ENVIRONMENTAL LAW

COURSE 736 - SPRING 2022

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NOTE FROM THE PROFESSOR:

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COURSE BOOKS & MATERIAL

Farber et al, Environmental Law, 10th ed, West
COURSE DESCRIPTION & OBJECTIVE

DESCRIPTION:
An overview of how the environmental law process works. The course focuses primarily on federal law, in particular the Endangered Species Act, the Clean Air Act, the National Environmental Policy Act, the Clean Air Act, and statutes regulating hazardous wastes. The course examines the role of and interaction among the various participants in the regulatory process: the legislature, administrative agencies, the judiciary and the public.

OBJECTIVE:
(1) to provide students with an overview of how the environmental law process works; and (2) to help students develop the analytical skills necessary to understand the law-making process and to function as competent practicing attorneys.
STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES

Demonstrate a basic understanding of how the environmental process works and of the roles of the various participants in the process through in-class responses and performance on essay exams. Demonstrate proficiency in analytical ability, meaning the ability to present both sides of legal disputes through competing rules of law and policy justifications for the competing rules.
**Grading**

There will be a three hour essay exam at the end of the semester. One-third of the final grade will be based on class participation and two-thirds of the final grade will be based on the final exam.
ACCOMMODATIONS

In accordance with TMSL Student Rules and Regulations and Student Accommodations Handbook.
PARTICIPATION, ATTENDANCE & PROFESSIONALISM

Attendance will be taken at the start of each class based on a seating chart or roll call. The Law School’s attendance policy will be enforced per the TMSL Student Rules and Regulations.
ACADEMIC CALENDAR

SPRING SEMESTER 2022 (SEVENTY DAYS OF CLASSES)

School Opens Monday January 3, 2022
First Day of Class Monday January 10, 2022
Last Day to ADD/DROP Friday January 14, 2022
M L K Holiday (No Classes) Monday January 17, 2022
Purge of all unpaid course selections Monday February 7, 2022
Mid Term Examinations Mon – Fri March 7 - 11, 2022
Spring Break Mon – Fri March 14 - 18, 2022
Last Day to Drop a Class Monday April 11, 2022
Good Friday (No Classes) Friday April 15, 2022
Last Day of Classes Wednesday April 27, 2022
First Year Professors’ Grades Due Wednesday April 27, 2022
Reading Period (No Classes) Thur – Sun April 28 - May 1, 2022
Final Examinations Mon- Fri May 2 – May 13, 2022
Hooding Ceremony Friday May 13, 2022
Commencement Exercises Saturday May 14, 2022
POLICIES & PROCEDURES

In accordance with TMSL Student Rules and Regulations
READING ASSIGNMENTS

ENVIRONMENTAL LAW ASSIGNMENTS

1. Handout Articles                      14. 357-383 (NEPA)

2. 1-25 (introduction)                  15. 383-396 (NEPA)
   Environmental Law Video

3. 26-45 (the commons)                  16. Air Pollution Videos

4. Global Warming Video                 17. 416-431 (Clean Air Act)
   Paris/Glasgow handout

5. 117-131, 397-416                    18. 431-456 (CAA)
   (tort & nuisance law)

6. 282-296, handout cases              19. 456-465, 470-476, 483-484
   (public trust)                       (CAA)

7. 47-77 (risk)                        20. 465-470, 484-500 (CAA)

8. 77-100, 476-483                     21. 500-529 (CAA)
   (benefit-cost analysis)

9. 337-356, 70-72 (Rehnquist)          22. 530-559
   (judicial review)                    (greenhouse gases)

10. 100-117, Environmental             23. 559-575
    Justice Videos                      (market mechanisms)

11. Endangered Species Videos          24. 711-738, HW Video

12. 133-148                             25. 738-759 (haz. waste)
    (endangered species)                26. 759-789 (haz. waste)

13. 148-162, 179-190, 269-274,         27. 789-813 (haz. waste)
    207-211 (endang. spec.)             28. 813-826 (haz. waste)

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