LEGL 1603: Criminal Procedures, Business Organizations, & Family Law

A. COURSE DESCRIPTION

Credits: 4
Lecture Hours/Week: 3
Lab Hours/Week: 2
OJT Hours/Week: *
Prerequisites: None
Corequisites: None
MnTC Goals: None

Students examine the Rules of Criminal Procedure and identify classes of crimes and criminal procedures including grand juries, bail procedures, arraignment, pretrial hearings, plea bargaining, trial procedures, and sentencing considerations. This course also covers domestic relations and business organizations. The learner develops knowledge of substantive and procedural Minnesota family law including the formation of the marital relationship, dissolution, child custody and support, adoption, paternity, domestic violence, child neglect, and surrogacy. Learners also explore the formation, operation, and dissolution of various kinds of business organizations including sole proprietorships, corporations, partnerships, and limited liability companies. Learners develop knowledge and skills necessary for preparation of legal forms and documents relating to Minnesota family law and business organization. Prerequisite: Strongly recommend prior completion of ADMN1513, LEGL1601, and LEGL1602.

B. COURSE EFFECTIVE DATES: 01/11/2010 - Present

C. OUTLINE OF MAJOR CONTENT AREAS

1. Define terms relating to business organizations.
2. Define terms relating to criminal law.
3. Define terms relating to family law.
4. Describe advantages and disadvantages of corporations.
5. Describe characteristics of sole proprietorship.
6. Describe characteristics partnerships and limited liability companies.
7. Discuss constitutional guarantees for the accused.
8. Examine trial process.
9. Explain necessity for and operation of grand jury.
10. Explain sentencing procedures
11. Identify classes of crimes.
12. Identify content and form of criminal complaint.
14. Outline steps necessary to create a corporation.
15. Explain methods of terminating marriages.
D. LEARNING OUTCOMES (General)
   1. The learner will display knowledge and understanding of Minnesota criminal law and criminal procedure.
   2. The learner will demonstrate an understanding of Minnesota business organizations, including the advantages/disadvantages and requirements for legal formation and termination.
   3. The learner will display knowledge and understanding of substantive and procedural law regarding adoptions, paternity, marriage, family law jurisdiction, and filing requirements.
   4. The learner will display knowledge and understanding of substantive and procedural law regarding dissolution of marriage, child custody and support, and demonstrate the ability to apply critical thinking skills to a family law case file.

E. Minnesota Transfer Curriculum Goal Area(s) and Competencies
   None

F. LEARNER OUTCOMES ASSESSMENT
   As noted on course syllabus

G. SPECIAL INFORMATION
   None noted