



### III. Course Standards

1. 100% attendance. However smart you may be, you cannot reach your fullest learning potential without attending and participating in class. Thus, 100% class attendance is expected and desired. Given that your commitment to the class may, at times, conflict with a family emergency, sickness, funeral or job interview, you will be granted two absences with a valid, legitimate reason, thereafter each absence costs 5% of your final grade. Beyond those two absences, the choice to attend is yours and the cost of your absence is clear so long as you are willing to pay the price for it.

2. Active and aggressive participation
3. Plagiarism and cheating is grounds for automatic failure. University policy concerning academic integrity will be applied.

### IV. Grading

Twenty five percent (25%) of your grade will be class participation. The remaining grade will be determined by three exams, each valued at 33%. Exams are closed book and **open notes**, so long as the notes are only in your handwriting (which will be randomly checked and audited). If class is canceled for any reason the exams will still reflect what is on the syllabus. If you miss an exam, you must have a written excuse and a make up must take place within one week of the original exam date. Your final grade may be lowered by an additional 1% for each interruption and or private conversation.

Letter Grade	Standard of Performance	Quality Points
A	94-100 Outstanding	4.0
A-	89-93 Excellent	3.67
B+	85-88 Very High Quality	3.33
B	81-84 High Quality	3.0
B-	78-80 Above Average	2.67
C+	75-77 Slightly above average	2.33
C	71-74 Average	2.0
C-	68-70 Slightly below average	1.67
D+	65-67 Slightly above minimum	1.33
D	61-64 Minimal	1.0
D-	58-60 Barely above	0.67

<b><u>Month</u></b>	<b><u>Day</u></b>	<b><u>Home Study Assignment</u></b>
January	7	Opening Statement
	9	Read for class: Anatomy of Lawsuit (AOL) pgs 1-51, Syllabus policies, & UT Dishonesty policy <a href="http://www.frozcavemanlawyer.com/professor.htm">http://www.frozcavemanlawyer.com/professor.htm</a> or <a href="http://legaleagle.org">legaleagle.org</a> then professor files
	14	Read Anatomy of Lawsuit, pgs 52-118
	16	Read & prepare all of Chapter 1
	21	Martin Luther King Day – no class
	23	Read and prepare Chapter 2: Litigation
	28	Chapter 2 continued
	30	Chapter 3 Torts
February	4	Chapter 3: Continued + Web Packet No. 1
	6	Read Web Course Packet No. 2 & 3
	11	Review Ch 1-3
	13	Exam 1
	18	Chapter 4: Ethics
	20	Read Chapter 5: Intro to Contracts + Extra Credit Opportunity: See Web Packet No.4
	25	Chapter 5 continued
	27	Chapter 5 continued
March	3	Spring Break!!
	5	Spring Break !!
	10	Chapter 6: Conclusion to Contracts
	12	Chapter 6 continued
	17	Chapter 7: Sales, Product Liability & Negotiable Instr
	19	Chapter 4-7 review
	24	Exam No. 2
	26	Chapter 8: International Law + extra credit 2: earn an A
	30	Chapter 8 continued
April	2	Chapter 9: Property
	7	Chapter 9: Property continued
	9	Chapter 10: Employment
	14	Chapter 10: Employment continued
	16	Closing Arguments (combined class)
	21	Chapter 8-10 Review
	23	Exam (same class time and location)

## UT Policy Statement on Academic Dishonesty

Academic dishonesty will not be tolerated. Among the aims of education are the acquisition of knowledge and development of the skills necessary for success in any profession. Activities inconsistent with these aims will not be permitted. Students are responsible for knowing what constitutes academic dishonesty. If students are uncertain about what constitutes plagiarism or cheating they should seek the instructor's advice. Examples of academic dishonesty include, but are not limited to:

1. Plagiarizing or representing the words, ideas or information of another person as one's own and not offering proper documentation;
2. Giving or receiving, prior to an examination, any unauthorized information concerning the content of that examination;
3. Referring to or displaying any unauthorized materials inside or outside of the examination room during the course of an examination;
4. Communicating during an examination in any manner with any unauthorized person concerning the examination or any part of it;
5. Giving or receiving substantive aid during the course of an examination;
6. Commencing an examination before the stipulated time or continuing to work on an examination after the announced conclusion of the examination period;
7. Taking, converting, concealing, defacing, damaging or destroying any property related to the preparation or completion of assignments, research or examination;
8. Submitting the same work to fulfill the requirements for more than one course.

While academic integrity is particularly the responsibility of the student, the faculty members also have a responsibility. Assignments and tests should be constructed and proctored so as to discourage academic dishonesty. Faculty members are expected to inform their students explicitly as to what materials and procedures are authorized for use in the preparation of assignments or in examinations (e.g., the use of calculator, computer, text materials, etc.). Should cases of academic dishonesty be found among students, the instructor may choose to counsel the student, or the following sanctions may be imposed:

1. The student may be assigned an F for the work in question.
2. The student may be assigned an F for the course. In this case the instructor should inform the Dean and the student of this action. The Dean will make certain that the student receives the F grade and is not permitted to withdraw from the course.
3. The student may be placed on probation or suspended for some definite period of time, dismissed or expelled by the Dean if either the seriousness of the offense or a record of repeated offenses warrants it. A notation that such a sanction has been imposed will be made part of the student's permanent record. It is expected that the Dean will consult with the instructor and the student in making such a judgment, and that the Dean will notify the student of the sanction imposed and of the appeals procedure.

A student found to be academically dishonest by a faculty member may appeal according to procedures approved by the respective colleges. The procedures for making a final appeal to the Student Grievance Committee may be found in the Student Handbook