Business Law (BLAW)

Courses

BLAW 261 Business Law I* (3 Hours)

Prerequisites: (RDG 096 or RDG 126) or College Reading Readiness or department approval.

This course introduces students to the organization and structure of the American legal system as it applies to business. Upon successful completion of this course, students should be able to identify potential legal problems in their businesses and recognize when to engage the services of an attorney. The application of legal ethics to business situations will be covered. The distinction between criminal law and civil tort law, and how to apply criminal law and civil law to factual situations involving businesses, will be taught. The common law and Article 2 of the Uniform Commercial Code will be applied to contracts. Intellectual property, the principles of agency, and the different forms of business organizations will be introduced.

BLAW 263 Business Law II* (3 Hours)

Prerequisites: BLAW 261 with a grade of "C" or higher or department approval.

A continuation of Business Law I, this course teaches students the principles of property, secured transactions, business formation, corporate law, and administrative law. Upon successful completion of this course, students should be able to identify potential legal problems in their businesses and recognize when to engage the services of an attorney. Concepts of real property, personal property, bailments, estates and trusts, and insurance law will be covered. The formation, operation, and dissolution of the different business forms will be taught. The principles of bankruptcy law, professional responsibility, shareholders' rights, employment law, and environmental law will be introduced.