

MASTER OF JURISPRUDENCE COURSE DESCRIPTIONS
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MJ 631: BUSINESS ORGANIZATIONS AND ETHICS (3 credits ONLINE)

This course offers a comprehensive survey of the law of business associations from sole entrepreneur through partnership and corporate formation. It includes a broad examination of merger, acquisition, director's liability and other corporate law topics. Principal emphasis is on the law as it applies to the organization and functioning of corporations. Shareholder agreements, classes of shares, rights of first refusal, methods of financing, and voting trusts are also incorporated. This course will also discuss and examine the ethical issues as they relate to the formation and operation of various business associations.

MJ 844: BUSINESS PRINCIPLES (3 credits ONLINE)

This course introduces concepts and documents which are essential to understanding business law. These concepts and documents include basic accounting principles, present value and risk, discounted cash flow analysis, option value, basic financial analytical tools, and basic business financing forms (including trust indentures, shareholder's agreements, and preferred stock terms).

MJ 6029: COMPLIANCE IRREGULARITIES & FINANCIAL FRAUD (3 credits ONLINE)

Recently, the escalation of highly publicized allegations of accounting irregularities and fraudulent financial reporting have stunned the corporate community and has been the impetus for the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, as well as closer scrutiny by the SEC. This course will review the various stages of financial crises that occur when a company finds itself in the wake of fraudulent financial reporting—including how to prevent it from happening in the first place. The course will also examine the corporate environment that causes fraudulent financial reporting, how it spreads, the kinds of crises it can create for a company, and the best way to deal with them.

MJ 602: CONSTITUTIONAL LAW (3 credits ONLINE)

This course provides an overview of constitutional law including the structure of the United States Constitution, judicial review, the powers and limitations of each of the three branches of the federal government, vertical and horizontal separation of powers, fundamental rights, freedom of speech, and freedom of religion. The course focuses on specific areas of intersection between constitutional law and health law. The course also provides introductory training in legal coursework including an analysis of the United States court system, legal precedent, and case briefing.

MJ 663: CONTRACT DRAFTING (3 credits ONLINE)

Contracts begins with the building blocks of contracts, then sets out the framework of an agreement and works through it from the preamble to the signature lines, in each instance discussing the business, legal, and drafting issues that occur in each part of a contract. The course then examines drafting rules for good writing and to techniques to enhance clarity and to avoid ambiguity. In addition, the course will explore ethical issues relating to contracts drafting. These issues go beyond issues of confidentiality and client

conflicts; considering some of the issues that are unique to contract drafting. Finally, the course will consider the nexus between drafting and the business deal and focus on the role as business counselor.

MJ 6066: CONTRACTS AND NEGOTIATIONS (3 credits ONLINE)

This course begins with the building blocks of contracts, then sets out the framework of an agreement and works through it from the preamble to the signature lines, in each instance discussing the business, legal, and drafting issues that occur in each part of a contract. The course then examines drafting rules for good writing and the techniques to enhance clarity and to avoid ambiguity. In addition, the course will explore ethical issues relating to contracts and negotiations. These issues go beyond issues of confidentiality and client conflicts; considering some of the issues that are unique to transactions – both in the context of drafting and negotiation. Finally, the course will consider the nexus between drafting and the business deal and focus on the role as business counselor.

MJ 6063: CORPORATE REGULATORY COMPLIANCE: RULES & STANDARDS (3credits ONLINE)

Corporate compliance is of increasing importance in corporate America. More and more companies are developing and implementing programs to ensure compliance with governing laws and regulations and to promote an environment that fosters compliance and encourages ethical behavior. This course will examine the central principles and statutory and regulatory framework that govern this growing field. We will analyze and discuss topics ranging from Sarbanes-Oxley to export controls, antitrust law, data protection and anti-corruption laws (such as the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act). We will also delve into the whistle-blower provisions of the Dodd-Frank Act, the Federal Sentencing Guidelines and other issues relating to government investigations and dispute resolution. Throughout this course we will discuss practical issues relating to the development and implementation of corporate compliance programs.

