COLLECTIVE BARGAINING

Fall 2017

Labor Studies 314:02 Instructor: Rosemarie Cipparulo, Esq.

Tuesday 2:15 p.m.- 5:15 p.m. Office Hours: After Class or by Appointment

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Course Description: This course will explore and analyze the environment, participants, process,

outcomes and impacts of collective bargaining. Students are expected to complete the assigned reading prior to class meetings and be prepared to discuss the material. To facilitate the learning experience, the class will combine small group and class discussions, lectures and exercises. Additionally, students will participate in a mock contract negotiation.

Readings: All readings will be available on Sakai. The reading MUST be done prior to class.

Warning: Cheating will not be tolerated. Anyone caught cheating will automatically fail.

The success of this class depends on your attendance and participation. If there is a problem occurring in your life which prevents you from coming to class or keeping up with assignments, you should tell me. Every effort will be made to accommodate any problems needing accommodation. However, do not wait until after performing poorly on the mid-term or failing the course to bring such matters

to my attention.

Grading: Grades will be computed as follows:

25% Mid-TermExam

50% Mock Bargaining Exercise

10% Bargaining Journal

15% Attendance and Preparation (preparation includes participation and ability to discuss the readings in a knowledgeable manner)

<u>Date</u> <u>Subject and Assignment</u>

September 5 Class Overview; Administrative Matters; Economic Policy Institute

Fact Sheet; Introduction: Historical Background: K & K Chapter 1;

K & K Chapter 2

September 12 The Legal Environment: K & K Chapter 3; Colosi & Berkeley, The

Battle; Film Final Offer

September 15	Abrams and Nolan,	The Meaning	g of Just Cause;	The Role of the

Environment; Bargaining Power: K & K Chapter 4; Kate

Bronfenbrenner, No Holds Barred (2009);

September 22 Permanent Striker Replacement - <u>N.L.R.B v. Mackay Radio &</u>

Telegraph; Colosi and Berkeley, Sections 14 & 15; Film: American

Dream

September 29 Management Organization for Collective Bargaining: K & K

Chapter 5; Union Strategies and Structures for Representing Workers: K & K Chapter 6; Approaching the Negotiation Process; Time Line Management, Colosi On and Off the Record, Colosi on

Negotiation

October 3 Bargaining Structure and Process: K & K Chapter 7; K & K Chapter

8; Exam Review

October 10 Mid-Term Exam

The second half of this semester is devoted to collective bargaining. Bargaining is to be completed and the contracts and bargaining journals must be handed in by the end of the November 28 class. It WILL be necessary to schedule out of class bargaining session/s to assure the assignment is completed on time. All Bargaining Groups must present their contracts to the class on December 5. Each member of any group that cannot agree on a contract must submit a 10 page paper describing the negotiation breakdown and the reasons why they could not come to an agreement. The paper will be due on December 5, 2017.

October 17 Colosi	& Berkeley, The Table Process	Examined: Initial Bargaining

Group Meetings

October 24 Develop Bargaining Proposals

October 31 Bargaining - Grievance Procedure, Hours of Work (including

Overtime)

Preamble, Union Recognition and Union Rights, Nondiscrimination, Union Security and Union Dues

November 7 Bargaining - Layoff and Recall, Travel Expenses, Benefits, Past

Practices, Vacation, Sick and Personal Leave; Holidays

November 14 Wages, Health and Safety, Severability and Savings, Out of Title

Work and Workload, Respect and Dignity, Compensation

November 21 No Class – Thursday Classes on this day.

Bargaining - Duration and Negotiations, No Strikes or Lockouts; Contracts and bargaining journals due by the end of class. November 28

December 5 Contract Review and Grades