

Northwest Arkansas Community College
(Social & Behavioral Sciences Division)

Discipline Code

LEGL

Course Number

2643

Course Title

Contracts

Catalog Description

Examines the fundamental principles of contract law, including contract formation, breach, and remedies under common law, and introduces concepts related to the sale of goods, commercial paper, and secured transactions under the Uniform Commercial Code. Students will learn how to review, interpret, and draft contractual clauses. Special focus will be given to the ethical issues that arise in contract law.

Prerequisites or Corequisites:

LEGL 1043 & LEGL 1104

Credit Hours

3 credit hours

Contact hours

45 contact hours

Load hours

3 load hours

Semesters Offered

Spring

ACTS Equivalent

N/A

Grade Mode

A-F

Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of this course, students should be able to:

- Demonstrate an understanding of basic substantive law of contract, including the elements of a common law contract and the legal vocabulary pertinent to contract law.
- Analyze client fact situations and propose an application of the appropriate contract law.

- Describe the ethical dilemmas facing paralegals who work with attorneys focusing on contract issues.
- Discuss the concepts of burdens of proof and presumptions in law.
- Discuss capacity to contract.
- Explain breach of contract, remedies for breach, and the possible affirmative defenses for a breach.
- Discuss the difference between common law contract formation and contract formation governed by the UCC.
- Recognize the importance of careful wording and sentence structure in contract drafting.
- Define and use common terms used in contract law.

General Education Outcomes Supported

- N/A

Standard Practices

Topics list

- N/A

Learning activities

- N/A

Assessments

- N/A

Grading guidelines

- N/A

