

Transnational Law
3 Credits
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Syllabus Spring 2018

The class meets Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4:10 PM to 5:30 PM (room to be determined). There will be a short 5 minute break at around 4:45 PM.

The desired learning outcome of the Transnational Law course is to afford students the opportunity to equip themselves with the substantive fundamentals of transnational law which will remain relevant throughout a student's later legal career and to establish the legal predicates upon which to pursue upper level courses in international and comparative law. A student successfully completing transnational law should be able to identify core legal issues of a transnational nature facing a lawyer's clients in all phases of legal practice.

Attendance will be taken each class meeting by circulation of a sign-in Roll. Your signature on the sign-in Roll will be the record of your attendance. Please help to make sure the roll gets circulated so everyone can sign. After 4 class absences, a student will be referred to the Dean's office for excess absences. That is, you will not be referred to the Dean's office for excess absences if your total class absences are 4 or less. Once a student is referred to the Dean's office for excess absences at that point, the matter of attendance becomes an administrative issue solely between the student and the Dean's office.

There are no set office hours to meet with Professor Hickey. He will be available to meet with any students at their convenience. To make an appointment, just see Professor Hickey in person before or after class or during class break or in his office, or email him or call him on the phone at your pleasure.

You will be permitted to use computers in class for the purpose of taking notes only. You are **not** permitted to record in any manner (computer, phone, recorders etc.) our classes. Also please turn off your smart phones and other electronic communication devices during class time.

There will be a closed book, 2 ½ to 3 hour, essay examination at the end of the semester. Later in the semester, we will have an extra, voluntary, class session to review together an old examination and to answer it together. The old exam will be distributed in time for you to review by yourselves before our voluntary, extra, review session. A similar format to that old exam which we will review together will be followed for this semester's examination.

Your grade will be based primarily on the examination. There is an opportunity for a one third letter grade "bump up" for a combination of meaningful class participation and attendance at the discretion of the teacher. Your grade will NOT be determined using the mandatory curve since our enrollment is below the number requiring grading by the mandatory curve.

The course materials are comprised of two volumes available from the copy room in the basement in early January. You will need to sign for them with your student number.

Weekly assignments for Volume I of the course materials are below – (the Syllabus assignments for Volume II will be available in early February adjusted to account for our progress):

Week of:

January 8	(We meet on Thursday the 11 th) --“Housekeeping”, Introductory Lecture and pages 5-19
January 15	Pages 20-67
January 22	Pages 67-86
January 29	pages 86-121
February 5	Handout – Hickey, “International Legal Personality” 2 Hofstra L. & Pol’y Symposium 1 (1997). Pages 122-125
February 12	pages 126-166