

**BUSINESS 2301**  
**Business Law**

**Western Texas College**

- I. Basic Course Information
  - A. Course Description: The course provides the student with foundational information about the U.S. legal system and dispute resolution, and their impact on business. The major content areas will include general principles of law, the relationship of business and the U.S. Constitution, state and federal legal systems, the relationship between law and ethics, contracts, sales, torts, agency law, intellectual property, and business law in the global context.
- II. Information about Learning Objectives and Outcomes - Student Learning Outcomes:
  - A. Describe the origins and structure of the U.S. legal system.
  - B. Describe the relationship of ethics and law in business.
  - C. Define relevant legal terms in business.
  - D. Explain basic principles of law that apply to business and business transactions.
  - E. Describe business law in the global context.
  - F. Describe current law, rules, and regulations related to settling business disputes.
- III. Major Course Requirements
  - A. Major course requirement- Chapter exams
  - B. Major course requirement- Chapter quizzes
  - C. Major course requirement-Writing Assignment
- IV. Late Work Policy
  - A. All late work must be approved by instructor prior to being late
  - B. All late work will have at least 10% of the maximum grade deducted from earned grade
  - C. Instructor reserves all rights regarding the acceptance of late work without prior approval
- V. Information on Readings
  - A. Required text: The Legal Environment of Business and Online Commerce: Henry Cheeseman 9th edition ISBN-13: 9780135228647 or EText: 9780135175651
  - B. For campus students all assessments will be submitted through Moodle unless instructor specifically mentions a change during the period of the course. For online students all assessments will be completed through Moodle, no exceptions.
- VI. Other Policies: Please refer to the WTC Course [Catalog](#) for the following:
  - A. Campus Calendar
  - B. Final Exam schedule
  - C. How to drop a class
  - D. Withdrawal information
  - E. Student Conduct/Academic Integrity
  - F. Students with disabilities

VII. Course Organization:

Unit One:	
	Chapter 1: Legal Heritage and the Information Age
	Chapter 2: Ethics and Social Responsibility of Business
	Chapter 5: Constitutional Law for Business and E-Commerce
	Chapter 8: Intellectual Property and Information Technology
Unit Two:	
	Chapter 9: Formation of Contracts
	Chapter 10: Performance and Breach of Contracts
	Chapter 11: Digital Law and E-Commerce
	Chapter 12: Sales contracts, Leases and Warranties
Unit Three:	
	Chapter 13: Credit, Secured Transactions, and Bankruptcy
	Chapter 18: Agency Law
	Chapter 19: Equal Opportunity in Employment
	Chapter 20: Employment Law and Worker Protection

**\*The above schedule, policies, procedures, and assignments in this course are subject to change.**