MJ 929: EXTERNSHIP (2-3 credits ONLINE)

This Externship seeks to provide qualified students with supervised work experience during the student's second semester course of study for a Master of Jurisprudence in Health Law. The Externship Director will undertake to coordinate students within a variety of settings including but not limited to hospitals, pharmaceutical companies, and corporations ("Sponsors") in the Delaware Valley region. The student's externship shall be under the supervision of practicing attorneys or experienced field supervisor and the Externship Director. This Externship strives to prepare students for the vast field of compliance and health law by offering a variety of sponsors and academic requirements. Students must have successfully completed all of all their 1st year required courses, obtain an overall Minimum 3.0 GPA and submit to the Externship Director a current resume and writing sample. In addition to completing 140 hours per semester for a 3 credit course, students are required to also complete online threaded discussions and assignments and attend monthly classroom meetings.

MJ 709: HEALTHCARE QUALITY & LIABILITY (3 credits ONLINE)

This on-line course is designed to familiarize MJ students with the legal and regulatory issues of health care using a case-based approach. Students will be introduced to the legal issues that often arise as health care is delivered through the complex network of private providers, government programs, and third party payers, providing an overview of the major legal, ethical and policy issues. Students will have an opportunity to examine and critique healthcare policy with an eye toward legal and regulatory constraints, variables within the healthcare delivery system, and societal issues that may affect the organization and delivery of health care resources.

MJ 6065: HEALTHCARE REGULATORY COMPLIANCE & LEGAL ANALYSIS (3 credits ONLINE)

In this course students will gain an understanding of the regulations that impact compliance in the healthcare profession. During the course, students will view lectures and engage in exercises, both of which are designed to provide a fundamental understanding of the relevant healthcare compliance regulations and the practical application of those regulations. This course is structured in a way that brings into reality the impact and implications compliance with the numerous federal and state regulations has on affected healthcare professionals and organizations, including medical practitioners, hospitals and pharmaceutical companies. Students will gain practical experience by applying relevant law(s) to both factual and hypothetical compliance scenarios and will be required to demonstrate not only a solid understanding of the regulations related to healthcare compliance, but also an ability to interpret and analyze the regulations to address arising compliance issues in a healthcare setting.

MJ 600: HEALTHCARE & BUSINESS TRANSACTIONS (3 credits ONLINE)

This course provides a beginning to end picture of how Healthcare Law Compliance impacts the pharmaceutical industry and provides an overview of promotional regulatory oversight, and applicable laws regulating compliance. In addition, the course will explore the various business transactions that are encountered within the healthcare arena with heightened focus on the pharmaceutical industry. Students will receive and review potential issues related to in-house compliance and learn how to develop an effective compliance program. The course will incorporate hands-on learning throughout the curriculum and students will be exposed to current industry related issues and experience ways to resolve such issues via assignments geared towards developing essential practical skills such as: risk assessment, mitigation plans, interviewing skills, project management and program development.

MJ 500: INTRODUCTION TO LAW (2 credits ONLINE)

An introduction to the legal system and an explanation of the legislative and judicial processes, how a legal rule is generated and maintained by the judicial system. Emphasis will be placed on civil practice, the development of the law through the court systems, legal memos, torts, contracts, business law.

MJ 601: INTRODUCTION TO LEGAL NURSE CONSULTANT (3 credits ONLINE)

This course is designed for nurses holding a current RN license who wish to expand their knowledge in the health law arena. In today's legal environment, the legal nurse consultant must be educated in many aspects of law, nursing, and medicine, as well as in the collective influences controlling and affecting patient care, legal claims, and litigation. This introductory course will examine the role of the LNC in the health care arena. MJ students will become knowledgeable regarding standards of care, liability issues, professional standards and hospital compliance. This course will provide a practical learning approach to the field of the legal nurse consultant.

MJ 606: LEGAL MEDICAL RESEARCH (3 credits)

This course is designed to expand upon Legal Methods in order for students to develop medical research skills. Applications will be through chronology, office memoranda, life care plans, investigation of case evaluations including workers' compensation and surgical claims. Students will apply their legal medical research skills in order to develop a professional work product.

MJ 509: LEGAL METHODS (3 credits ONLINE)

This foundation course introduces basic legal analysis including rule-based reasoning, and case synthesis. Learning occurring during the summer Introduction to Law course is reinforced and expanded upon. Students are also introduced to independent legal research skills. Course projects include a series of short graded assignments highlighting aspects of compliance writing.

MJ 607: PRINCIPLES & PRACTICES OF LNC (3 credits ONLINE)

This course provides students with the standards of care and liability issues within a medical & legal setting. Students will examine a medical legal case from treatment to discovery, to legal report writing, research, and trial preparation. Students will be oriented to practical skills of defense medical evaluations, product liability, and toxic torts reports. Emphasis will also be placed on developing business plans and business principles.

MJ 6028X: REGULATORY COMPLIANCE: HOSPITAL MANAGED CARE (2 credits)

This course seeks to foster skills needed to assure compliance by hospitals and managed care organizations with governmental regulations and internal corporate policies. Students will learn to identify and respond to circumstances raising regulatory concerns, to navigate and interpret applicable regulatory schemes, draft policies and procedures, and ultimately to create and manage a comprehensive compliance program.

MJ 629: SECURITIES REGULATIONS (3 credits ONLINE)

A study of the federal and state securities laws and the industry they govern with emphasis on the regulation of the distribution process and trading in securities; subjects dealt with include the functions of the Securities and Exchange Commission, registration and disclosure requirements and related civil liabilities, "blue-sky" laws, proxy solicitation and reporting requirements, broker-dealer regulation, the self-regulatory functions of the exchanges, and the regulation of investment companies. This course

fulfills the MJ writing requirement. Students will be required to write a twenty (20) page paper on a topic of their choice which compliments the course curriculum in place of a written exam. Students will have the opportunity to submit an outline for review prior to the submission of the paper for review and comment. In addition to the paper, students will also be required to prepare a PowerPoint presentation to accompany his or her paper.

MJ 610: TAX (3 credits ONLINE)

A review of basic accounting principles to enhance the students' understanding of balance sheet and profit and loss accounts. This course will introduce the federal corporate taxation process. Students will become acquainted with the Internal Revenue Code and apply that knowledge when reviewing financial statements and the impact on the federal corporate tax return. Students will be given tax problems to solve using the Internal Revenue Code.

MJ 518: TORTS (3 credits ONLINE)

This course examines and analyzes the general theories of tort liability including Intentional Torts and Negligence. This course also introduces principles and theories of strict liability. Emphasis will also be placed on tort defenses as well as touch upon medical malpractice.

**THE FOLLOWING COURSE DESCRIPTIONS WILL BE
ADDED AS SOON AS THEY BECOME AVAILABLE**

**MJ XXX: ADVANCED CORPORATE COMPLIANCE & ETHICS (3 credits
ONLINE)**

**MJ XXX: ADVANCED HEALTHCARE COMPLIANCE & ETHICS (3 credits
ONLINE)**

**MJ XXX: CAPSTONE PROJECT FOR MJ CORPORATE DEGREE (3 credits
ONLINE)**

**MJ XXX: CAPSTONE PROJECTS FOR MJ HEALTH DEGREE (3 credits
ONLINE)**

MJ XXX: CORPORATE DEVIANCE (3 credits ONLINE)

**MJ XXX: INTRODUCTION TO CORPORATE COMPLIANCE & ETHICS (3
credits ONLINE)**

**MJ XXX: INTRODUCTION TO HEALTHCARE COMPLIANCE & ETHICS (3
credits ONLINE)**

**MJ XXX: REGULATING THE HEALTH CARE INSTITUTION (3 credits
ONLINE)**