

LEGAL STUDIES 216
Fall 2009
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. 9; Class 1: Introduction and overview: what is an emerging economy.

Sept. 14; Class 2: Why do they matter: people, business, and the way the world fits together.

Part One: The Process of Change

Sept. 16; Class 3: How do you get there from here.

Sept. 21; Class 4: Privatization: techniques.

Sept. 23; Class 5: Privatization: the good.

Sept. 28; Class 6: Privatization: the bad and the ugly.

Sept. 30; Class 7: Rule of Law: what is it.

Oct. 5; Class 8: Rule of Law: constitutionalism.

Oct. 7; Class 9: Political transformation: democratization.

Oct. 12; Class 10: Political transformation: liberalization.

Oct. 14; Class 11: Success and failure in the process of change.

Oct. 21; Class 12: Review

Oct. 26; Class 13: Midterm Examination

Part Two: Business Relations with Emerging Economies

Oct. 28; Class 14: Trade: the nature of trade, and special issues concerning emerging economies.

Nov. 2; Class 15: Trade: barter and countertrade.

Oct. 4; Class 16: Investment: the nature of investment and foreign investment codes.

Nov. 9; Class 17: Investment: swaps.

Nov. 11; Class 18: Corporate governance: self enforcing rules.

Part Three: Global Issues and Emerging Economies

Nov. 16; Class 19: Corruption: what is it.

Nov. 18; Class 20: Corruption: effects.

Nov. 23; Class 21: Corruption: control.

Nov. 25; Class 22: Review of investment swap and counterpurchase.

Nov. 30; Class 23: Human rights: the relationship between human rights and business relationships.

Dec. 2; Class 24: Human rights: are they a disguised form of imperialism.

Dec. 7; Class 25: Environmental issues: the relationship between the environment and development.

Dec. 9; Class 26: Review of material.

The final examination for this course is currently scheduled for____. Please confirm this by use of the official University postings at the end of the semester.