEDULE of ASSIGNMENTS and ACTIVITIES**" below. Failure to complete the mandatory attendance confirmation syllabus quiz by the deadline will result in a **3 point reduction in overall course points**.

Course Materials

Required Course Materials

Smith and Roberson's Business Law, 16th edition, by Mann and Roberts

Optional Course Materials

CPA Exam Review Manual for Business Law
Title: Business Law Exam Questions and Explanations (book & Test Prep Software)
Edition: ?
Author: Gleim

Retail Price: ???? may be ordered from www.gleim.com

Course Policies, Learning Objectives, and Agenda

**Grading,
Attendance,
and Other
Policies**

Learning Objective

1. E. ELO1; ALC C/DKS #4-
Demonstrate knowledge of risk
management techniques as they
apply to legal aspects of
accounting.



Assessment Strategy

1. Exams, class participation,
or some other type of graded work

2. E. ELO2; ALC C/DKS
#5-Demonstrate knowledge of
ethical and legal issues as
they apply to accounting.



2. Exams, class participation,
or some other type of graded work

3. C. CLO2; ALC - CS
-Communicate reliable
information.



3. Exams, class participation,
or some other type of graded work

4. K. KLO2: KLO2; ALC –
C/DKS
#1 - Have knowledge of legal
concepts across all business
areas of study.



4. Exams, class participation,
or some other type of graded work

Additional Information

This course introduces the student to legal and ethical concepts that form the foundations of business conduct in the US. It supports the content covered in BUL 6831. It also supports the content covered in the ETS exam used to assess the BS degree program for the college of business.

When assessing the LOs above, if 90% of the students answer 80% of the question(s) correctly the assessment is exemplary; if 80% of the students answer 80% of the question(s) correctly the assessment exceeds expectations; if 70% of the student answer 80% of the question(s) correctly the assessment meets expectations; if less than 70% of the students answer 80% of the question(s) correctly, the assessment is below expectations; and if less than less than 60% of the students answer 80% of the question(s) correctly, the assessment fails.

Week 1	Ch. 1 - Introduction to Law Case1-1 Ch. 3 - Civil Dispute Resolution Cases 3-2, 3-3; Problems 1, 3, 4, 8
Week 2	Ch. 2 – Business Ethics and the Social Responsibility of Business Problems 3, 4, 5, 6, & 9 Ch. 5 – Administrative Law Cases 5-1, 5-2; Problems 1 - 9
Week 3	Ch. 6 - Criminal Law Cases 6-1, 6-2 ;Problems 3, 4, 9, & 11 Ch. 7 - Intentional Torts Cases 7-2, 7-4; Problems 3, 4, 12, 13, & 19
Week 4	Ch. 7 - Intentional Torts Cases 7-2, 7-4; Problems 3, 4, 12, 13, & 19 Ch. 8 – Negligence & Strict Liability Case 8-3; Problems 1, 2, 3, 6, 7, & 10
Week 5	Ch. 9 - Introduction to Contracts Cases 9-1, 9-2; Problems 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, & 9 Ch. 10 - Mutual Assent Cases 10-2, 10-4; Problems 2, 5, 11, & 17
Week 6	Exam 1 – on the above chapters. Ch. 11 - Conduct Invalidating Assent Cases 11-1, 11-4; Problems 3, 4, 15, 21, & 22
Week 7	Ch. 12 - Consideration Cases 12-1, 12-3; Problems 4, 12, 14, & 16 Ch. 13 - Illegal Bargains Cases 13-3, 13-4; Problems 2, 5, 8, & 13
Week 8	Ch. 14 - Contractual Capacity Cases 14-2, 14-3; Problems 1, 3, & 5 Ch. 15 - Contracts in Writing Cases 15-2, 15-3; Problems 3, 5, 10, 15, & 18
Week 9	Ch. 16 - Third Parties to Contracts Cases 16-1, 16-4; Problems 3, 5, 8, & 20 Ch. 17 - Performance, Breach, and Discharge Cases 17-2, 17-4; Problems 2, 3, 10, & 15
Week 10	Ch. 18 - Remedies Cases 18-1, 18-2; Problems 7, 8, 15, & 16 Ch. 21 - Introduction to Sales and Leases Cases 21-2, 21-4; Problems 1, 3, 5, 6, & 11
Week on campus	Ch. 22 - Performance Cases 22-1, 22-4; Problems 4, 6, 8, & 11
Week 12	Ch. 19 – Relationship of Principal and Agent Pages 366 – 368: Distinguishing between and employee and independent contractor Chap 20 – Relationship with third parties

Week 13 and Week 14	Ch. 30 – Formation and Internal Relations of General Partnerships Pages 622 – 630: Understanding various forms of business entities Ch. 32 – Limited Partnerships and Limited Liability Companies Ch. 33 – Nature, Formation and Powers Cases 33- 3 & 33-4 Chap 34 Chap 35 Chap 36
Week 14 and 15	Ch. 43 - Securities Regulation Cases 43-1, 43-4; Problems 1, 2, 3, 7, & 10 Ch. 47 – Introduction to Property, Property Insurance, Bailments, and Documents of Title
Week 15	Chap 48 Chap 49 Ch. 45 – Environmental Law Cases 46-1, 46-2
Week on campus	<u>Final Exam – Cumulative</u>

Attendance and Assignments

Attendance and completion of assignments are considered minimum requirements for all students.

