

Catalog Code	Course Number	Credit	Title	Instructor	Instructor Email	Description
757LEC	22920	1	Amateurism & the NCAA	Schafer, Joseph	jwschafe@buffalo.edu	The purpose of this course is to develop a comprehensive understanding of the relationship between the National Collegiate Athletic Association's (NCAA) amateurism bylaws and federal antitrust law, and how that relationship has fundamentally transformed over the past four decades, and especially in the last five years. Upon completion of the course, students should be familiar with the core principles underlying the NCAA's original amateurism model, why federal courts historically granted that model antitrust deference, how NCAA v. Alston dismantled those protections, and how the resulting landscape—defined by NIL collectives, direct revenue sharing, and open questions about student-athlete employment—represents a new era for college sports.
863LEC	22773	2	Advanced Constitutional Law	Mutua, Athena	admutua@buffalo.edu	This 2-credit course meets for eight (8) three-hour classes on Tuesday and Thursdays during the January term, with an in depth focus on and legal analysis of three Supreme Court Cases: Citizens United v. Federal Elections Commission, Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization, and Students for Fair Admissions v. Harvard. These decisions and their aftermath are said to not only jeopardize the civil rights of United States citizens but to threaten our democracy. If so, how so? These questions form the basis of this courses inquiry. Students will have a choice to write a 25-page research paper or to re-write a judicial decision of these cases (majority, concurring or dissent decision) or related cases and issues.

910LEC	22670	1	AI & Law	Marinaccio, Richard F	rjm24@buffalo.edu	AI and the Law will provide an overview of artificial intelligence (AI) and examine the legal, ethical, and regulatory challenges posed by the development and use of AI. Students will explore the impact of AI across various industries and legal areas, including its impact on litigation, commercial transactions, intellectual property, data privacy, and employment law. The course will cover the current and emerging regulatory frameworks surrounding AI technologies and analyze the legal responsibilities of AI developers, users, and regulators. Ethical considerations, such as bias in AI algorithms and accountability, will also be addressed. Students will engage in discussions about the role of lawyers in guiding policy and shaping the legal future of AI. Final class will meet on 1/28/2027.
921LEC	21966	1	Construction Law	Kraengel, Elizabeth	eak4@buffalo.edu	Construction projects often involve multiple contracts covering numerous aspects of the law (e.g., agency, torts, insurance, dispute resolution). The course will examine various aspects of construction law, including: contracting and project delivery methods; the roles and responsibilities of developers, owners, contractors and design professionals; and common claims and methods of dispute resolution, including arbitration under the American Arbitration Association Construction Industry Arbitration Rules.
923LEC	18310	1	Contr Negot & Arbit Prof Sport	Costa, Shane Michael	smcosta@buffalo.edu	This will be a hands-on experience in the legal and practical skills necessary to negotiate and arbitrate a professional sports employment contract. The class will be divided into two-person teams representing management and players. Each team will research, prepare and actively negotiate and arbitrate a professional athlete's contract.

928LEC	20061	2	Commercial Litigation	Savino,William F	wfsavino@buffalo.edu	This course explores the options, tactics, and procedures for commercial transactions which turned adversarial. We follow the subject equipment from purchase order, contract and delivery through malfunction, dispute, and litigation. Working from a record from an actual action (plus miscellaneous samples), we apply Article 2 of the Uniform Commercial Code to pleading, discovery, motion and appellate practice. EACH STUDENT WILL CONDUCT AND DEFEND MOCK DEPOSITIONS AND APPELLATE ARGUMENT AS WELL AS DRAFT DISCOVERY DEMANDS AND PROPOSED DECISIONS. The goal: crafting practical skills through real world case study. Final class will meet on 1/28/2027.
937LEC	18128	1	Business Immigration Law	Behm,Jennifer C	jearly@buffalo.edu	Taking a practical approach to U.S. business immigration law and practice, this course will cover immigration issues of concern to U.S. employers and employees. Students will learn of the fundamental principles and defining concepts of the various temporary and permanent visa categories permitting employment, with a strong focus on cross-border immigration between the U.S. and Canada from the perspective of a local WNY practitioner. Lessons and discussion topics will include: employment options for foreign students studying in the U.S.; the controversial H-1B visa category for specialty occupations; employment under NAFTA and treaty-based immigration options for investors and traders; and the multiple ways to obtain a green card through an employer.

946LEC	21967	2	Introduction to NY Admin Law	Calhoun, Stephanie	scalhoun@buffalo.edu	Lawyers for agencies, regulated industries, and public interest groups understand that New York State administrative agencies wield significant power in the State. The validity of state agencies actions depends on compliance with administrative law. This course explores: sources and limits of agency authority; procedures agencies must use in investigation, rulemaking, and adjudication; and availability and scope of judicial review of agency actions. The course uses a problem orientation to stress practical application of administrative law. Course evaluation will primarily be by a simulated challenge to a New York State Department of Environmental Conservation administrative determination, with written and oral advocacy components.
995LEC	18670	1	Direct & Cross-Exam: Crim	Kubiak,Fonda Dawn	fondakub@buffalo.edu	The purpose of this course is to prepare participants to effectively utilize expert witnesses in criminal cases. In today's litigation, this is the era of the expert witness. The trial of many criminal cases are dominated by the opinions of experts to an extent never before seen in the judicial system. Virtually all cases that go to trial today involve the testimony of expert witnesses. It is therefore critical that trial lawyers know how to use expert witnesses effectively and how to cross-examine their opponent's experts. In many ways, the techniques and tactics of examining expert witnesses are the same as those for other witnesses. In other ways, they can be quite different. This bridge course will explore the law and tactics of expert witnesses, as well as review how to examine ordinary lay witnesses.

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