SYLLABUS--FINANCE 270
LEGAL AND SOCIAL ENVIRONMENT OF BUSINESS
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CLASSROOM LOCATION AND CLASS TIMES: AG 102, 9:35-10:50 a.m. T/Th.

OFFICE LOCATION AND HOURS: My office is 134 Rehn Hall, (The College of Business Building), and my Office Hours will be Tuesdays and Thursdays, 11:00 AM till 12:00 Noon or, if you need to meet with me at some other time, call me or see me in class to set up an appointment.

COURSE DESCRIPTION: An examination of the legal, social, and political forces that influence business and business men and women. Particular attention will be paid to the role of law as an agency of social control in the modern business society. PREREQUISITE: sophomore standing business major or consent of department.

COURSE OBJECTIVES: THE STUDENT WILL BE ABLE TO:
1. Identify and understand the fundamental aspects of our legal system, including the U.S. Constitution, Federal and state statutes, common law, civil and criminal procedure, and arbitration and mediation.
2. Identify fundamental legal procedures and administrative practices commonly encountered by American business and industry.
3. Define and understand business legal terms and procedures as they apply to American business and industry.
4. Describe various business crimes, torts, property rights, business organizations, contract rights and obligations, and administrative rules and regulations that are common to American business and industry.
5. Differentiate between private and public agency enforcement of legal rights.

TESTS AND GRADING: There will be four (4) non-cumulative Exams over the handouts, text materials, lectures, and class discussions. All Exams will be made up of True-False, Multiple Choice, Matching, and possible short answer questions. All exams are Scan-tron graded. Each Exam will be worth 100 Points. Total available points: 400.

During the semester there will be eight (8) "POP" Quizzes over the reading material assigned for class that day. Each quiz will be worth ten (10) points and your lowest quiz Score will be dropped. No make up quizzes allowed. Quizzes can be given at the beginning or the end of class. Total available points: 70.

ATTENDANCE. Good attendance is essential to the learning experience. Most students who routinely miss class do poorly on the exams and receive lower grades than other students. Although daily class attendance will not be taken, your failure to come to class will show up because of your missed quizzes and poor performance on your exams.
GRADING WILL BE DETERMINED AS FOLLOWS:
A--90% or more of the available points;  B--80% TO 89% of the available points;
C--70% TO 79% of the available points;  D--60% TO 69% of the available points
F--59% and fewer of the available points

MISSING EXAMS: Rescheduling of exams will only be allowed for acceptable excused absences when absolutely necessary and only one common make-up exam time will be offered for each exam. Acceptable excused absences include, but at the instructor’s discretion, are not limited to: illness of student serious enough to require a doctor’s visit, serious illness or death of an immediate family member. All excused absences must be substantiated by written documentation.

ACADEMIC DISHONESTY: The University's policies regarding cheating and plagiarism by students will be strictly followed by the Instructor. Students who are caught cheating will have their quiz or exam taken from them and they will receive a grade of "F" on that quiz or exam and they risk receiving a grade of "F" in the class.

CLASS WITHDRAWAL DEADLINES: (go online for the SIU-C Spring, 2014 Schedule of Classes)

EMERGENCY PROCEEDURES: SIU-C is committed to providing a safe and healthy environment for work and study. Because some health and safety concerns are beyond our control, we ask that you become familiar with the SIU-C Emergency Response Plan and Building Emergency Response Team (BERT) program. Emergency Response information is available on posters in buildings on campus, on the BERT’s website at www.bert.siu.edu, the Department of Public Safety’s website www.dps.siu.edu (disaster drop down) and the Emergency Response Guidelines pamphlet. Know how to respond to each type of disaster. Instructors will provide guidance and directions to students in the classroom in the event of an emergency affecting your location. It is important that you follow these instructions and stay with your instructor during an evacuation or sheltering emergency. The Building Emergency Response Team will provide assistance to your instructor in evacuating the building or sheltering within the facility.

TENTATIVE EXAM & CLASS SCHEDULE: (Dates subject to change with notice.)

FIRST EXAM over chapters 1, 3, 4, and 5—February 11th
SECOND EXAM over chapters 6, 7, and 15—March 6th
THIRD EXAM over chapters 8, 9, 10, and 14—April 15th
FOURTH EXAM over chapters 18, 20, & 21— May 8th.
TENTATIVE DAY-BY-DAY CLASS SCHEDULE
1/14--Introduction & Ch. 1
1/16--Ch. 1
1/21--Ch. 3
1/23--Ch. 3 (last day to withdraw and receive refund is 1/26)
1/28--Ch. 4
1/30---Ch. 4
2/4--Ch. 5
2/6--Ch. 5
2/11--FIRST EXAM
2/13--Ch. 6
2/18--Ch. 6
2/20--Ch. 7
2/25--Ch. 7
2/27--Ch. 15
3/4--Ch. 15
3/6 -- SECOND EXAM
3/11—Spring Break
3/13--Spring Break
3/18— 8
3/20 -- 8
3/25--Ch. 9
3/27--Ch. 9  (last day to withdraw with a “W” grade – no refund is 3/30)
4/1--Ch. 10
4/3--Ch. 10
4/8--Ch. 14
4/10--Ch. 14
4/15--THIRD EXAM
4/17--Ch. 20
4/22--Ch. 20
4/24--Ch. 21
4/29--Ch. 21 & 18
5/1— Ch 18
FOURTH EXAM--During Finals Week—Thursday, May 8, 2014, 10:10 a.m.-- 12:10 a.m.