

Syllabus 2012
Introduction to American Law
M W 4:00-5:30 p.m., Room ____
Note: class meets M T TH F from 1:30-3:00 weeks of Aug. 13 and Aug. 20
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<u>Date</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Assignment</u>
Aug. 13	Government Structure	Chap. I
Aug. 14	continued	
Aug. 16	Judicial System	Chap. V
Aug. 17	continued	
Aug. 20	Constitutional Law	Chap. IX
Aug. 21	continued	
Aug. 23	continued	
Aug. 24	continued	
Aug. 27	Contract Law	Chap. X
Aug. 29	continued	
Sept. 3	Labor Day Holiday no class	
Sept. 5	Tort Law	Chap. XI
Sept. 10	continued	
Sept. 12	Property Law	Chap. XII, Part 1,2 (pages 471-498)
Sept. 17	continued	
Sept. 21	Mid-term exam Friday Time TBA

Sept. 24	Legal Methodology	Chap. II
Sept. 26	Legal Methodology, cont.	
Oct. 1	Review Mid-term Exam	
Oct. 3	Adversary System & Jury Trials	Chap. III
Oct. 8	continued	
Oct. 10	Civil Procedure	Chap. VII
Oct. 15	continued	
Oct. 17	Dominguez v. Scott's	p. 1-40
Oct. 22	continued	p. 52-86
Oct. 24	continued	p. 86-129
Oct. 29	TBA
Oct. 31	Criminal Procedure	Chap. VIII
Nov. 5	continued	
Nov. 9	FINAL EXAM Friday Time TBA	

Texts:

William Burnham's INTRODUCTION TO THE LAW AND LEGAL SYSTEM OF THE UNITED STATES, **Fifth** Edition, West **2011**. (references to "Chapters" above)

David Crump & Jeffrey B. Berman, THE STORY OF A CIVIL CASE: DOMINGUIZ V. SCOTT'S FOOD STORES, INC. Law Supplement Series, Third Edition, The John Marshall Publishing Company 2001 (references to "pages" above on Oct. 12, 17, 20)
[This will be purchased later in the semester-I will advise you where to obtain a copy]