

ENR 7520
SCIENCE AND ENVIRONMENTAL LAW
SYLLABUS FALL SEMESTER 2014

COURSE OBJECTIVE

INTRODUCTION

August 28

PERSPECTIVES

Perspectives on the legal process (what the law can/cannot do)
What is the problem? What is the solution? Is the solution a problem?

CONTEXT

“Environmental Movement”

The Tragedy of the Commons, Silent Spring, The Closing Circle, The Limits to Growth; Life Cycle of an Issue; Population and Sustainability

HISTORY OF LAND AND PROPERTY RIGHTS

September 2, 4

Concepts about land and its uses

Property Rights, the Bundle of Sticks model

Government Taking of Land, Government Controlling Land

Public Trust Doctrine

GUEST SPEAKER, *State of Ohio ex rel. Doner v. ODNR*

September 9

THE ANGLO AMERICAN LEGAL SYSTEM
LAW: COMMON AND STATUTORY

September 11

The US Constitution

Legislatures and Statutory Law

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW AND AGENCIES	September 16
COURTS/statutory interpretation	September 18
REVIEW	September 23
TEST	September 25
CASE OR CONTROVERSY: STANDING, MOOTNESS AND RIPENESS COMMON LAW	September 30
PROCESS OF A LAWSUIT; CIVIL CRIMINAL BOP	October 2
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY IN THE LEGAL SYSTEM	October 7, 9
Scientific Uncertainty as policy and in the courts <i>Reserve Mining Co. vs. UA</i> (1974), 1975, the grand finale	
<u>POLLUTION STATUTES</u>	
THE CLEAN AIR ACT	October 14, 16
GUEST LECTURERS: Greenhouse Gases legal issues	October 21
REVIEW	October 23
TEST	October 28
CLEAN WATER ACT	October 30, November 4
RCRA, CERCLA BROWNFIELDS	November 6
VETERAN'S DAY NO CLASS	November 11

GUEST SPEAKER, THE COUNTYWIDE EXPERIENCE November 13

FRACKING November 18

GUEST SPEAKERS November 20
Criminal Enforcement of Environmental Law

TOXIC AND HAZARDOUS WASTES November 25

THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY, no class November 28

CITIZEN SUITS; ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT December 2

REVIEW December 4

FINAL EXAM December 9

5:30-7:15

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