



Shanghai Jiao Tong University

LA200 Business Law

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Office Hours:	TBD		
Term:	May 27-June 27, 2019	Credits:	4 units
Classroom:	TBD	Teaching Assistant(s):	TBD
Class Hours:	Monday through Thursday, 120 mins per teaching day		
Discussion Sessions:	2 hours each week, conducted by teaching assistant(s)		
Total Contact Hours:	66 contact hours (1 contact hour = 45 mins, 3000 mins in total)		
Required Texts (with ISBN):	Kubasek, (2017) <i>Dynamic Business Law</i> , 4th Edition, McGraw Hill, ISBN 9781259723582		
Prerequisite:	N/A		



Course Overview

The course introduces students to the basic principles and enforceable rules of conduct that govern commercial relationships. These rules and responsibilities provide the stability required in a thriving market economy. This course highlights the important legal principles that affect day-to-day business transactions.

Learning Outcomes / Course Goals

Students successfully completing this course will be able:

- A. To understand the basic functions and jurisdictional requirements of state and federal courts
- B. To understand various legal systems including common law and civil law
- C. To distinguish between civil, criminal & statutory law, substantive and procedural law
- D. To develop and refine critical thinking skills including legal reading, writing and application of law to facts
- E. To understand and apply the tort law, contract law, the Uniform Commercial Code (UCC), Contracts for the Sale of International Goods (CISG), and employment and labor law to business transactions
- F. To effectively use alternative dispute resolution and peacemaking skills
- G. To develop a plan for personal and business litigation avoidance

Grading Policy

Class Participation	10%
Written Assignment	30%
Final Examination	60%



Grading Scale is as follows:

Number grade	Letter grade	GPA
90-100	A	4
85-89	A-	3.7
80-84	B+	3.3
75-79	B	3
70-74	B-	2.7
67-69	C+	2.3
65-66	C	2
62-64	C-	1.7
60-61	D	1
≤59	F (Failure)	0



Class Schedule (Subject to Change)

Date	Topics	Chapter
Day 1	An Introduction to Dynamic Business Law	Chapter 1
Day 2	The U.S. Legal System	Chapter 3
Day 3	Alternative Dispute Resolution	Chapter 4
Day 4	Constitutional Principles	Chapter 5
Day 5	Tort Law: Intentional Torts	Chapter 8
Day 6	Negligence and Strict Liability	Chapter 9
Day 7	Product Liability	Chapter 10
Day 8	Introduction to Contracts	Chapter 13
Day 9	Agreement	Chapter 14
Day 10	Consideration	Chapter 15
Day 11	Capacity and Legality	Chapter 16
Day 12	Legal Assent	Chapter 17
Day 13	Contracts in Writing	Chapter 18
Day 14	Third-Party Rights to Contracts	Chapter 19
Day 15	Discharge and Remedies	Chapter 20
Day 16	Introduction to Sales and Lease Contracts	Chapter 21
Day 17	Form Of Business Organization	Chapter 35
Day 18	Employment and Labor Law	Chapter 42
Day 19	Summary	
Day 20	Final Exam	