

MODULE: BUSINESS LAW

Semester: 2 (Spring)
Stage: 1
Themes: Legal and Ethical Issues
Number of Credits: 4 semester credits/6 quarter units

INTRODUCTION

This module presents the legal environment in which business operates. It presents the legal framework within which law is administered, and its application to business disciplines and practices. It presents general legal principles and highlights for students the need for business practitioners to comply with their many responsibilities under the law.

AIMS

- To provide students with an historical understanding of the legal system and how it pertains to business entities
- To familiarise students with key legal concepts
- To provide students with the skill and knowledge to understand and interpret legal judgements

LEARNING OUTCOMES

On completion of this module successful students will be able to:

- Recognise the primary legal factors in business in terms of how they relate to human resource issues such as recruitment, selection, discipline and dismissal.
- Interpret the rules, regulations and liabilities in relation to the existing legislation governing business practice
- Describe legal aspects in relation to financial accounting
- Recognise appropriate courses of action when faced with legal problems

ASSESSMENT

Knowledge, comprehension, group interaction, problem solving and communications will be demonstrated through Coursework will consist of Group Projects Study which accounts for 40% of the overall module marks. At the end of the semester an unseen written examination will also be held accounting for 60% of the assessment marks.

Exam Questions – 60%

Commentary style questions - factual / conceptual knowledge and appropriate use of legal terminology

Analytical questions – evaluation and interpretation techniques

Hypothetical questions – factual / theoretical knowledge and appropriate use of legal terminology

Analytical / problem solving questions – interpretation and analysis of legal issues

Course work – 40%

Individual Project – practical appreciation of legal issues in a specialised context