

BASIC PRINCIPLES OF U.S. LAW

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[COURSE INFORMATION]

COURSE DESCRIPTION & GOALS	<p>Introductory course discussing the basic structure of the American legal system and various topics of substantive law.</p> <p>Any student considering future studies in law should find this course very interesting and informative.</p>
PREREQUISITE	None
COURSE REQUIREMENTS	None
GRADING POLICY	<p>Final grade-graded on a curve</p> <p>50% Final Examination</p> <p>25% Attendance</p> <p>25% Class Participation</p>
TEXTS & NOTES	To be provided later
INSTRUCTOR'S PROFILE	<p>-21st year sitting as a Judge in the New York State Supreme Court.</p> <p>-Deputy Administrative Judge for Criminal Matters in Kings County Supreme Court.</p> <p>-Previously a prosecutor in the New York County District Attorney's Office for 12 years</p>

[WEEKLY SCHEDULE]

WEEK (PERIOD)	WEEKLY TOPIC & CONTENTS	COURSE MATERIAL & ASSIGNMENTS	NOTES
1	General Overview of American Legal System: Study of the Structure of the Courts in both Federal and State Systems		
2	Discussion of Substantive American Law, Constitutional Law: will discuss major areas of the Constitutional Law beginning with “Judicial Review” and also including “Due Process” and “Equal Protection”		
3	Contracts: Will discuss the basic principals of law including how a contract is formed, etc.		
4	Torts: Will study various areas of torts including intentional torts, negligence, and product liability		
5	Criminal Law and Criminal Procedure Law: Will discuss various types of crimes and how cases are prosecuted, tried, and defended		
6	Review and Exam		