Course Syllabus

HCM 388

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Office Hours:

Monday  1:00pm-2:00pm
Tuesday  10:00am-12:00pm
Wednesday 1:00pm-2:00pm
Thursday 10:00am-12:00pm

Meetings can be scheduled by appointment as well.

Class Schedule:
Tuesdays 6:00pm-8:00pm
ASA room 14

Course Description:
Principles of law and the U.S. legal system are applied, in part through case study and exploration of current events, in the areas of health care management. Legal issues include malpractice, contracts, corporate liability, professional liability, patient rights, and the legal aspects of managed care.

Course Objectives:
Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to:
1. Utilize the World Wide Web and internet to participate in assignments, class / group projects, pod casts, and phone conferences, simulating the phone / video conferences, trainings, and assignments experienced in the health care management industry.
2. Describe the foundation of the U.S. legal system including the administrative agencies and government departments having the greatest legal/regulatory impact on the health care industry.
3. Understand the basis of tort law with an emphasis on negligence and its relationship to health care providers and managers of health care services.
4. Apply the concept of corporate liability in managing the responsibilities and legal risks of health care organizations.
5. Understand the legal environment in which medical providers, and other allied health workers, practice their professions.
6. Gain an appreciation for the enormous impact of medical malpractice on the costs of health care.
7. Understand the legal ramifications of the major restructuring taking place in managed care and health care in general.
8. Apply legal doctrines and principles in analyzing cases in health law.
9. Have a familiarity with related legal and regulatory issues such as ADA, OSHA requirements, Patient Self-Determination Act, HIPPA, and clinical practice guidelines.

**Textbook:**

The Law of Healthcare Administration (5th Ed.).
Health Administration Press. ISBN: 978-1-56793-957-6

**Student Assessment:**

Tests (3) 50 points each  
Final 50 points  
Presentation 50 points  
Case Analysis (4) 25 points each  
Participation 45 points

Final examination is scheduled for Thursday May 12 at 5:00pm.

**Expectations:**

Cheating will not be tolerated. Any student that is caught cheating will receive a penalty for that assignment or test that could result in 0 points.

Students are expected to turn in college-level work, free from grammatical and other writing errors. If students experience problems with writing they are encouraged to visit the Center for Basic Skills on the SIUC Campus. Points are deducted for poor writing.
Attendance is required. Each class session has the potential for receiving 3 points per class. Points are awarded for attendance, participation, and respect. Participation is relevant information contributed. Respect is handling each subject and conversation with the awareness of others rights and values. Respect also includes arriving on time for class.

Assignments that are submitted late will be assessed a penalty. Prior approval or unforeseen circumstances are allowed for late submission, but must be proven.

EMERGENCY PROCEDURES:

Southern Illinois University Carbondale is committed to providing a safe and healthy environment for study and work. Because some health and safety circumstances are beyond our control, we ask that you become familiar with the SIUC Emergency Response Plan and Building Emergency Response Team (BERT) program. Emergency response information is available on posters in buildings on campus, available on the BERT’s website at www.bert.siu.edu, Department of Public Safety’s website www.dps.siu.edu (disaster drop down) and in the Emergency Response Guidelines pamphlet. Know how to respond to each type of emergency. Instructors will provide guidance and direction to students in the classroom in the event of an emergency affecting your location. It is important that you follow these instructions and stay with your instructor during an evacuation or sheltering emergency. The Building Emergency Response Team will provide assistance to your instructor in evacuating the building or sheltering within the facility.

Stress can be a serious detriment to health and wellbeing. There are various services available at SIU-C. These include the Student Health Center, The Wellness Center in the Student Health Center, the Office of Student Affairs, and your course instructor. Do not hesitate to seek services if needed.