

ECU COURSE CATALOG

2025-2026 LEGAL STUDIES - POLI. SCI. COURSES

LSPS-2153 Introduction to Law 3 Credits

AN EXAMINATION OF THE NATURE OF LAW, THE STRUCTURE AND FUNCTIONS OF THE AMERICAN COURTS AND JUDICIARY, SELECTION OF JUDGES, AND POLITICAL INFLUENCES ON JUDICIAL DECISIONS. Required Previous: Take PS-1113 or departmental approval

LSPS-3113 Constitutional Law: Issues of National Power 3 Credits

A STUDY OF THE POWERS OF THE FEDERAL COURTS, THE CONGRESS, THE PRESIDENT, AND THE DISTRIBUTION OF AUTHORITY BETWEEN THE NATIONAL AND STATE GOVERNMENTS, CONTRACTS, THE COMMERCE AND TAX POWERS, AS THESE RELATE TO GOVERNMENT REGULATION OF THE NATIONAL ECONOMY, AND THE 14TH AMENDMENT.

LSPS-3133 Civil Rights and Liberties 3 Credits

THIS COURSE EXAMINES MAJOR SUPREME COURT DECISIONS INCLUDING HOW THE DUE PROCESS CLAUSE HAS BEEN APPLIED IN THE IN THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM AS WELL AS HOW THE EQUAL PROTECTION CLAUSE OF THE 14TH AMENDMENT HAS BEEN USED TO PROTECT PEOPLE ON THE BASIS OF RACE, SEX, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, AND GENDER IDENTITY. PRIVACY LAW, GUN RIGHTS, AND VOTING RIGHTS ARE ALSO EXAMINED.

LSPS-3143 First Amendment Law 3 Credits

STUDIES THE SUPREME COURT'S INTERPRETATION OF THE FIRST AMENDMENT, WITHAN EMPHASIS ON ITS RELIGION AND SPEECH CLAUSES. THE POLITICAL, HISTORICAL, AND THEORETICAL BACKGROUND OF THE CASES IS ALSO CONSIDERED.

LSPS-4113 International Law 3 Credits

THIS COURSE EXPLORES THE ROLE OF INTERNATIONAL LAW IN THE RELATIONS OF STATES, INTERGOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS, NATURE, DEVELOPMENT, THEORY, SOURCES OF LAW, INTERNATIONAL PERSONALITY, JURISDICTION, INCLUDING TERRITORY AND NATIONALITY, DISPUTE SETTLEMENT. Required Previous: Take LSPS-2153

LSPS-4883 Jurisprudence 3 Credits

JURISPRUDENCE IS THE PHILOSOPHY OF LAW. THIS COURSE EXAMINES THE LEADING SCHOOOLS OF THOUGHT THAT INFLUENCE LEGAL THINKING AND DECISION MAKING, INCLUDING NATURAL LAW, POSITIVISM, LEGAL REALISM, AND OTHERS. Required Previous: Take LSPS-2153

LSPS-4981 Seminar in Law 1 Credit

DIRECTED GROUP STUDY ON SPEICAL SUBJECT OR PROBLEM.

LSPS-4982 Seminar in Law 2 Credits

DIRECTED GROUP STUDY OF SPECIAL SUBJECT OR PROBLEM.

LSPS-4983 Seminar in Law 3 Credits

DIRECTED GROUP STUDY ON SPECIAL SUBJECT OR PROBLEM.

LSPS-4984 Seminar in Law 4 Credits

DIRECTED GROUP STUDY ON SPECIAL SUBJECT OR PROBLEM.

LSPS-H2153 Honors-Introduction to Law 3 Credits

AN EXAMINATION OF THE NATURE OF LAW, THE STRUCTURE AND FUNCTIONS OF THEAMERICAN COURTS AND JUDICIARY, SELECTION OF JUDGES, AND POLITICAL INFLUENCES ON JUDICIAL DECISIONS. Required Previous: Take PS-1113 or departmental approval

LSPS-H4983 Honors-Seminar in Law 3 Credits

DIRECTED GROUP STUDY ON SPECIAL SUBJECT OR PROBLEM.