

LES 225 – LEGAL RESEARCH

COURSE SYLLABUS

COURSE TITLE: Legal Research
10017.B2)

COURSE NUMBER: LES 225 (CRN

COURSE MEETING TIMES: 2023

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INSTRUCTOR INFORMATION:

<p>Email:</p> <p>Communication Policy:</p> <p>Office Hours:</p>	<p>Brief Background Information</p>
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COURSE INFORMATION:

45 TOTAL HOURS OF INSTRUCTION:

35 Contact Hours

10 Hours Structured External Assignment
(Research Project)

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This course provides an in-depth look at legal research. Emphasis is placed on providing students with hands-on training in the use of both primary and secondary legal sources including: reported court decisions, constitutions, statutes, administrative regulations, court rules, treaties, legal encyclopedias, and legal periodicals. Various legal and non-legal finding tools such as digests, citators, annotated statutes, legal dictionaries, and form-books are also discussed. Students will also receive training in computer-assisted legal research.

MAJOR INSTRUCTIONAL GOALS:

GOAL A:

Prepare documents necessary for the representation of clients in a legal matter.

Learning Outcomes: Students will be able to:

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C-1 Describe the ethical

EVALUATION PROCEDURES:

Discussion Board
Individual Assignments (14)

60 (6 x 10pts)

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Wednesday at 11:59 each week, and your two follow-up posts are due by Sunday at
11:59 each week.

- x **Capstone** : The final project will be completed during the last week of class and will give you an opportunity to showcase all of the skills you have learned throughout the course. More details will be provided as the course progresses.
 - x **Self-Evaluations**: Weekly self-evaluations will enable you to assess your progress, assess areas for improvement, and assess whether you are maximizing your learning style. I will also be doing self-evaluations for myself and hope to create a safe space to engage and foster success.
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SUGGESTED WEEKLY STUDY SCHEDULE:

Below is a recommended study guide for completing these tasks in a timely manner each week. You may need to modify based on personal, work, and family obligations, but

	<p>understanding. Email the professor with any questions or areas of confusion.</p> <p>Complete & upload written assignment</p>
Sunday	Complete weekly Quiz

COURSE POLICIES:

- x **Required Assignment Completion** : Completion of each of the items listed under the ASSIGNMENTS AND EXAMS section above is required in order pass this course.
 - o Please note that this is a minimum grade requirement course. You must obtain 464 points (out of 602 total) in order to progress in the program. Less than 462 points, while still a "passing" grade, will require that you retake the course before moving on to additional LES courses.
- x **Evaluation Procedures:** Quizzes will be graded within a week of when they are taken. Weekly assignments and discussion boards will be graded and returned at the next class. The final project will be graded

ensuring that work does not suffer from absences. All students are expected to attend every scheduled meeting of each class on time. Exceptions may be made for Wilmington University-

