

Texas A&M University - Texarkana
GBUS 456.001
Social, Political & Legal Environment of Business

Class Syllabus For Fall - 2010

Instructor: Tina M. Richardson
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Schedule: Wednesdays
6:00 P.M. -8:45 P.M.

Location: TBA

Textbook: Cross, Frank B. & Miller, Roger L. (2009) *The Legal Environment of Business: Text and Cases: Ethical, Regulatory, Global, and E-Commerce Issues*; Seventh Edition

Course Objectives:

At the conclusion of this course, students should be able to demonstrate the following:

- a working knowledge of the legal social and political environments in which organizations must operate
- a working knowledge of legal principles and terms
- a thorough understanding of the legal system and its procedures
- the ability to dissect and apply sociolegal source information
- the ability to present knowledge in small group discussion and in writing

Course Requirements:

Attendance: Students may miss no more than two (2) class meetings, excused or unexcused. **THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS.** Class participation is also heavily involved and constitutes an element of grading.

***** Please note that class exam and activity dates are tentative and may be moved. It is your responsibility to get notes, syllabus changes, assignments, and other announcements from other students or the instructor.

Test Administration:

Where possible, notice must be made to the instructor of a student's inability to sit for exam(s). In all other situations and in cases of emergency, students are required to notify the instructor as soon as is practicable. Make up exams will be given at the instructor's discretion.

Grading System:

Students will be evaluated on the basis of performance on the following:

Final Exam	25%
Mid-Term Exam	15%
Homework	15%
Class Participation	10%
Quizzes	20%
Oral Presentation	<u>15%</u>
Total	100%

Percentage And Grade Equivalence:

90% - 100%	=	A
80% - 89%	=	B
70% - 79%	=	C
60% - 69%	=	D
Under 60%	=	F

Disability Accommodations:

Students with disabilities may request reasonable accommodations through the A&M-Texarkana Disability Services Office by calling 903-223-3062.

Miscellaneous Notices:

Upon application to Texas A&M University-Texarkana an individual will be assigned an A&M-Texarkana email account. This email account will be used to deliver official university correspondence. Each individual is responsible for information sent and received via the university email account and is expected to check the official A&M-

Texarkana email account on a frequent and consistent basis. Faculty and students are required to utilize the university email account when communicating about coursework.

At the completion of your degree our BBA graduates should be proficient in the following areas:

Goal 1: Our graduates will be competent in the broad business disciplines that underlie the BBA degree.

Goal 2: Our graduates will be competent in the discipline of their chosen major or concentration.

Goal 3: Our graduates will demonstrate critical thinking skills.

Goal 4: Our graduates will be able to communicate effectively in writing and in front of a group.

Goal 5: Our graduates will be competent in the use of analytical tools via business software tools.

Goal 6: Our graduates will be able to properly integrate business disciplines in developing holistic, multi-functional solutions.

Goal 7: Our graduates will be able to correctly analyze financial statements.