

CUMBERLAND COUNTY COLLEGE

Course: BU 109 Business Law I

Credits: 3

Prerequisites: RD 100, EN 060

Description:

This course is intended to provide you with an understanding of the law as it pertains to business with a focus on the courts, ethics, regulation, and contracts.

Learning Outcomes

At the completion of this course, students should be able to:

- Explain the sources, types, and classifications of law
- Describe the function and jurisdiction of the federal and state court systems
- Identify ways business is regulated by government
- Distinguish between crimes and torts
- Demonstrate knowledge of contract formation and be able to draft contract provisions
- Recognize problems that occur in contract performance
- Demonstrate knowledge of damages and remedies for breach of contract

Topical Outline

- Introduction to Law
- Ethics and Corporate Social Responsibility
- Dispute Resolution
- Common Law, Statutory Law, and Administrative Law
- Constitutional Law
- Torts and Product Liability
- Crime
- International Law
- Introduction to Contracts
- Agreement
- Consideration
- Legality
- Capacity and Consent
- Written Contracts
- Third Parties
- Performance and Discharge
- Remedies
- Practical Contracts
- Introduction to Sales

- Ownership, Risk, and Warranties
- Performance and Remedies
- Negotiable Instruments
- Secured Transactions
- Bankruptcy
- Agency Law
- Employment and Labor Law
- Employment Discrimination
- Starting a Business: LLC's and Other Options
- Corporations
- Government Regulation: Securities and Antitrust
- Consumer Protection
- Cyberlaw
- Intellectual Property
- Real and Personal Property

Text: Beatty, Jeffrey F., Samuelson, Susan S. (2012). *Essentials of Business Law* (5th ed.). Cengage Learning.

Student Assessment: Assessment may be accomplished through projects, portfolios, exams, presentations and/or papers.

Academic Integrity: Plagiarism is cheating. Plagiarism is presenting in written work, in public speaking, and in oral reports the ideas or exact words of someone else without proper documentation. Whether the act of plagiarism is deliberate or accidental [ignorance of the proper rules for handling material is no excuse], plagiarism is, indeed, a “criminal” offense. As such, a plagiarized paper or report automatically receives a grade of **ZERO** and the student may receive a grade of **F** for the semester at the discretion of the instructor.

Note: If you are having difficulty with work in this class tutoring is available through the Center for Academic & Student Success. If you think that you might have a learning disability, contact Project Assist at 856.691.8600 x 1282 for information on assistance that can be provided to eligible students.

Before Withdrawing From This Course

If a student experiences adverse circumstances while enrolled in this course and considers withdrawing, s/he should see an advisor (division or advisement center) BEFORE withdrawing from the class. A withdrawal may cause harmful repercussions to completion rate standards and overall GPA which can limit or eliminate future financial aid in addition to causing academic suspension.