

LEGAL STUDIES 216
Fall 2008
EMERGING ECONOMIES

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Assigned Reading: The bulk-pack for this course is available from Wharton Reprographics. Readings in the bulk-pack are arranged by class. The reading for each class must be completed before the lesson for which it is assigned. Please bring the bulk-pack 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 40% of your grade. A midterm examination will count for 25% of your grade. Class preparation, participation and attendance will count for 35% of your grade. Class participation includes attending class, *on time*. Class participation also includes evidence of preparation, and thoughtful contribution to the class discussion.

Topical Assignments

Sept. 3; Class 1: Introduction and overview: what is an emerging economy.
Sept. 8; Class 2: Guest lecturer
Sept. 10; Class 3: Why do they matter: people, business, and the way the world fits together.

Part One: The Process of Change

Sept. 15; Class 4: How do you get there from here.
Sept. 17; Class 5: Privatization: techniques.
Sept. 22; Class 6: Privatization: the good.
Sept. 24; Class 7: Privatization: the bad and the ugly.
Sept. 29; Class 8: Rule of Law: what is it.
Oct. 1; Class 9: Rule of Law: constitutionalism.
Oct. 6; Class 10: Political transformation: democratization.
Oct. 8; Class 11: Political transformation: liberalization.

Oct. 15; Class 12: Success and failure in the process of change.

Oct. 20; Class 13: Review

Oct. 22; Class 14: Midterm Examination

Part Two: Business Relations with Emerging Economies

this section of the syllabus subject to revision

Oct. 27; Class 15: Trade: the nature of trade, and special issues concerning emerging economies.

Oct. 29; Class 16: Trade: barter and countertrade.

Nov. 3; Class 17: Investment: the nature of investment and foreign investment codes.

Nov. 5; Class 18: Investment: swaps.

Nov. 10; Class 19: Corporate governance: self enforcing rules.

Part Three: Global Issues and Emerging Economies

Nov. 12; Class 20: Corruption: what is it.

Nov. 17; Class 21: Corruption: effects.

Nov. 19; Class 22: Corruption: control.

Nov. 24; Class 23: Human rights: the relationship between human rights and business relationships.

Nov. 26; Class 24: Human rights: are they a disguised form of imperialism.

Dec. 1; Class 25: Environmental issues: the relationship between the environment and development.

Dec. 3; Class 26: Review of material.

The final examination for this course is currently scheduled for thursday, December 11 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.. Please confirm this by use of the official University postings at the end of the semester.