

**UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA – THE WHARTON SCHOOL**  
**DEPARTMENT OF LEGAL STUDIES AND BUSINESS ETHICS**  
**LGST 101 SYLLABUS – FALL 2015**  
**INTRODUCTION TO LEGAL STUDIES**

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**ASSIGNED READINGS:** The readings consist of a “bulk pack.” I supplement these readings with handouts that I send by e-mail to the students.

**OFFICE HOURS:** By appointment.

**GRADING:**

Classwork	-	10%
Quiz	-	10% (given in the third or fourth week of classes)
Midterm	-	30% (given in the seventh week of classes)
Final	-	50%

**ASSIGNMENTS:**

- Introduction – What is Law, Introduction to Law, Jurisprudence and Legal Reasoning, There are No Secret Books  
Readings: Bulk Pack Nos. 1-4
- Property Law: Personal Property  
Readings: Property Law – Personal Property (51-63); Reading Legal Cases in Legal Studies 101 (65-70); Popov v. Hayashi (71-80); Swift v. Gifford (81-85); Keron v. Cashman (87-90).
- Property Law: Real Property  
Readings: Real Property (147-150); Sturges v. Bridgman (151-155); Borton v. Forest Hills Country Club (157-160); Nome v. Fagerstrom (161-167); The Takings Clause, including Penn Central Transportation Company v. City of New York (169 to 179).
- Legal Process and Civil Procedure  
Readings: Legal Process and Civil Procedure (183 to 185); Everything You Need to Know about the American Legal System (186-191); The Court System (192-193); Jurisdiction (194-202); Legal Process (204-

211).

- Torts  
Readings: Torts (295-296); Negligence (297-306); Negligence and Strict Liability (307-315); Petition of Kinsman Transit Co. (317-321); Soldano v. O'Daniels (323-324); Love v. Hardee's Food Systems, Inc. (325-326); Palsgraf v. Long Island Railroad Co. (326-327); Dukat v. Leiserv, Inc. (328-330); Negligence (331-333).
- Criminal Procedure: Privacy and the Fourth Amendment  
Readings: Privacy and the Fourth Amendment (229); Search and Seizure (230-232); When Can the Police Conduct a Search and Seizure (234-237); Dow Chemical Co. v. United States (239-247); Kyllo v. United States (249-255); Bond v. United States (257-262); Criminal Procedure Hypotheticals (263-264).
- Criminal Procedure: Privacy in Daily Life  
Readings: Privacy in Daily Life (267); Washington v. Chrisman (269-277); Smythe v. Pillsbury Co. (279-282); McLain v. Boise Cascade Corp. (283-287); Reno v. Condon (289-294).
- The Jury  
Readings: Bulk Pack Nos. 48-52
- Contracts: Introduction and Need for Writing  
Readings: Contracts: The Foundation of a Market Economy (377-379); Introduction to Contracts (381-388); Contracts in Writing (389-398); Iacono v. Lyons (399-402); Shane Quadri v. Goodyear Service Stores (403-404); Stuart Studio, Inc. v. National School of Heavy Equipment, Inc. (404-405); Price v. Mercury Supply Co. (406-408); Thompson Printing Machinery Co. v. B.F. Goodrich Co. (410-411); Problem Nos. 1-7, 11, 12 & 14 (413-415); UNIFORM COMMERCIAL CODE ("UCC") § 2-201 (740-742); RESTATEMENT (SECOND) CONTRACTS § 131.
- Contracts: Consideration  
Readings: The Basic Concept (421-434); Angel v. Murray (435-439); RESTATEMENT (SECOND) CONTRACTS §§ 71-81 & 89; UCC § 2-209(1).
- Contracts: Offer  
Readings: Intent to Contract: Offer and Acceptance (443-466); UCC §§ 2-204, and 2-305 through 2-311; RESTATEMENT (SECOND) CONTRACTS §§ 24-33.
- Contracts: Acceptance  
Readings: Acceptance (467-480); UCC § 2-206; RESTATEMENT (SECOND) CONTRACTS §§ 50-69.
- Contracts: Termination of the Power of Acceptance  
Readings: Termination of the Power of Acceptance (481-491); Lyon v. Ad-

graphics, Inc. (493-496); UCC § 2-205; RESTATEMENT (SECOND) CONTRACTS §§ 36-43 & 87.

- Contracts: Remedies – Equity  
Readings: Contracts in a Nutshell (499-506); Equitable Remedies (507-518); McCallister v. Patton (519-523).
- Contracts: Remedies – Damages  
Readings: Remedies (527-538); RESTATEMENT (SECOND) CONTRACTS §§ 347-349 & 370-374.
- Contracts: Remedies – Uniform Commercial Code  
Readings: Damages Under the Uniform Commercial Code (539-542); Laredo Hides Co. v. H&H Meat Products Co. (543-546); Seller's Damages (547-552); UCC §§ 2-711 through 2-715; UCC §§ 2-703/706/708/710).
- Contracts: Remedies – Limitations to Contract Remedies  
Readings: A Note on Limitations to Contract Remedies (553-556); Ericson v. Playgirl, Inc. (557-563); Freund v. Washington Square Press (565-568); Hadley v Baxendale and following problems (569-571); Parker v. Twentieth Century-Fox Corp. and problem 19 (573-579); UCC §§ 2-715 & 2-719; RESTATEMENT (SECOND) CONTRACTS §§ 350-352.
- Contracts: Promissory Liability Outside the Bargain Model  
Readings: Bulk Pack Nos. 74-80; RESTATEMENT (SECOND) CONTRACTS § 90.