**1. COURSE TITLE\*:** Business Law I – The Legal Environment

**2.** **CATALOG – PREFIX/COURSE NUMBER/COURSE SECTION**\*: BADM 2251

**3.** **PREREQUISITE(S)\*:** None **COREQUISITE(S)\*:** None

**4.** **COURSE TIME/LOCATION/MODALITY: (*Course Syllabus – Individual Instructor Specific***

**5. CREDIT HOURS\*:** 3 **LECTURE HOURS\*:** 3

**LABORATORY HOURS\*:** 0 **OBSERVATION HOURS\*:** 0

**6. FACULTY CONTACT INFORMATION: *(Course Syllabus – Individual Instructor Specific)***

Name & at least 2 methods of contact

**7. COURSE DESCRIPTION\*:**

This course is an introduction to the legal and social environment of business. This course covers ethics, court jurisdiction, dispute resolution, regulation of business, torts, business crimes and international law. This course also covers topics in agency relationships, stakeholders, shareholders, forms of business organizations, government regulations, employment law, antitrust regulations, and property rights.

**8. LEARNING OUTCOMES\*:**

At the completion of this course the student should be able to:

1. Know the purpose of the legal system
2. Understand the needs of the legal system
3. General understanding of stakeholder and shareholder theories in the business decision-making process
4. Be aware of the nature of ethics
5. Understand the sources of values for business ethics
6. Understand how to achieve an ethical business corporation
7. Understand a property-based legal system and corporate governance
8. Understand the court system
9. Define standing to sue
10. Understand litigation
11. Know pretrial, trial procedures
12. Distinguish between a tort and a crime
13. Be familiar with the fourth, fifth, and sixth amendments
14. Distinguish between fraud, conspiracy, larceny and racketeering
15. Be familiar with international law and organizations
16. Be familiar with methods of transacting international business
17. Know how to resolve international disputes
18. Understand agency laws
19. Understand the formation and operation of business
20. Distinguish between the forms of businesses
21. Understand securities regulations
22. Know the antitrust laws
23. Be familiar with consumer protection issues
24. Know the trends in environmental regulation
25. Understand legal employment practices
26. Know about the ownership of property
27. Understand the intellectual property rights

**9. ADOPTED TEXT(S)\*:**

ANDERSON’S BUSINESS LAW and the Legal Environment

Comprehensive Volume 24th edition

Cengage Learning

Twomey, Jennings, Greene

ISBN: 978-0-357-70000-6Cengage Unlimited Inclusive Access eBook

ISBN for students who do NOT want Inclusive Access: 978-0-357-53581-3

**10. OTHER REQUIRED MATERIALS: (SEE APPENDIX C FOR TECHNOLOGY REQUEST FORM.)\*\***

Research of articles as assigned by instructor.

**11. GRADING SCALE\*\*\*:**

Grading will follow the policy in the catalog. The scale is as follows:

A = 90 – 100

B = 80 – 89

C = 70 – 79

D = 60 – 69

F = 0 – 59

**12. GRADING PROCEDURES OR ASSESSMENTS: (*Course Syllabus – Individual Instructor Specific)***

**Example:**

**Points %**

Exams 700 70%

Projects 200 20%

Attendance 50 5%

Participation 50 5%

Total 1,000 100%

**13. COURSE METHODOLOGY: *(Course Syllabus – Individual Instructor Specific)***

Classes will consist of lectures, class discussions, simulations, projects, videos, outside assignments and supplemental materials. Interactive class discussion is encouraged and staying current on reading assignments necessary to be able to actively participate in class discussions.

**14. COURSE OUTLINE: *(Course Syllabus – Individual Instructor Specific)***

**Suggested Course Outline Learning Outcome**

**Covered**

Week 1 The Nature and Sources of Law 1, 2

The Court System and Dispute Resolution 1, 2, 8, 9, 10, 11

Week 2 Business Ethics, Social Forces, and the Law 4, 5, 6

The Constitution as the Foundation of the Legal

Environment 13

Week 3 Government Regulations of Competition and Prices 8, 22

Administrative Agencies 18

Week 4 Crimes 12, 14

Torts 12, 23

Week 5 Intellectual Property Rights 27

The Legal Environment of International Trade 2, 15, 16, 17

Week 6 Agency 18

Third Persons in Agency 18

Week 8 **MID-TERM**

Regulation of Employment 25

Week 9 Equal Employment Opportunity Law 25

Week 10 Types of Business Organizations 6, 19, 20

Partnerships 19, 20

Week 11 LP’s, LLC’s, and LLP’s 19, 20

Corporation Formation 19, 20

Week 12 Shareholder Rights in Corporations 3

Securities Regulation 21

Week 13 Accountants’ Liability and Malpractice 4, 5, 6

Management of Corporations 16

Week 14 Real Property 7, 26

Environmental Law and Land Use Controls 7, 24, 26

Week 15 Leases 26

Decedents’ Estates and Trusts 26

Week 16 **FINAL**

**15. SPECIFIC MANAGEMENT REQUIREMENTS\*\*\*:**

**Student’s Responsibility:** Read the Textbook, Read the Chapter Learning Objectives, Read the Chapter Summary, Attend Class, Be prepared to Participate in class, Display Sincere Adult Behavior, Complete the Project and EXAMS by the Due Dates, No Tobacco, No using Cell Phones. **No Plagiarism!**

**Instructor’s Responsibility:** It is the responsibility of the instructor to enhance and expand the meaning and application of the subject matter covered in the course. The instructor will not normally review the assigned text. The instructor will provide grades in a timely manner and make arrangements to be available for assistance as needed.

1. **FERPA\*:**

Students need to understand that their work may be seen by others. Others may see your work when being distributed, during group project work, or if it is chosen for demonstration purposes. Students also need to know that there is a strong possibility that your work may be submitted to other entities for the purpose of plagiarism checks.

1. **ACCOMMODATIONS: \***

Students requesting accommodations may contact Ryan Hall, Accessibility Coordinator at rhall21@sscc.edu or 937-393-3431, X 2604.

Students seeking a religious accommodation for absences permitted under Ohio’s Testing Your Faith Act must provide the instructor and the Academic Affairs office with written notice of the specific dates for which the student requires an accommodation and must do so no later than fourteen (14) days after the first day of instruction or fourteen (14) days before the dates of absence, whichever comes first. For more information about Religious Accommodations, contact Ryan Hall, Accessibility Coordinator at [rhall21@sscc.edu](mailto:rhall21@sscc.edu) or 937-393-3431 X 2604.

1. **OTHER INFORMATION\*\*\*:**

**SYLLABUS TEMPLATE KEY**

**\*** Item cannot be altered from that which is included in the master syllabus approved by the Curriculum Committee.

**\*\*** Any alteration or addition must be approved by the Curriculum Committee

**\*\*\*** Item should begin with language as approved in the master syllabus but may be added to at the discretion of the faculty member.