

*******PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS IS ONLY A TENTATIVE DRAFT, NOT THE FINAL SYLLABUS, AND THAT THE COURSE PACK IS IN THE PROCESS OF BEING REWORKED!! ADJUSTMENTS AND CHANGES WILL BE BEING MADE IN THE LAST WEEKS OF 2005!!*******

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LGST 101 SYLLABUS
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Assigned Readings: The substantive readings are contained in a photocopied, bound "bulk pack" available from Wharton Reprographics on the basement level of Steinberg-Dietrich Hall. The current plan is to cut the pack into three parts, the first part to be available at the outset of the semester. Many additional handouts, often reflecting recent developments, will be given out in class. Wharton Reprographics will assess a fee for these additional handouts at the end of the semester. If missing class, students are responsible for making arrangements with classmates to pick up the handouts for them.

Selections For Contracts (Foundation Press): This short book can be purchased at the Penn Bookstore. It will be used in the second half of the course, but don't wait till the last minute to try to purchase it; the bookstore does not wait till the end of the semester to return extra copies.

Exams and grading: There is a separate handout on exams and grading. Be sure to consult it. The midterm will be held during a regular class period in before Spring Break and the final will be held on the day and time and in the location scheduled by the university.

Paper: Students will be required to prepare a paper demonstrating their ability to analyze a legal

issue. There is a separate handout on the paper.

Webcafe: The professor will record what has been covered in class, announcements, and handouts distributed after every class in a file called class records.

Academic Integrity: All work done for this course must respect the principles of academic integrity as outlined in Penn's Commitment to Academic Integrity. Failure to comply with these principles can lead to adverse consequences for students both in this course and in terms of their academic standing in the University. Penn's motto is: "Law without morality is vain," a wise aphorism. Please re-read the principles of academic integrity and make sure that you understand them.

Topics to be covered: The numbered sessions below will be unlikely to correspond to individual class sessions and occasionally may spread to several class meetings. The topics listed will be covered in order, but the length of time that will be devoted to each topic could expand or contract, depending in part on student interest and the length of class discussions.

Note: Unless classes go unusually fast, most likely we shall shift to the human rights material before we complete the material on contracts.

TOPICAL ASSIGNMENTS

INTRODUCTION TO LAW AND LEGAL SYSTEMS

1. Introduction: What is Law?

Readings: Bulk Pack #1, #2, #3.

2. Criminal Procedure: The Fourth and Fifth Amendments; Privacy and Due Process of Law.

Readings: Bulk Pack #4, #5, #6, #7, #8, #9, #10

3. Civil Procedure

Readings: Bulk Pack #11, #12, #13, #14, #15, #16, #17

4. Torts: Intentional Torts and Negligence

Readings: Bulk Pack #18, #19,#20,#21,#22

5 Torts: Strict Liability and Products Liability

Readings: Bulk Pack: #23, #24, #24,#26

6. Property Law – Personal and Real

Readings: Bulk Pack #27,#28,#29,#30,#31,# 32

7. Property Law -- Intellectual

Readings: Bulk Pack #33, #34, #35, #36, #37, #38

8. The Role of Judges

Readings: Bulk Pack #39, #40, #41

9 International and Comparative Perspectives

Readings: Bulk Pack #42, #43,# 44, #45

PRIVATE LAW: ENFORCING VOLUNTARY AGREEMENTS

9. Introduction to Contract Law

Readings: Bulk Pack

10. Terms of the Agreement and Need for Writing

Readings: Bulk Pack

11. The Bargain Theory: Consideration

Readings: Bulk Pack

12. The Bargain Theory -- Offer

Readings: Bulk Pack

11. The Bargain Theory -- Acceptance

Readings: Bulk Pack

12 Termination of Power of Acceptance

Readings: Bulk Pack

13 Legal Remedies for Breach

Readings: Bulk Pack

14 Equitable Remedies for Breach

Readings: Bulk Pack

III. INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS

15 Human Rights and International Law

Readings:

16 Basic Features of the United Nations Human Rights System

Readings:

17 Cultural Relativism and International Human Rights Law

Readings:

18 Current Issues in International Human Rights Law

Readings: