



**assignments and late assignments will only be accepted for 24 hours after the due date and will receive partial credit.** Students are expected to make their presentations to the class during their designated class time. Make-up exams will not be offered and in-class activities, including quizzes, cannot be made up or taken early, unless the student has an excused absence pursuant to the university policy cited below. The only exception is an excused absence consistent with the university policies <https://catalog.ufl.edu/ugrad/current/regulations/info/attendance.aspx> and appropriate documentation is required. It is the student's responsibility to make arrangements to make up an exam or missed assignment.

### **Course Grading**

The final grade for this course is based on several categories of assignments each weighted differently and listed below.

#### *Quizzes and Assessments*

Throughout the semester several quizzes will be given to help students keep up with the readings. Each quiz will be given at the beginning of class. Students who arrive late to class, after the quiz has been handed out will not be able to take it. Assessments are a part of team-based learning and will consist of both individual assessments as well as group assessments.

#### *Briefs\**

You will have **four** cases to brief throughout the semester. During the second week of class, I will teach you how to brief a case. The purpose of the case briefs is to help students pull out the key components of a judicial decision and understand how courts interpret the law and arrive at their decisions. The due dates for each case brief are included on the schedule and are also listed below.

Brief #1: *Friedman v. Houston Sport Association*, 731 S.W.2d 572 (Tex. App. 1987) due **Thursday, January 24<sup>th</sup>**

Brief #2: *University of Colorado v. Derdeyn*, 863 P.2d 929 (Colo. 1993), due **Thursday, February 21<sup>st</sup>**

Brief #3: *Jackson v. Birmingham Board of Education*, 544 U.S. 167 (2005) due **Thursday, March 28<sup>th</sup>**

Brief #4: *Law v. NCAA*, 96 F.3d 1337 (10<sup>th</sup> Cir. 1996) due **Thursday, April 11<sup>th</sup> (Case can be found on Canvas, not in the Case Studies book)**

#### *Exams*

There will be 3 exams for this course. The exams are not cumulative but will cover all assigned reading up to each exam period. The format for the exams will be covered in class.

### *Projects and Papers\**

Students will work in groups to research a case and develop an argument in favor *and* against the ruling in the case. Each group will give a presentation of their case to the class. Instructions regarding this project will follow.

The second major project for this course is an annotated bibliography. Student will work independently to collect and summarize seven law review articles concerning a specific legal topic in sports. Instructions regarding the annotated bibliography will follow.

### *Activities*

Throughout the semester we will have several in-class activities and assignments. Student will work in groups to complete assignments that will review and reinforce material covered in the course.

***\*Briefs and other writing assignments should be submitted in Turnitin via Canvas. If a student is deemed to have plagiarized, he or she will be given a zero for the assignment. Please be sure to properly cite all sources directly quoted and paraphrased in each assignment using the APA style. Citation style guides can be found on the library website. If you are unsure about how or whether to cite something, please ask the instructor for guidance.***

<b>Assignment</b>	<b>Total Points</b>
Quizzes/Assessments (5) x 50 pts each	250
Exams (3) x 200 pts each	600
Case Briefs (4) x 50 pts each	200
Projects (2) x 200	400
Activities (4) x 25 pts each	100
Attendance Checks (10) x 10 pts*	100*
<b>Total</b>	<b>1650*</b>

### **Grading Scale**

<b>Total Points</b>	<b>Percent</b>	<b>Grade</b>	<b>Grade Points</b>
1494-1600	93.4-100	A	4.0
1440-1493	93.3-90.0	A-	3.67
1387-1439	86.7-89.9	B+	3.33
1334-1386	83.4-86.6	B	3.0
1280-1333	80.0-83.3	B-	2.67
1227-1279	76.7-79.9	C+	2.33
1174-1226	73.4-76.6	C	2.0
1120-1173	70.0-73.3	C-	1.67
1067-1119	66.7-69.9	D+	1.33
1014-1066	63.4-66.6	D	1.0

960-1013	60.0-63.3	D-	.67
0-959	0-59.9	E	0

**\*Do not ask the instructor questions regarding your grade. Rounding up is completely under the discretion of the instructor. If you want to challenge an assignment grade, please come to the professor with evidence from the textbook or case material to justify you grade change request.**

### **Accommodations for Students with Disabilities**

Students with disabilities requesting accommodations should first register with the Disability Resource Center (352-392-8565, <http://www.dso.ufl.edu/drc/>) by providing appropriate documentation. Once registered, students will receive an accommodation letter which must be presented to the instructor when requesting accommodation. Students with disabilities should follow this procedure as early as possible in the semester.

### **Course Evaluations**

Students are expected to provide feedback on the quality of instruction in this course by completing online evaluations at <https://evaluations.ufl.edu/>. Evaluations are typically open during the last two or three weeks of the semester, but students will be given specific times when they are open. Summary results of these assessments are available to students at <https://evaluations.ufl.edu/results/>

### **University Honesty Policy**

UF students are bound by The Honor Pledge which states, “We, the members of the University of Florida community, pledge to hold ourselves and our peers to the highest standards of honor and integrity by abiding by the Honor Code. On all work submitted for credit by students at the University of Florida, the following pledge is either required or implied: “On my honor, I have neither given nor received unauthorized aid in doing this assignment.” The Honor Code (<https://www.dso.ufl.edu/sccr/process/student-conducthonor-code/>) specifies a number of behaviors that are in violation of this code and the possible sanctions. Furthermore, you are obligated to report any condition that facilitates academic misconduct to appropriate personnel. If you have any questions or concerns, please consult with the instructor or TAs in this class.

### **Counseling and Wellness**

Contact information for the Counseling and Wellness Center: <http://www.counseling.ufl.edu/cwc/Default.aspx>, 392-1575; and the University Police Department: 392-1111 or 9-1-1 for emergencies.

## Course Schedule

This schedule is a tentative outline of the reading, projects and assignments that will be covered throughout the semester. If there are changes or amendments to this schedule, you will be told well in advance of any assignments that may be due.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Reading</b>	<b>Assignment</b>
Week 1 January 7-11	Introduction Chapter 1	
Week 2 January 14-18	Chapter 2 <i>Nabozny v. Barnhill</i>	Quiz #1
Week 3 January 21-25	MLK, Jr. Day (no class) Chapter 3 (TBL) <i>Bearman v. Univ. of Notre Dame</i>	Brief #1 Due 1/24
Week 4 Jan. 28- Feb. 1	Chapter 4 <i>Walters v. Fullwood</i>	
Week 5 February 4-8	Exam Review Exam 1	Exam 1 (Chapters 1-4)
Week 6 February 11-15	Chapter 5 <i>Vanderbilt Univ. v. DiNardo</i>	
Week 7 February 18-22	Chapter 6 (TBL) <i>Faragher v. City of Boca Raton</i> Chapter 7	Quiz #2
Week 8 Feb. 25- March 1	Chapter 7 <i>NCAA v. Tarkanian</i>	Brief #2 Due 2/28
Week 9 March 4-8	Spring Break	
Week 10 March 11-15	Chapter 7 <i>Vernonia School District v. Acton</i>	
Week 11 March 18-22	Chapter 8 (TBL) <i>Cohen v. Brown University</i>	Brief #3 Due 3/21
Week 12 March 25-29	Exam 2 Presentations	Exam 2 (Chapters 5-8) Group Presentations Due 3/27
Week 13 April 1-5	Chapters 9 <i>Boston Athletic Assoc. v. Sullivan</i>	
Week 14 April 8-12	Chapter 10 <i>Flood v. Kuhn</i> <i>NCAA v. Board of Regents</i>	Quiz #3 Brief #4 Due 4/11
Week 15 April 15-19	Chapter 11 <i>Brown v. Pro Football</i>	Annotated Bibliography Due 4/19
Week 16 April 22-24	Course Wrap Up	

<b>Monday, April 29</b>	<b>Final Exam 10:00-12:00</b>	<b>Exam 3 (Chapters 9-11)</b>
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