This course is an introduction to law and the legal process. It will help you understand how legal systems work, how lawyers and judges think, how social values impact the way laws are interpreted, and how legal rules evolve to cover new situations. The first part of the course surveys the ways judges think about the law using a variety of topics across the landscape of the law. The second part of the course focuses in depth on contract law so you can understand how the legal doctrine develops in a specific area that is critical to business. The final classes deal with the basics of Agency Law.

The readings are contained in a Bulk Pack you can obtain from Wharton Reprographics. The reading materials for this course have recently been extensively revised; therefore the purchase of used copies of bulk-packs from previous semesters is not recommended.

There will be one outside speaker scheduled at a time and place to be announced. Attendance is a requirement of the course.

Grading will be based on a mid-term and a final exam.

CLASS TOPICS AND ASSIGNMENTS

September

6 Class 1 Course Introduction and Expectations

11 Class 2 Jurisprudence: How Do Judges Decide Cases?

13 Class 3 The Law of Personal Property: What is Possession?

20 Class 5 Real Property: Rights and Constitutional Constraints

25 Class 6 Privacy and the Fourth Amendment

27 Class 7 Privacy and the Law in Daily Life

October  2 Class 8 Torts

4 Class 9 Civil Procedure

9 Class 10 The Jury System

11 Class 11 Contract Law – Introduction and the Need for a Writing

16 MID-TERM EXAM

18 Class 12 The Bargain Theory: Consideration

25 Class 13 The Bargain Theory: Offer

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6 Class 16 Remedies for Breach of Contract: Specific Performance

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