

Montgomery County Community College
ACC 150
The Legal Environment of Business
3-3-0

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

Students study the regulatory environment in which business operates and the political, social, and economic forces behind and evolution of the forms and types of law that govern disputes and transactions between individuals (including business organizations). The Constitutional foundation of law and the role played by administrative agencies in regulating business activity are studied including remedies in and out of court. Issues of crimes, torts, contracts, property, business organizations, consumer rights, employment, intellectual property rights, and international transactions will be discussed.

REQUISITES:

Previous Course requirements

None

Concurrent Course Requirements

None

LEARNING OUTCOMES Upon successful completion of this course, the student will be able to:	LEARNING ACTIVITIES	EVALUATION METHODS
1. Discuss legal rights of businesses and individuals.	Assigned Readings Lecture and Discussion Online Textbook Learning Resources Demonstration and Practice	Assignments Examinations
2. Describe the federal and state court systems and procedures.	Assigned Readings Lecture and Discussion Online Textbook Learning Resources Demonstration and Practice	Assignments Examinations

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3. Explain the classification of crimes and their penalties.	Assigned Readings Lecture and Discussion Online Textbook Learning Resources Demonstration and Practice	Assignments Examinations
4. Define contracts, the elements of contracts, and the classes of contracts.	Assigned Readings Lecture and Discussion Online Textbook Learning Resources Demonstration and Practice	Assignments Examinations
5. Apply business law to decision making in one of the following: fair competition, intellectual and personal property rights, consumer protection, liability, or equal employment.	Assigned Readings Lecture and Discussion Online Textbook Learning Resources Demonstration and Practice	Assignments Discussion Examinations

At the conclusion of each semester/session, assessment of the learning outcomes will be completed by course faculty using the listed evaluation method(s). Aggregated results will be submitted to the Associate Vice President of Academic Affairs. The benchmark for each learning outcome is that *70% of students will meet or exceed outcome criteria.*

SEQUENCE OF TOPICS:

1. Law, Court System, Ethics, Social Forces and the Determination of Legal Rights
2. The Constitution as the Foundation of the Legal Environment
3. Government Regulation of Competition and Prices
4. Administrative Agencies
5. The Legal Environment of International Trade
6. Crimes
7. Torts
8. Intellectual Property Rights and the Internet
9. Cyber law
10. Contracts
11. Personal Property
12. Product Liability
13. Consumer Protection
14. Employment

LEARNING MATERIALS:

Twomey/Jennings/Greene. (2021). *Anderson's Business Law and the Legal Environment* (24th ed.). Cengage Learning.

Access to online textbook learning system may be required.

Other learning materials may be required and made available directly to the student and/or via the College's Libraries and/or course management system.

COURSE APPROVAL:

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This course is consistent with Montgomery County Community College's mission. It was developed, approved and will be delivered in full compliance with the policies and procedures established by the College.