

LEGAL STUDIES 216
Spring 2007
EMERGING ECONOMIES

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Assigned Reading: The bulk-pack for this course is available from Wharton Reprographics. Additional handouts may be provided during the course. The assigned reading must be completed before the lesson for which it is assigned. Please bring the bulkpack to class. Please note that this syllabus may be changed; if it is changed notice will be given in class.

Grading: The final examination will count for 50% of your grade. A midterm examination will count for 25% of your grade. Class preparation, participation and attendance will count for 25% of your grade.

Topical Assignments

Sept. 5; Class 1: Introduction and overview: what is an emerging economy.

Reading: Bulk pack #1

Sept. 10; Class 2: Why do they matter: people, business, and the way the world fits together.

Readings: #2, #3 and #4

Part One: The Process of Change

Sept. 12; Class 3: How do you get there from here.

Readings: #5, #6 and #7

Sept. 17; Class 4: Privatization: techniques.

Readings: #8 and #9

Sept. 19; Class 5: Privatization: the good.

Readings: #10 and #11

Sept. 24; Class 6: Privatization: the bad and the ugly.

Readings: #12, #13 and #14

Sept. 26; Class 7: Rule of Law: what is it.

Readings: #15 and #16

Oct. 1; Class 8: Rule of Law: demand for and rejection of law.

Readings: #17, #18 and #19

Oct. 3; Class 9: Political transformation: democratization.

Reading: #20 and #21

Oct. 8; Class 10: Political transformation: civil society.

Readings: #22, #23 and #24

Oct. 10; Class 11: Success and failure in the process of change.

Readings: #25 and #26

Oct. 17; Class 12: Review

Oct. 22; Class 13: Midterm Examination

Part Two: Business Relations with Emerging Economies

Oct. 24; Class 14: Trade: the nature of trade, and special issues concerning emerging economies.

Readings: #27, #28 and #29

Oct. 29; Class 15: Trade: barter and countertrade.

Reading: #30, #31 and #32

Oct. 31; Class 16: Investment: the nature of investment and foreign investment codes.

Reading: #33

Nov. 5; Class 17: Investment: swaps.

Reading: #34

Nov. 7; Class 18: Corporate governance: self enforcing rules.

Reading: #35

Part Three: Global Issues and Emerging Economies

Nov. 12; Class 19: Corruption: what is it.

Readings: #36, #37 and #38

Nov. 14; Class 20: Corruption: effects.

Readings: #39, #40 and #41

Nov. 19; Class 21: Corruption: control.

Readings: #42 and #43

Nov. 21; Class 22: Film

Nov. 26; Class 23: Human rights: the relationship between human rights and business relationships.

Readings: #44, 45 and #46

Nov. 28; Class 24: Human rights: are they a disguised form of imperialism.

Readings: #47, 48 and #49

Dec. 3; Class 25: Environmental issues: the relationship between the environment and development.

Readings: #50, #51 and #52

Dec. 5; Class 26: Review of material.

The final examination for this course is currently scheduled for tuesday, December 18 from noon to 2:00. Please confirm this by use of the official University postings at the end of the semester.