

## Professor Ragazzo

### Mergers & Acquisitions

1. Casebook 3-61.
2. Casebook 61-125
3. Casebook 125-163, 311-332.
4. Casebook 333-389.
5. Casebook 389-447.
6. Casebook 447-503.
7. Casebook 553-613.
8. Casebook 613-664.
9. Casebook 664-725.
10. Casebook, 725-753, 963-989.
11. Casebook, 990-1051.
12. Casebook, 1051-1106.
13. Casebook, 1117-1137, 505-536.

Materials: The required materials for the course are (1) William J. Carney, Mergers and Acquisitions (Foundation Press 4th ed. 2016); (2) Robert A. Ragazzo & Frances S. Fendler, Statutory Supplement to Closely Held Business Organizations (West 2014); and (3) a handout on the Williams Act. During the exam, you will be permitted to refer to the casebook, the statutory supplement, and Williams Act handout, as well as any handwritten notes that have been placed in them. You may place tabs in your books. You will not be permitted to refer to any other materials during the exam.

Participation: I question students in panels. If for some reason you are unable to be present or prepared on your assigned day, it is your responsibility to switch days with someone else and to inform me of the switch in the presence of the person with

whom you are trading. In the event a class is cancelled, the panel for that day will be rescheduled. All other panels keep their previously assigned days. Participation on behalf of non-panel members is, of course, encouraged. I reserve the right to raise or lower your grade one notch (i.e., one-third of a grade) based on class participation.

Any panel member who is absent or unprepared will automatically lose one notch on his final grade. Any student who is absent or unprepared on two panel days will be dropped from the course.

Grading: The grade will be derived from one two-hour exam given at the end of the course plus or minus any adjustment for class participation.

Attendance: Any student who misses more than two classes will lose one notch on his or her final grade. Any student who misses more than three classes will be dropped from the course. I am not in the excuse-taking business. It will inevitably occur that you will have to miss class for professional, medical, and other reasons. Use your allowed absences wisely. I take attendance by passing out a sign-up sheet at the beginning of each class. It is your responsibility to make sure you sign the roll each day before class is over. Be especially cognizant of this fact if you come late. You are permitted to sign the attendance sheet if you are present for a majority of the class. If you do not sign in before I leave the room with the roll sheet, you are absent.

My Secretary, Sandra Jackson (713-743-2144), keeps the attendance records. She will be pleased to tell you how many absences you had as of the last time she updated the attendance records. However, my Secretary performs this function only as a courtesy.

You are required to know how many times you failed to sign the attendance sheet. I will not entertain arguments that my Secretary has in some fashion misled you with respect to how many times you were absent.

Office: My office is BLB 228 (713-743-2146). I am generally available following our class. However, feel free to come by at any time. If you would like to make an appointment for a specific time, you may do so in person, by phone, or by e-mail. Be advised that I do not answer substantive questions by phone or e-mail.

Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS) can help students who are having difficulties managing stress, adjusting to the demands of a professional program, or feeling sad and hopeless. You can reach CAPS ([www.uh.edu/caps](http://www.uh.edu/caps)) by calling 713-743-5454 during and after business hours for routine appointments or if you or someone you know is in crisis. No appointment is necessary for the "Let's Talk" program, a drop-in consultation service at convenient locations and hours around campus.

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