

Immigration Law, 38:578:521:90, Fall 2025 Asynchronous Online

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Contact Method: Email using Canvas Inbox feature

Course Overview

Welcome to Immigration Law! In this course, we investigate a variety of topics related to important concepts involving Immigration Law. Throughout the semester, you will have the opportunity to study material on contemporary topics and perspectives related to:

- Understanding Immigration Law in the US
- History of U.S. Immigration
- U.S. Citizenship Status
- Lawful Permanent Resident Status
- Non-Immigrant Status
- Undocumented Immigrants
- Deportation and Removal
- Employment Eligibility Verification
- Labor Laws & Employment Discrimination Laws & Immigrant Workers
- Economic Impact of Immigration

Course Materials

- Required textbook: Immigration Law and Procedure in a Nutshell 8th Edition. David Weissbrodt | Laura Danielson | Howard S. Myers. ISBN: 9781684676101
- Additional required readings are noted in the respective modules (weeks) under Reading & Multi-Media.

Method of Instruction

This course is delivered entirely online through the Learning Management System, **Canvas** in an **asynchronous mode**. There will be no Face-to-Face classroom sessions. The course is structured by weekly modules. Some weeks have assignments, discussions, quizzes, projects etc. Each week is typically comprised of:

- Introduction of the topic for that week

- Readings (Textbook, Professor's notes, PDFs, links to website articles etc.)
- Multimedia (videos, podcasts etc.)

Virtual Office Hours (VOH)

Optional virtual office hours (synchronous, live through the Canvas Conferences feature / Zoom) will be held numerous times through the semester (during lunchtime/ evenings). Dates and details will be provided as the semester progresses.

Class Topics & Schedule

- ☐ Welcome week : Introductions :Meet your Learning Community
- ☐ Week 1 : History of US Immigration
- ☐ Week 2 : U.S. Citizenship Status
- ☐ Week 3 : Lawful Permanent Resident Status - Part 1
- ☐ Week 4 : Lawful Permanent Residence Status - Part 2
- ☐ Week 5 : Non-Immigrant Status
- ☐ Week 6 : Undocumented Immigrants
- ☐ Week 7 : Quiz 1
- ☐ Week 8 : Employment Discrimination Laws
- ☐ Week 9 : Removal and Economic Impact of Immigration (Part 1)
- ☐ Week 10 : Removal and Economic Impact of Immigration (Part 2)
- ☐ Week 11 : Employment Eligibility Verification
- ☐ Week 12 : Important Immigration Laws and Acts
- ☐ Week 13 : Final Project PowerPoint submission
- ☐ Week 14 : Final Project Presentation of PowerPoint
- ☐ Week 15 : Quiz 2

Student Responsibilities

Online learning requires a high level of discipline, dedication, and time management skills. While online learning offers you flexibility and convenience to learn from any place, anytime, *you are still expected to adhere to all due dates*

Methods of Evaluation/Grading Policy/Grading Components

Meet your learning community	5%
Assignment 1: Topics of interest	5%
Naturalization Test questions	5%
Discussion Forum (3 forums) 10% each)	30%
Quiz 1 (multiple choice – open book)	15%
Quiz 2 (multiple choice – open book)	15%
Final Project- Draft submission	5%
Final Project PowerPoint submission	10%
Final Project PowerPoint Presentation	10%
TOTAL	100%

Grading Scale

Points Range	Grade	Performance
90 - 100	A	Outstanding
85 - 89.99	B+	Good
80 - 84.99	B	Good
76 - 79.99	C+	Satisfactory
70 - 75.99	C	Satisfactory
68 - 69.99	D	Poor
67.99 and below	F	Poor

Refer to the Canvas site for the following:

Late Assignments *

Special Needs Accommodations *

Student Affairs - Office of the Dean of Students *

Student Health & Wellness Services *

Student Code of Conduct*

TurnItIn Statement*

Academic Integrity *

Copyright Information Resources *

Syllabus is subject to change if needed as the semester progresses. All details and updates will be made on Canvas.