

PALOMAR COLLEGE
COURSE OUTLINE OF RECORD FOR
DEGREE CREDIT COURSE

Transfer course A.A. degree applicable course
(check all that apply)

COURSE NUMBER AND TITLE: PLS 140 Contract Law

UNIT VALUE: 3

MINIMUM NUMBER OF SEMESTER HOURS: 48

BASIC SKILLS REQUIREMENTS:

Appropriate language and computational skills

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

PREREQUISITE: PLS 121/LS 121 Introduction to Law

COREQUISITE:

RECOMMENDED PREPARATION:

SCOPE OF COURSE:

This course is intended to provide the student with an in-depth analysis of the law pertaining to contract formation, and the resolution of contract disputes. Students will become familiar with basic contract drafting and interpretation.

SPECIFIC COURSE OBJECTIVES: Successful students will:

1. demonstrate knowledge of contract elements necessary for contract formation
2. understand contract performance, including discharge of performance
3. understand breach of contract and apply various remedies
4. demonstrate knowledge of the uniform commercial code provisions relative to contract formation
5. demonstrate the ability to draft contract provisions
6. understand the ethical implications of forming contracts

CONTENT IN TERMS OF SPECIFIC BODY OF KNOWLEDGE:

1. Overview of contracts
 - a. Contract elements
 - b. Classification of contracts
2. Offer
 - a. Requirements of an offer

- b. Required terms
 - c. Uniform Commercial Code exceptions
3. Acceptance
 - a. Requirements
 - b. Methods of acceptance
 - c. Termination of offers
 4. Consideration
 5. Contractual capacity
 6. Legality of subject matter
 - a. Malum in Se: unenforceable
 - b. Malum Prohibitum
 7. Assent
 - a. Fraud
 - b. Misrepresentation
 - c. Mistake
 - d. Duress and undue influence
 8. Contractual provisions/drafting a contract
 - a. Statute of frauds
 - b. Contractual clauses
 - c. Court doctrines
 9. The Uniform Commercial Code (UCC)
 - a. Scope of UCC
 - b. Article II sales
 10. Third party contracts
 - a. Assignment
 - b. Delegation
 11. Discharge of obligations
 - a. Conditions
 - b. Performance
 - c. Breach of contract
 12. Remedies
 - a. Legal remedies
 - b. Equitable remedies
 - c. Contract clauses

REQUIRED READING:

Cross, John. Contract Law, Ohio: Thompson Learning, 2001.

SUGGESTED READING:

Calamari, John. Contracts, 3rd edition, Hornbook Series, St. Paul: West Publishing co., 1987.

REQUIRED WRITING:

OUTSIDE ASSIGNMENTS:

Students are expected to spend a minimum of three hours per unit per week in class and on outside assignments, prorated for short term classes.

INSTRUCTIONAL METHODOLOGY:

Check all that apply:

- lecture
- laboratory
- lecture-laboratory combination
- directed study

DISTANCE LEARNING:

This course may be offered as a distance learning course and meets Title 5 regulations 55370, 55372, 55374, 55376, 55378, and 55380.

Yes No

If yes, check all that apply:

- Television Course (Video one-way, e.g. ITV, video cassette, etc.)
- Online Course (Text one-way, e.g. newspaper, correspondence, electronic file, etc.)
- Two-Way Video Conferencing (Two-way interactive video and audio)
- One-Way Video Conferencing (One-way interactive video and two-way interactive audio)
- Computer Assisted Instruction (A specialized form of mediated instruction relying primarily on student access to information and prepared lessons or teaching materials through a computer terminal, but not under immediate supervision of a qualified instructor.)

GRADING POLICY AND STANDARDS (include methods of determining whether the stated objectives have been met by students):

Midterm:	100 points	90% x 300 points = 270+ = A
Final:	100 points	80% x 300 points = 240+ = B
Contract drafting:	100 points	70% x 300 points = 210+ = C
		60% x 300 points = 180+ = D
		179- = F

IS COURSE REPEATABLE FOR REASON(S) OTHER THAN DEFICIENT GRADE?

Yes No Number of times course may be taken for credit: 1

If yes, identify specific provision of Title 5 Division 2 section(s) 55761-55763 and 58161 which qualifies course as repeatable:

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