Failure to be prepared for class will constitute an absence. Failure to attend class on time will constitute an absence. More than one absences, e.g., actual absences as well as absences assigned for lack of preparation or tardiness, will result in a reduction of your grade by a letter grade. If you are absent for more than one classes, you will be assigned an F for the course, at the instructors discretion. This penalty assessment policy applies regardless of performance on written examinations and the penalty is at the discretion of the instructor.

The instructor retains the discretion to approve excuses on a case-by-case basis. If you miss class for a medical reason, do not ask the instructor to be excused without written documentation from a medical doctor or nurse practitioner. Participation in FGCU team athletic events is also a reasonable excuse for missing class.

For active and quality participation, the Instructor reserves the right, in the Instructor's sole and absolute discretion, to increase your final grade by a half of letter grade. This adjustment is solely within the discretion of the Instructor. In addition, an absence assigned for lack of preparation may, at the instructor's discretion, be removed if you are called upon during class on a subsequent date and do in fact correctly answer the questions posed by the instructor. Class questions will not be limited to the homework but will also include any material in the chapters assigned.

GRADING:

Each student starts this class with an A.

Exams & Grading

The number of exams are set forth below. The exams will consist of objective, multiple-choice questions or short essay. Note: The final exam will be cumulative unless otherwise notified. The final grade will be calculated in accordance with the following formula based on a scale of 100:

Exam 1 – 35%

Final Exam – 65%

The exam questions will be based on any subjects discussed in class and any assigned reading material (primarily the textbook).

Test questions and scantrons are the property of the instructor/university and are not returned to students. Students may not make copies of test questions. Students are encouraged to review the scantron and test questions during office hours or by appointment. Test scores may be posted on Canvas. Course letter grades are posted on Gulflink in accordance with the Registrar's deadline.

Tests are required to be completed during the designated time allotted. The instructor keeps the tests and scantrons. Tests are closed book and closed notes in class but may be open book and open note at the discretion of the instructor if the exam is administered online. Students may be assigned seats for testing purposes. Tests are timed assessments of learning. Students may not talk with anyone (except the instructor) during the tests.

Grading scale:

A 90-100

B 80-89

C 70-79

D 60-69

F Below 60

Exam Make ups – With PRIOR arrangement and notice, exam make ups MAY be given. However, I require that you use this option only for major emergencies (e.g., illness or death in the family).

- I. Departmental Policies and Resources:
 1. CALCULATOR. Texas Instruments BA II PLUS. NOTE: The required calculator is the only electronic device allowed to be used during class. UNLESS PERMITTED BY THE INSTRUCTOR, THE USE OF ALL OTHER ELECTRONIC DEVICES (phones, pads, laptop computers. etc.) is PROHIBITED DURING CLASS.

2. The schedules for the departmental courses offered (information on semester, day/night, other) are at:
ACG, TAX, and BUL (BS) - http://www.fgcu.edu/cob/acg/acg_annual.pdf
FIN (including ECO 3101) and REE (BS) -
http://www.fgcu.edu/cob/fin/fin_annual.pdf
ACG, TAX, and BUL (MS) -
http://www.fgcu.edu/cob/msacg/grad_acg_annual.pdf

3. Planning for pre-registration and graduation is your responsibility: The above schedules and LCOB advisors, along with the course prerequisite sequences described in the FGCU Catalog and degree program sheets, should assist you in ensuring that your plans are successfully implemented. Course substitutions and prerequisite exceptions will be granted only for exceptional circumstances that are clearly beyond the student's control. Poor or lack of planning is not one of those circumstances.

4. Useful FGCU Resources:
Florida Gulf Coast University Catalog (<http://www.fgcu.edu/catalog/>)
Florida Gulf Coast University Student Guide Book
(<http://studentservices.fgcu.edu/JudicialAffairs/>)
Florida Gulf Coast University Code of Conduct
(<http://studentservices.fgcu.edu/JudicialAffairs/>)

Vision, Mission, and Guiding Principles:

Vision

The Lutgert College of Business will be known for excellence in applied business education.

Mission

The Lutgert College of Business educates and engages students and businesses in a collaborative community. We offer high quality educational programs that prepare our students to thrive in their professional careers.

