

Syllabus and Calendar

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<b>MAY</b>				
<b>M</b>	<b>TU</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>TH</b>	<b>F</b>
				“TL” refers to sections of the TeachingLaw.com Website, which will be our online textbook for the course – please read these assigned sections before each class. Information about accessing TL can be found on the Blackboard site for the course.
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	
Memorial Day	1: Intro to Course; Evaluating Rules of Law. Rdg: Web info. about the course; TL – <i>Legal Analysis: Introduction and Understanding Legal Rule.s</i> Assgn: Submit resume and JPG picture file to Prof.		2: Evaluating a Case and how it affects your client Rdg: TL – <i>Legal Analysis: Understanding Common Law; Case Analysis.</i> Due: Resume and JPG Picture. Assgn: Dog Bite Statute outline.	

Color key: Yellow = Online PPT; Green = Online Forum; Orange = Online Exercise; Brown = Telephone call; Red = Wimba Live Classroom

<b>JUNE</b>				
<b>M</b>	<b>TU</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>TH</b>	<b>F</b>
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				Individual Telephone calls with Prof. Thomson to discuss the class.
<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>
	3: Online workshop on how a case affects your client Rdg: TL – <i>Legal Analysis: Classical Rhetoric; Deduction vs. Induction</i> ; Assgn: 3 <i>Case Exercises</i> . Written Single Case Analysis. Due: Dog Bite Statute outline.		4: Online Research training Rdg: TL - <i>Research Sources: Federal, State, Secondary Sources</i> . Assgn: Complete TL – <i>Tutorials on Secondary Sources and Lexis</i> . Due: Single Case Analysis;	
<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>
	5: Drafting an analysis (IRAC) Rdg: TL – <i>Legal Analysis: Constructing Legal Analysis</i> . Due: TL - <i>Research Tutorials</i> . Assg: <i>IRAC puzzle quiz</i> .		6: Evaluating multiple cases; case synthesis Rdg: TL – <i>Legal Analysis: Case Synthesis</i> . Assgn: <i>Case Synthesis</i>	
<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>
	7: Intro to Memo Format Rdg: TL – <i>Legal Documents: Memorandums of Law (incl. examples); Editing and Citation: Strategies for Legal citation (Bluebook)</i> . Due: 2 <i>ICW Exercises</i>		8: Completing the Office Memo (QP & BA) Rdg: TL – <i>Legal Documents: Formal Req. of a Memo; Writing &amp; Rewriting (left bullets)</i> . Assgn: QP and BA	
<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>
	9: Online Workshop on Revising and Finalizing. Rdg: TL – <i>Writing &amp; Rewriting: (right bullets)</i> . Assgn: Draft Office Memo Due: QP and BA.		10: Client Letters; Persuasive Writing Rdg: TL – <i>Legal Documents: Client Letters (all)</i> . Due: Draft Office Memo Assgn: Client letter.	Telephone conferences with Prof. Thomson on your draft memo, by appointment (through 7/3)

**SUMMER 2007**

**MSLA - LEGAL/JUDICIAL PROCESS**

<b>JULY</b>				
<b>M</b>	<b>TU</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>TH</b>	<b>F</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
	<p>11: Online Forum on working with clients and opposing counsel. Rdg: (on Blackboard). Due: Client letter.</p>	<p>Independence Day Holiday</p>	<p>12: Settlement strategies and settlement letters. Rdg: (on Blackboard). Assgn: Settlement letter. Due: Final Office Memo.</p>	
<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>
	<p>13: Online mock settlement negotiations Rdg: (None). Due: Settlement Letter</p>		<p>14: Client Counseling. Rdg: (on Blackboard).</p>	