

Georgia Tech Ernest Scheller Jr. College of Business

MGT 2106 ES - Legal Aspects of Business

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Early Summer 2026

SCOB 221 M-W-F 3:30pm-6:15pm

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COURSE DESCRIPTION:

MGT 2106 will introduce you to the American legal system as it relates to business. The course will cover constitutional law, administrative law, torts, contracts, dispute resolution, property, business formation, employment matters, and ethical issues.

PREREQUISITE:

There are no prerequisites for this course.

COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES:

At the end of the course, you should be able to do the following:

- Demonstrate knowledge of legal theories applicable to jurisdiction, alternative dispute resolution, torts, product liability, contracts, agency, employment, and business organizations
- Diagnose legal issues from a set of facts describing a business situation
- Identify and formulate relevant legal theories for legal issues deduced from a set of facts describing a business situation
- Predict likely outcomes/consequences to legal issues in a business situation
- Generate possible solutions and strategies to legal issues
- Explain the risk to a business entity that legal issues present
- Communicate in a professional manner, using logic and reasoning the diagnosis of legal issues, relevant legal theories, and likely consequences
- Demonstrate knowledge of ethical standards and frameworks appropriate for business
- Identify business ethical dilemmas and use ethical frameworks (as well as logic and reasoning) to respond appropriately

HONOR CODE

Please note that you are required to familiarize yourself with and abide by the Georgia Institute of Technology's Academic Honor Code in all aspects of participation in this course, including the section establishing student responsibilities with respect to academic integrity. As you may remember, compliance with the Academic Honor Code is a condition of enrollment in the College of Business. See Honor Agreement. If I suspect that any student has violated that Academic Honor Code or the Honor Agreement, I will refer the matter to the Office of Student Integrity for appropriate action.

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DISABILITY ACCOMMODATION

The Georgia Institute of Technology has established policies with respect to disability accommodation through Office of Disability Services. These policies may be accessed at the Office of Disability Services website located at disabilityservices.gatech.edu. Students seeking disability accommodation must refer to the student guide and documentation pages on this website. Students must comply with the requirements set forth by the Office of Disability Services to receive accommodation.

ATTENDANCE/CLASS PARTICIPATION GRADING POLICY

Attendance/class participation make up a part of the final course grade. Attendance/class participation grades begin with the percentage of class sessions that you fully attend. Please note that “fully attend” means engaging during the class session. I will make upward and downward grade adjustments to reflect the number of class sessions in which you meaningfully contribute to the discussion. Failure to attend class will result in a class participation grade deduction. Please note that I require all students who are absent for Georgia Tech athletic purposes, other Institute-sponsored events, or other reasons to give me notice of such absence as soon as the student knows that he/she will be absent. Regardless of whether an absence is excused or unexcused, I suggest that students contact me about catching up on material missed during an absence.

DISCLAIMER, AKA “I AM NOT YOUR LAWYER.”

Any and all opinions or statements as to legal matters made are for teaching purposes only and are not intended and should not be construed as dispensing legal advice or creating an attorney-client relationship. Should you need an attorney, I am more than happy to make a referral.

OTHER COURSE POLICIES

Please also note that this syllabus expresses my administrative policies and intentions for the subject matter for the class; however, I reserve the right to change any of the above-referenced policies and/or the following topics and assignments. I further reserve the right to make changes without notice and within my own discretion. Classes may not be recorded without my express permission.

EVALUATION:

Attendance and Class Participation

First Exam

Second Exam

All of equal weight

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Your final grade will be based on a combination of attendance/class participation/assignments and the four exams.

GRADE SCALE:

A	90-100
B	80-89
C	70-79
D	60-69
F	59 and below

CLASS TEXT

The following text will be used for this class:

Roger LeRoy Miller, *Business Law Today: The Essentials*, 12th edition (McGraw Hill Irwin).

ISBN-13: 978-0-357-03817-8

Power point slides for each chapter can be found on Canvas.

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ASSIGNED READINGS AND GRADED WORK

The following is an aspirational/tentative schedule of topics and assignments. It is subject to change based on how fast the class is able to absorb the material. If the class is challenged by a particular concept, we will slow the pace to ensure that we cover the material adequately. If, on the other hand, the class is adept at absorbing the material, we could move more quickly than stated below.

CLASS DATE	TOPIC	READING
May 18-27	Legal Introduction and Constitutions Foundations of Business/Courts, ADR, Ethics, Torts, Intellectual Property and Criminal and Cyber Law; Contracts – Agreement and Consideration Capacity, Legality, Enforceability, and Performance and Review	Chapters 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 & 10
May 29	EXAM 1	
June 1-12	Creditor Rights, Bankruptcy, Agency, Employment, Entrepreneur Options, Corporations and Real Property, and Review	Chapters 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 & 24
June 15	Exam 2	
June 17	Last Class	