

Introduction to Legal Skills

Legal Analysis

Syllabus

The Introduction to Legal Skills class is intended to provide an overview of two essential lawyering skills: Legal Writing and Legal Analysis. The course describes and lets you practice what will be expected of you in class and on your examinations. It suggests a day to day approach to studying throughout your career at California Western. This booklet contains the materials for the Legal Analysis portion of the course.

Important Notes:

1. The Introduction to Legal Skills course counts as 10% of your Legal Skills I grade.
2. A student who fails one portion of the Introduction to Legal Skills course (either Legal Writing or Legal Analysis) will be considered to have failed the entire Introduction to Legal Skills course.
3. Any classes you miss in the Introduction to Legal Skills course, whether in the Legal Writing portion or the Legal Analysis portion, will count as an absence in your Legal Skills I course.

| Class | Legal Analysis Assignments |
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| 1. | a. Read pages 1-18. b. Complete the Questionnaire on pages 7-8 c. Do the Exercises on pages 15 and 17. |
| 2. | a. Read pages 19-45. b. Prepare the Exercises on pages 25 and 41. Make sure to read and make use of the materials in Appendices A, B, C, and D at the back of this booklet. c. This is a long assignment. Give yourself plenty of time. |
| 3. | a. Read pages 46-60. Prepare the Exercise on page 60. b. Read pages 61-77. c. Work on your outline of Adverse Possession. |
| 4. | a. Read pages 78-89. b. Continue to refine your outline of Adverse Possession. c. Prepare the practice exam distributed last class. An additional timed Practice Exam will be given in the last part of class. This exam will be reviewed by your professor following the class. |
| 5. 3 rd or 4 th Week of September | Feedback session for both Legal Analysis & Legal Writing |