

WATER LAW
Syllabus

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All assignments are in *Robert W. Adler, Robin K. Craig, & Noah D. Hall, Modern Water Law* (2013). While I intend to stick to this reading schedule, I reserve the right to revise it as the semester progresses. The grade will be based upon a final exam (80%) and class participation (20%). Feel free to walk in on me anytime I am in my office. Alternatively, contact me at dellapen@law.villanova.edu for questions or to arrange an appointment.

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January 18	Introduction	1-21
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January 25	Riparian Rights to Consume Water	46-68
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February 6	Basic Features of Appropriative Rights	121-148
February 8	Changing Uses under Appropriative Rights	148-171
February 13	Groundwater	173-206
February 15	Conjunctive Management	206-229
February 20	Regulated Riparianism	231-254
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February 27	Navigability	283-313
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March 6	The Public Trust Doctrine	333-375
March 8	Federal Reserved Water Rights & Federal Water Projects	377-418
March 13,15	Spring Break	

Managing the Water Environment

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March 22 <i>Date</i>	Interstate Water Problems <i>Topic</i>	437-476 <i>Assignment</i>
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April 12	More on Endangered Species	624-653
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April 19	Restoring Waters	687-727
April 24	Takings and Water Rights	729-757
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