

TEXAS SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY
THURGOOD MARSHALL SCHOOL OF LAW
JUVENILE LAW
FALL SEMESTER 2019
SYLLABUS-JUVENILE LAW-COURSE NO. 726

PROFESSOR A. WALKER

COURSE: Juvenile Law

SECTION: One

ROOM: 105

TIME: Mon. and Wed. 4-4:50 p.m.

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REQUIRED TEXT: Cases and Material in Juvenile Law Latest Edition
(J. Eric Smithburn Lexis Nexis, Matthew Bender)

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

Juvenile law is a (2) two credit course (fall) which is designed to provide students with a complete and comprehensive understanding of juvenile law and the juvenile criminal justice system.

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

To provide students with a carefully structured history and philosophy of the juvenile criminal justice system.

To effectively present the legal and social problems associated with juvenile delinquency, the juvenile court system, and child welfare laws.

Grades are based on the following:

Weekly Class Presentations	50%
Final Exam	50%

***Office Hours: Mon. Wed. & Fri. 1:00-3:00 p.m.**

ATTENDANCE-Class attendance and participation is **mandatory**
 (See Student Rules of matriculation for details on absences)

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<u>DAY</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>READING ASSIGNMENT</u>
Monday	August 19, 2019	Course Introduction
Wednesday	August 21, 2019	History of Juvenile System: Pg. 1-18
Monday	August 26, 2019	Juvenile Delinquency: Pg. 21-70
Wednesday	August 28, 2019	Continued Presentation
Monday	September 2, 2019	Labor Day
Wednesday	September 4, 2019	Delinq. Intake Process Pg. 73-139
Monday	September 9, 2019	Continued: Presentation
Wednesday	September 11, 2019	The Waiver Decision Pg. 211-255
Monday	September 16, 2019	Continued: Presentation:
Wednesday	September 18, 2019	Disposition: 325-357
Monday	September 23, 2019	Disposition: Pg. 358-382
Wednesday	September 25, 2019	Disposition: Pg. 383-405
Monday	September 30, 2019	Disposition: Pg. 407-474
Wednesday	October 2, 2019	Continued: Presentation
Monday	October 7, 2019	The Child as a Victim: Pg. 475-518
Wednesday	October 9, 2019	The Child as a Victim: Pg. 518-555
Monday	October 14, 2019	Continued: Presentation
Wednesday	October 16, 2019	State Protection: Pg. 563-590
Monday	October 21, 2019	Continued: Presentation
Wednesday	October 23, 2019	Foster Parents: Pg. 781-822
Monday	October 28, 2019	Continued: Presentation
Wednesday	October 30, 2019	Medical & Psych.: Pg. 835-911
Monday	November 4, 2019	Continued: Presentation
Wednesday	November 6, 2019	Continued: Presentation
Monday	November 11, 2019	Term. Of Rights: Pg. 913-959
Wednesday	November 13, 2019	Term. Of Rights: Pg. 959-990

Monday **November 18, 2019** **Term. Of Rights: Pg. 990-1028**
Wednesday **November 20, 2019** **Continued: Presentation**

Monday **November 25, 2019** **Continued: Presentation**
Wednesday **November 27, 2019** **(No Class) Reading Period**

FINAL EXAMS DECEMBER 2, 2019 THRU DECEMBER 13, 2019
DATE TO BE ANNOUNCED

***CLASS RULES:**

Absences: **Per the rules of matriculation, students are allowed 5
unexcused absences.**

Tardiness: **Classes begin promptly at the scheduled time.**

Participation: **All students are expected to prepare for every class. Students
are required to brief all cases assigned.**