



School of Business

Legal Environment BUAD 5315 Syllabus

Wayland Mission Statement

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Contact Information

Course: BUAD 5315 vc01 – Legal Environment

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Textbook Information

Required Textbook(s) and/or Required Materials: Morgan's *BUSINESS LAW* 6th ed. BVT Publishing ISBN 9781-51780-4022 (2020). *The textbook for this course is part of the **Wayland's Automatic eBook** program. You will have access to an eBook and interactive learning material on the first day of class through your Blackboard course site. The cost of this Automatic eBook will be billed directly to your student account when you register for the course. You will be notified via email with access instructions and additional information. If you do not wish to participate in the Automatic eBook program, you will have the first 12 days of class to opt-out of the program (additional details will be outlined in your email instructions). For more information on the Automatic eBook program, visit the Wayland Bookstore [Automatic eBook FAQ](#) page.*

Optional Materials: Perrin, R. (2021) *POCKET GUIDE TO APA STYLE* (7th ed. 2021). Cengage Learning. ISBN-13: 978-0-357-63296-3

Course Information

Catalog Description:

Overview of blackletter law in the traditional topics of constitutional law, criminal law, property law, procedural law, international law, torts, contracts, commercial transactions, business organizations, employer and labor relations, employment law, globalization implications, and government regulations.

Prerequisite: None

Course Outcome Competencies:

- Demonstrate a basic understanding of legal and regulatory processes and legal system as it relates to business organizations.
- Develop the fundamentals of legal research, learn methods of legal reasoning and analysis, and apply these skills in reading law cases.
- Become familiar with the terminology and concepts of Constitutional law, contracts, sales, torts, agency, wills, trusts, property, administrative law, the basic business organizations, intellectual property, and cyber-law.
- Know the different types of business organizations and their advantage and disadvantages and the process for establishing a business organization; go through the formalities of setting up a specific type of business.

Attendance Requirements

WBUonline - Students are expected to participate in all required instructional activities in their courses. Online courses are no different in this regard; however, participation must be defined in a different manner. Student “attendance” in an online course is defined as active participation in the course as described in the course syllabus. Instructors in online courses are responsible for providing students with clear instructions for how they are required to participate in the course. Additionally, instructors are responsible for incorporating specific instructional activities within their course and will, at a minimum, have weekly mechanisms for documenting student participation. These mechanisms may include, but are not limited to, participating in a weekly discussion board, submitting/completing assignments in Blackboard, or communicating with the instructor. Students aware of necessary absences must inform the professor with as much advance notice as possible in order to make appropriate arrangements. Any student absent 25 percent or more of the online course, i.e., non-participatory during 2 or more weeks of an 8-week session, may receive an F for that course. Instructors may also file a Report of Unsatisfactory Progress for students with excessive non-participation. Any student who has not actively participated in an online class prior to the census date for any given session is considered a “no-show” and will be administratively withdrawn from the class without record. To be counted as actively participating, it is not sufficient to log in and view the course. The student must be submitting work as described in the course syllabus. Additional attendance and participation policies for each course, as defined by the instructor in the course syllabus, are considered a part of the university’s attendance policy.

University Policies

Statement on Plagiarism and Academic Dishonesty: Wayland Baptist University observes a zero tolerance policy regarding academic dishonesty. Per university policy as described in the academic catalog, all cases of academic dishonesty will be reported and second offenses will result in suspension from the university.

Disability Statement: In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA), it is the policy of Wayland Baptist University that no otherwise qualified person with a disability be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subject to discrimination under any educational program or activity in the university. The Director of Counseling, Career and Disability Services serves as the coordinator of students with disability and should be contacted concerning accommodation request at (806) 291-3765. Documentation of a disability must accompany any request for accommodations.

Accessibility issues with content in WBUonline courses or in Blackboard should be addressed to the WBU accessibility coordinator, Rick Hammer, hammerr@wbu.edu or call 1-866-547-9192 for 24/7 Blackboard Support.

Student Grade Appeals: Students shall have protection through orderly procedures against prejudices or capricious academic evaluation. A student who believes that he or she has not been held to realistic academic standards, just evaluation procedures, or appropriate grading, may appeal the final grade given in the course by using the student grade appeal process described in the Academic Catalog.

Appeals may not be made for advanced placement examinations or course bypass examinations. Appeals are limited to the final course grade, which may be upheld, raised, or lowered at any stage of the appeal process. Any recommendation to lower a course grade must be submitted through the Vice President of Academic Affairs to the Faculty Assembly Grade Appeals Committee for review and approval. The Faculty Assembly Grade Appeals Committee may instruct that the course grade be upheld, raised, or lowered to a more proper evaluation.

