

Syllabus 2017
Introduction to American Law

March 18, 2017

M W 2:30-4:00 p.m. Room ____

Note: class meets M T TH F from 1:30-3:00 weeks of Aug. 7 and Aug. 14

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DATE	TOPIC	ASSIGNMENT
Aug. 7	Government Structure	Chap. I
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Aug. 10	Judicial System	Chap. V
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Aug. 14	Constitutional Law	Chap. IX
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Aug. 21	Contract Law	Chap. X
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Aug. 28	Tort Law	Chap. XI and <i>Hoffman v. Jones</i> Appendix A1-14
Aug. 30	continued	
Sept. 4	Labor Day	
Sept. 6	Property	Chap. XII, Part 1, 2 (<u>not</u> Intellectual Property)
Sept. 8	Mid Term Exam Time TBA	
Sept. 11	Prop. Cont.	
Sept. 13	Review Mid-term Exam	
Sept. 18	Legal Methodology.	Chap. II
Sept. 20	Legal Methodology, cont.	
Sept. 25	Adversary System & Jury Trials	Chap. III
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Oct. 2	Civil Procedure	Chap. VII
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Oct. 9	Dominguez v. Scott's	p. 1-40
Oct. 11	continued	p. 52-86
Oct. 16	TBA	
Oct. 18	Dominguez v. Scott's	p. 86-129
Oct. 23	Criminal Procedure	Chap. VIII
Oct. 25	continued	
Oct. 27	Final Exam Time TBA	

Texts:

William Burnham's INTRODUCTION TO THE LAW AND LEGAL SYSTEM OF THE UNITED STATES, Sixth Edition, West Academic 2016. (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 (Assigned for Oct. 9, 11, and 18 above). Buy this book now or the bookstore will return it to the publisher.