

## LAW UPPERCLASS ELECTIVES (2) (2LAW)

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### **2LAW 2070 Business Enterprises (4)**

This four-credit course will cover the legal architecture of certain business enterprises (including partnerships, corporations, and limited liability companies), how business enterprises are financed, how control and managerial authority are allocated within a business enterprise, and the scope of the fiduciary duties owed to a business enterprise and its owners in routine and fundamental transactions. This course will also cover aspects of federal securities law affecting the governance of business enterprises, including antifraud rules and insider trading.

### **2LAW 2080 Business Literacy for Lawyers (1)**

This minicourse introduces essential business concepts for law students without a background in accounting, finance, or economics. We will cover how business managers measure and report financial performance, how companies decide to raise capital, and how markets value companies and their securities. By the end of the course, students should be able to identify and interpret key information in a public company's annual report and discuss its legal implications. The course will be graded Pass/C/Fail based on a final in-class exam.

### **2LAW 2110 Civil Law Property II (3)**

This course covers institutions of property law not covered in the first-year Civil Law Property course. It includes analysis of the notion, function, and structure of real rights in civil law jurisdictions; actions for the protection of the ownership and possession of movables and immovables; boundary actions; dismemberments of ownership, such as personal servitudes (usufruct, habitation, rights of use), predial servitudes, and building restrictions in subdivision developments.

### **2LAW 2300 Con Crim Pro: Investigatn (3)**

This is a constitutional law course focusing on those aspects of the Bill of Rights that apply to the rights of suspects and defendants in the investigative phases of the criminal justice system. Specifically, we will be studying United States Supreme Court case law interpreting the Fourth, Fifth and Sixth Amendments. The course is recommended for the Juvenile Law Clinic and is one of the recommended courses for the Criminal Litigation Clinic.

### **2LAW 2400 Evidence (3)**

The focus of this course is on the law and policy considerations surrounding the proof of facts (and law) in judicial proceedings. We will be studying the Federal Rules of Evidence, as most states have adopted these rules wholesale or in large part. We will cover issues of relevance and of reliability, the two main concerns of the Rules.

### **2LAW 2530 Income Taxation (3)**

Practicing lawyers, regardless of their area of expertise, need a basic understanding of federal income tax because this tax affects so much of modern American life. This course covers the fundamentals of federal income taxation of individuals. It provides a basic understanding of the structure and vocabulary of the tax statute and of the relationship of the statute to regulations, other administrative pronouncements, and case law. The course introduces students to key concepts and issues in individual federal taxation such as the taxable unit, rate structure, the definition of income, capital recovery, the difference between a deduction and a credit, and the treatment of capital gains. Through the use of the problem method, the course develops the critical skills necessary to read and analyze any statutory language.

### **2LAW 2750 Obligations II (3)**

This is a continuation course building upon the general principles developed in Obligations I. Its focus is a detailed study of sale and (to a lesser extent) lease, the most important nominate contracts in the Civil Code. Where appropriate, comparisons are made between the UCC and the French and Louisiana Civil Codes.

### **2LAW 2800 Legal Profession (3)**

This course introduces students to the roles of lawyers in society, the nature and structure of the legal profession, the rules of ethics, fundamental concerns and dilemmas of lawyers engaged in the practice of law. The course seeks to make students aware of their ethical responsibilities, both as members of society and members of the legal profession. This course must be taken prior to both as members of society and members of the legal graduation

### **2LAW 2870 Real Estate Transactions & Finance, Common, and Civil Law (2)**

This course covers issues of substantive and procedural law in their relationship to real estate transactions, and drafting, financing, and other problems encountered in sophisticated transactions.