Syllabus for Legal Studies 145—Law and Economics I

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*Time:* Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:40pm to 5:00pm

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*Texts:*

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*Office Hours:* McCrary: Tuesday, 2-3:30pm, 598 Simon Hall
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*Reading List:*

I. *Introduction*
   P: Chapters 1 and 2
   CU: Chapters 1 and 3
   Students should be familiar with CU: Chapter 2

II. *Property*
   P: Chapters 3, 4
   CU: Chapters 4, 5 (IA, B, D, IIIA-C, IVA-E)

III. *Contracts*
   P: Chapters 5, 7 and 8
   CU: Chapters 6 and 7

IV. *Torts*
   P: Chapters 6, 9, 12, 13, 14, and 15
   CU: Chapters 8 (I, IIA-I) and 9 (IA, B3, IIA, B, III)

V. *Legal Process*
   P: Chapter 16
   CU: Chapter 10 (I-IV, VA-C, E, VIA, VII)

VI. *Crimes*
   P: Chapters 10, 11
   CU: Chapter 11 (I, IIA-F, H-K), Chapter 12 (I, IIA-C, III, IV, VI, VII)

VII. *Conclusion*
   P: Chapters 17, 18, and 19

*Requirements:*
There will be an in-class midterm examination on Tuesday, March 6
There will be a final examination on Friday, May 11, 2011, from 7-10pm
There will be 6 graded homework assignments; dates are specified on the next page, but may vary depending on the pace of the class. There is also an optional 7th problem set that is ungraded.

*Grades:*
Midterm 30%, Final 60%, Section Participation (including homework) 10%
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5/7 – 5/11 Exam Period

**Final Exam** on Friday, May 11, 7-10pm

Notes: Textbooks referred to with first letter of author last name. For example, “P4” means Chapter 4 of the Polinsky text, and “CU5 (IVA-E)” means Chapter 5, Sections IV.A through IV.E of the Cooter and Ulen text.