



Shanghai Jiao Tong University

LA200 Business Law

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



Module description, aims and objectives

This module will assess the principles and enforceable rules which govern the commercial relationships. In particular, we will discuss the rules and responsibilities which provide the stability required in a growing and thriving market economy. This module will highlight the essential legal items which affect the day-to-day business conducts and transactions.

By the end of the unit, students should:

1. Have a good understanding of the basic functions and jurisdictional requirements of business law in a dynamic market (e.g. the key market players and their rights/obligations, the principal forms of business organizations, and dispute resolution).
2. Be able to understand various legal systems, including the common law and the civil law families.
3. Be able to distinguish between civil, criminal and statutory law; also between substantive and procedural law.
4. Have a critical understanding of the key aspects of business relationships, especially from the interdisciplinary and comparative perspectives.
5. Be able to develop and refine critical thinking and analysis skills, including reading, writing and application of legal knowledge to practical cases.

Teaching and Reading Lists

The method of teaching is by way of 20 two-hour lectures. The core text book is as set above.

Students will be given reading lists in advance of each session with core questions for consideration.



Assessment

This module will be assessed by participation (10%), presentation (30%) and the final exam (60%).

Grading policy and scale is as follows:

Class Participation	10%
Presentation	30%
Final Examination	60%

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

Week	Date	Topics
1	27 May 2019	Introduction to Business Law
1	28 May 2019	Law Families and the U.S. Legal System
1	29 May 2019	Business, Law, Ethics and Community
1	30 May 2019	Alternative Dispute Resolution
2	3 June 2019	Constitutional Principles and Tort Law
2	4 June 2019	Negligence and Strict Liability
2	5 June 2019	Product Liability
2	6 June 2019	Intellectual Property: Introduction
3	10 June 2019	Introduction to Contracts
3	11 June 2019	Principles of Contracts
3	12 June 2019	Third-Party Rights to Contracts
3	13 June 2019	Contracts in Writing
4	17 June 2019	International Sales of Good and Carriages (1)
4	18 June 2019	International Sales of Good and Carriages (2)

4	19 June 2019	Forms of Business Organizations
4	20 June 2019	Corporations: A Comparative Perspective
5	24 June 2019	Employment and Labour Law
5	25 June 2019	Consumer Law and Market Disciplines
5	26 June 2019	Presentation
5	27 June 2019	Final Exam