Course Requirements and Grading Criteria

BUAD 5315 assignments	Pts	%		Course Grade	Pts.
Required First Assignment	2	NA		A	270+
Bio	3	NA		B	240+
Unit I-IV Quizzes	100	33%		C	210+
Current Event Analysis (Units I, II and III)	100	33%		D	280+
Final Exam	100	33%		Whoops	279
Total Points	300	100 %		Incomplete*	N/A

The University has a standard grade scale:

A = 90-100, B = 80-89, C = 70-79, D = 60-69, F= below 60, W = Withdrawal, WP = withdrew passing, WF = withdrew failing, I = incomplete. An incomplete may be given within the last two weeks of a long term, within the last week of an 8-week session, or within the last two days of a microterm to a student who is passing, but has not completed a term paper, examination, or other required work for reasons beyond the student's control. A grade of "incomplete" is changed if the work required is completed prior to the last day of the next long 16-week term or 8-week session, unless the instructor designates an earlier date for completion. If the work is not completed by the appropriate date, the I is converted to an F.

Tentative Schedule

Unit I (Weeks 1 & 2)

Week 1 (March 27 – April 2)

- Required First Assignment (2 pts.) - must be completed by end of Unit I's first week, April 2nd (Week 1) to be counted as attending and active in the course.
- Bio (3 pts) - Submit/Post on Bio by Sunday Apr. 2nd.
- Reading - PART IV Ch. 21 – 23, and PART V Ch. 24 - 27
- Unit I Quiz (25 pts.) – complete open-book on Chapters 21 – 27 during and by the end of Unit I's first-week (Week 1) ending on Sunday, April 2

Week 2 (April 3 - 9)

- Read the BUAD 5315 Current Event Analysis Instructions
- Pre- Current Event Analysis (5 pts.) - Submit Draft of first paragraph Introductory heading for the Current Event Analysis (CEA) assignment during and by the end of Unit I's second-week (Week 2) ending on Sunday, April 9.

Good Friday – April 7th: no assignments due on **Good Friday** but course will be open

Unit II (Weeks 3 & 4)Week 3 (April 10 – 17)

- Reading - PART VI Ch. 28 - 30, and PART VII Ch. 31 - 34
- Unit II Quiz (25 pts.) – complete open-book on Chapters 28 – 30 during and by the end of Unit II's first-week (Week 3) ending on Sunday, April 17

Easter Monday – April 10th: no assignments due on **Easter Monday**, but course will be open

Week 2 (April 18 - 24)

- Read the BUAD 5315 Current Event Analysis Instructions
- Pre- Current Event Analysis (15 pts.) - Submit draft of second paragraph Summary portion of the Current Event Analysis (CEA) assignment during and by the end of Unit II's second-week (Week 4) ending on Sunday, April 24.

Unit III (Weeks 5 & 6)Week 5 (April 25 - 30)

- Reading - PART VIII Ch. 35 - 39
- Unit III Quiz (25 pts.) – complete open-book on Chapters 35 - 39 during and by the end of Unit II's first-week (Week 5) ending on Sunday, April 30

Week 6 (May 1 - 7)

- Read the BUAD 5315 Current Event Analysis Instructions
- Current Event Analysis (CEA- 80 pts.) – complete your third paragraph “Critical Analysis” and your fourth paragraph “References” and incorporate your drafts of the Introductory first paragraph heading and your second paragraph “Summary” and submit your final version of your four-paragraph CEA during and by end of Unit III's second week (Week 6) ending May 7th.

Unit IV (Weeks 7 & 8)Week 7 (May 8 – 13)

- Reading - PART IX Ch. 40 – 44 and PART X Ch. 45 - 46
- Unit IV Quiz (25 pts.) – complete open-book on Chapters 40 – 46 during and by the end of Unit IV's first-week (Week 7) ending on **Saturday, May 13th** (not Sunday),

Week 8 (May 14 - 20)

- Review the Unit I – IV Quizzes in preparation for BUAD 5315 Final Exam
- Final Exam (100 pts.): traditional closed-book, timed, but not proctored final exam to be taken during and be the end of Unit IV's second-week (Week 8), and the last week of course ending on **Saturday, May 20th** (not Sunday).

Additional Information

No Late Assignments- To receive credit for any assignment it must be submitted in the course on Blackboard. Assignments will not be accepted after their due dates except by permission from the professor which will only be granted in exigent circumstances as determined by the professor