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My Dear Students

Welcome to Business Law 220 – The Law of Contracts.

I am so excited that you have graciously decided to take our course this semester.

As we return to the University for another year, please know that I appreciate the fact that we live in challenging times.

I am so excited that we will be in our class together, albeit online. I love my students.

Our class will kick off **on January 19, 2023, at 6:00 pm** with a voluntary zoom meeting.

Our class will be fully on-line, with several voluntary zoom meetings for questions.

Class attendance, which will be important, will be by means of our class website at:

**<http://www.bobfarley.us/0300lawclasses/315businesslaw/businesslaw.htm>**

There you will find all our class lectures, powerpoints and accompanying materials.

**We DO NOT use Blackboard as a teaching platform, but only for exams.**

Instead, all Class information will be available at our own class website.

Our class is asynchronous, so you can watch the lectures and read the powerpoints at your own pace.

Our class will have no assignments, other than to watch the lectures and read the powerpoints. We will have some zoom meetings to accommodate questions, and for exam reviews, but all such will be voluntary.

We will have a **midterm exam**, that will be delivered via Blackboard starting on **Thursday, March 9, 2023**, and a **final exam**, that will also be delivered via Blackboard starting on **Thursday, May 4, 2023**.

**The exams, which will be open book, will open at 8am on the start date, and close at 9pm the following day.** They will be timed, and must be completed all in one seating (meaning you cannot start the exam, take a break and then return to it. **The exams will also be open book**, meaning you can use outside written materials to complete them, **but you may not communicate with any other person, in any way during the exam.** The Exams will be timed, but for those who need extra time to complete them, please let me know before you take them, and we will do our best to accommodate you.

Again, the home page for our website is: **<http://www.bobfarley.us/0300lawclasses/315businesslaw/businesslaw.htm>**

There you can find all the lectures, powerpoints, cases and outside materials for our class.

A complete schedule for the class can be found at:

**<http://www.bobfarley.us/0300lawclasses/315businesslaw/schedule.pdf>**

No textbook is required for the class, as all necessary information and materials will be available for your review on our website, but for those who love textbooks, Anderson's Business Law and the Legal Environment, 23<sup>rd</sup> Edition, ISBN: 978-1-305-57508-0, is available at the University bookstore, or online via Cengage Learning.

The complete syllabus for our course can be found at:

**<http://www.bobfarley.us/0300lawclasses/315businesslaw/syllabus.pdf>**

The grading standards and format for the class can be found at:

**<http://www.bobfarley.us/0300lawclasses/315businesslaw/format.pdf>**

Please know that I will do my very best to make our course entertaining, interesting, informative and fun.

I believe in all my students, and I am invested in your success. Quite simply, I am a teacher, and I succeed when you succeed.


A statement of my teaching philosophy can be found here: **<http://www.bobfarley.us/0100aboutbob/philosophy.pdf>**

Please further know that I will always be there to help you, any way that I can. As a result, please feel free to contact me at (518) 986-2037 or at [bobfarley@bobfarley.us](mailto:bobfarley@bobfarley.us) any time (but if you would kindly not call after 11pm or before 7am, unless it's a dire emergency, I would be most grateful).

We will get through any challenges we have together, and I hope we will have an awesome, fun and interesting time.

I look forward to getting to know you, and being your guide through the wonderful world of Business Law!

My Warmest Personal Regards,

Sincerely,  
  
Robert T. Farley