Guiding Principles:

1. Support the preservation of the AACSB accreditation.
2. Ensure that we continue to add value: to our products (students), our customers (employers and parents), and the community in which we work (FGCU colleagues, accounting professionals, and SWFL community).

IV. University Statements:

Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS)

Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS) provides free counseling and therapy services (including psychiatry) to all FGCU students. Please walk in to the second floor Howard Hall office any week day between 8:30 and 4:30 to schedule an initial contact appointment. Visit the CAPS website at www.fgcu.edu/caps for more information. CAPS offers a 24/7 Helpline at (239) 745-3277 (EAR)

Academic Behavior Standards and Academic Dishonesty

All students are expected to demonstrate honesty in their academic pursuits. The university policies regarding issues of honesty can be found in the FGCU Student Guidebook under the Student Code of Conduct and Policies and Procedures sections. All students are expected to study this document which outlines their responsibilities and consequences for violations of the policy. The FGCU Student Guidebook is available online at <http://studentservices.fgcu.edu/judicialaffairs/new.html>

University Nondiscrimination Statement

Florida Gulf Coast University is committed to ensuring equity and fairness for all University employees, students, visitors, vendors, contractors and other third parties. As such, the University prohibits discrimination on the bases of race, color, national origin, ethnicity, religion, age, disability, sex (including sexual harassment/assault), gender identity/expression, marital status, sexual orientation, veteran status or genetic predisposition with regard to admissions, employment, programs or other activities operated by the University. This prohibition extends to enforcement of Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972. Questions or complaints should be directed to the Office of Institutional Equity and Compliance (OIEC). The OIEC's phone number is (239)745-4366; the OIEC email address is OIEC@fgcu.edu.

Disability Accommodations Services

Florida Gulf Coast University, in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act and the university's guiding principles, will provide classroom and academic accommodations to students with documented disabilities. If you need to request an accommodation in this class due to a disability, or you suspect that your academic performance is affected by a disability, please see me or contact the Office of Adaptive Services. The Office of Adaptive Services is located in the Wellness Building. The phone number is 239-590-7956 or Video Phone (VP) 239-243-9453. In addition to classroom and campus accommodations, individuals with disabilities are encouraged to create their personal emergency evacuation plan and FGCU is committed to providing information on emergency notification procedures. You can find information on the emergency exits and Areas of Rescue Assistance for each building, as well as other emergency preparedness materials on the Environmental Health and Safety and University Police Department websites. If you will need assistance in the event of an emergency due to a disability, please contact Adaptive Services for available services and information.

Student Observance of Religious Holidays

All students at Florida Gulf Coast University have a right to expect that the University will reasonably accommodate their religious observances, practices, and beliefs. Students, upon prior notification to their instructors, shall be excused from class or other scheduled academic activity to observe a religious holy day of their faith. Students shall be permitted a reasonable

amount of time to make up the material or activities covered in their absence. Students shall not be penalized due to absence from class or other scheduled academic activity because of religious observances. Where practicable, major examinations, major assignments, and University ceremonies will not be scheduled on a major religious holy day. A student who is to be excused from class for a religious observance is not required to provide a second party certification of the reason for the absence.

Resources for Faculty General Education

Information on General Education program requirements is available online at http://www.fgcu.edu/General_Education/index.html

Service-Learning

Information on integrating service-learning into the course and course syllabus is available online at <http://www.fgcu.edu/Connect/>

Distance-Learning

Information on distance learning courses is available online at <http://itech.fgcu.edu/distance/>

Online Tutorials

Information on online tutorials to assist students is available online at <http://www.fgcu.edu/support/Approved>

Canvas Learning Management System and Demonstration Site Information on Canvas is available online at <http://canvas.fgcu.edu/> and <https://fgcu.instructure.com/courses/7692>

Library Resources

Main page: <http://library.fgcu.edu/>

Tutorials & Handouts: <http://library.fgcu.edu/RSD/Instruction/tutorials.htm> Research Guides: <http://fgcu.libguides.com/>

Faculty Support: http://library.fgcu.edu/faculty_index.html

Video and Audio Taping of Class Lectures

Students are not allowed to audio tape or video tape class lectures – with the exception of any student that has a documented disability and the OAS determines the best reasonable accommodation for the student is to allow them to audio tape or video tape class lectures. Additional exceptions may be granted in the discretion of the professor. When tape recording is allowed, a Tape Recording Agreement Form must be signed by the student.

Center for Academic Achievement

The Center for Academic Achievement (CAA) provides academic support services to all FGCU students. Students can take advantage of our free peer tutoring and Supplemental Instruction sessions for lower-level math and science courses, as well as workshops to facilitate the development of skills necessary for college success. If you would like to participate in any of our programs, learn about tutoring services, or meet with an Academic Retention Coordinator, please visit the CAA in Library 103 or call us at (239) 590-7906. Our website is www.fgcu.edu/caa.

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