COMMON COURSE OUTLINE: Course discipline/number/title: BUS 2210: Legal Environment of Business

A. CATALOG DESCRIPTION
1. Credits: 3
2. Hours/Week: 3
3. Prerequisites (Course discipline/number): None
4. MnTC Goals (If any): NA

This is a survey course which will provide the student with a basic understanding of the American legal system and its processes and an enhanced understanding of its affect on the modern global business environment. Topics include an introduction to American and international law, ethics, litigation and alternative dispute resolution, administrative law, constitutional law, criminal law, torts, contracts, employment/labor law, consumer protection, intellectual property and real estate law. College level reading and writing skills are recommended for this course.

B. DATE LAST REVISED (Month, year): January, 2014

C. OUTLINE OF MAJOR CONTENT AREAS:
1. Legal Foundations
2. Public Authority in the Business Environment
3. Private Authority in the Business Environment
4. Contract Law
5. Employment Relationship
6. The Regulatory Environment

D. LEARNING OUTCOMES (GENERAL): The student will be able to:
1. Interpret the American legal system through case law, business law decisions and processes and observe the impact on the business environment.
2. Describe the historic roots of our legal system and their impact on our current law.
3. Explain many large divisions of law such as criminal, tort, agency, intellectual property, and employment/labor law with their unique language and legal theories.
4. Explain how a conflict becomes a legal case and how it moves through our judicial system, potentially to the Supreme of the United States.
5. Formulate an overview of business law in an international legal climate.
6. Resolve an ethical business/legal dilemma.
7. Use the citation system and law database resources to study case law decisions.

E. LEARNING OUTCOMES (MNTC): NA

F. METHODS FOR EVALUATION OF STUDENT LEARNING:
Evaluation may include any or all of the following:
1. Objective exams
2. Essay exams
3. Research paper
4. Quizzes
5. Written homework
6. Small group projects
7. Oral presentations

G. RCTC CORE OUTCOME(S) ADDRESSED:
☐ Communication ☐ Civic Responsibility
☒ Critical Thinking ☐ Personal/Professional Accountability
☐ Global Awareness/Diversity ☐ Aesthetic Response

H. SPECIAL INFORMATION (if any): None