

Property (Spring 2011)

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Requirements

1. Assignments: At the end of each lecture, I will assign reading for the next lecture. You are expected to complete the assignment for the class and, if time allows, read one assignment in advance in case we are able to finish assigned materials early. The syllabus is an aid for planning and I will follow it as much as possible, but I also reserve the right to change it from time to time as I think appropriate. Repeated lack of class preparation or absence from class may result in the lowering of your final grade by one level.
2. Examination: There will be a closed-book exam at the end of the semester, covering materials we have discussed in class.
3. Instructor Availability: My office phone number and email are listed above. I am usually in the office Wednesdays – Fridays. You are welcome to stop by my office at any time to talk about any matter related to this course. You can also make an appointment by sending me an email.

Syllabus (Textbook: Dukeminier, Krier, Alexander & Schill (7th Ed, Apen))

Acquisition of property by conquest (pages 1 – 18)

Acquisition of property by capture (pages 18 – 35, page 114, Note 6)

Acquisition of property by finding (pages 97 – 116)

Adverse possession (pages 116 – 164)

Tenant selection and possession (pages 431 – 438)

Leasehold estates: types (pages 421 – 431)

Assignment and sublease (pages 442 – 459)

Landlord's duties and tenant's duties (pages 482 – 508)

Defaulting tenants (pages 459 – 481)

Fee simple absolute (pages 185 – 198)

Fee tail (pages 198 – 201)

Life estate (pages 202 – 222)

Defeasible fee (pages 222 – 251, 264 – 270)

Future interests (pages 253 – 273)

Trusts and rules furthering alienability (pages 273 – 284, 285 – 317)

Common law concurrent interests (pages 319 – 358)

Marital interests (pages 359 – 387)

Nuisance law (pages 731 – 761)

Easements (pages 765 – 812, 812 – 847)

Covenants running with the land (pages 847 – 924)

Zoning (pages 925 - 968)