

Syllabus for HWM 760 Wellness Law

Important Note: The course site does not offer a way to compile pages and print them out. The information under the Syllabus heading in your course is all on separate pages. This document provides the syllabus information in one single document, but with one caveat: For the majority of the courses in this program, **all** of the information on those separate pages is repeated in this compiled document. However, lengthy guidelines, detailed rubrics and policies, and other very detailed information are not included in this document. **Please always check the course pages to make sure you have all of the information you need.**

Instructor Information

Kay Biga, JD, MAM

E-mail: kbiga@uwsuper.edu

Course Description

This course introduces students to the legal and ethical environment of wellness management. Topics include the Affordable Care Act, Americans with Disabilities Act and HIPAA. Students will learn effective negotiation skills that can be used when dealing with contracts and vendors.

Course Learning Outcomes

At the end of the course, students should be able to:

1. Deliver persuasive arguments based on research, trends and data.
2. Analyze current federal and state laws as they impact health and wellness management.
3. Assure organizational policies comply with regulations.
4. Utilize effective negotiation skills regarding contracts, including Requests for Proposals (RFPs).
5. Apply principles of ethics in management decisions.
6. Promote corporate social responsibility.

Course Requirements

Readings/Viewings:

Readings come from the textbooks. Additional resources include articles, videos, and other interactive content interspersed throughout the course.

Assignments:

The assignments provide opportunities to apply the skills and knowledge required for successful completion of the course. Assignments must be well organized, use scholarly tone, follow APA style, be consistent with graduate-level writing/communication style, and be turned in on time. All individual and group assignments should be uploaded via the Dropbox. Check your grades in D2L for feedback on assignments, and refer to the Course Calendar for all due dates.

Participation in Discussions:

Your instructor strives to foster an inclusive, comfortable environment where students are encouraged to participate whether in the form of class discussions, small group activities, or simply personal engagement with the material. Students bring with them a rich diversity of experiences and perspectives. Sharing your views and ideas in class is encouraged as it often adds to the richness of the learning environment and in some cases may spark thoughtful discussion or debate. Differences of opinion are to be expected, but students must be respectful of their fellow students (and instructor) regardless of how you may view their opinions.

A discussion rubric will be used to grade the required discussion assignments. This rubric focuses on categories that define and describe the important components of the discussion. Each category contains a gradation of levels of completion or competence with a score assigned to each level and a clear description of what criteria need to be met to attain the score at each level. In addition, please pay attention to grammar and spelling.

Student Video Presentations:

Beginning in Week 5 and going through Week 13 students will give a short (3-5 minute) video presentation on a chosen Wellness Law court case.

Policy on Late Assignments:

Students are expected to submit assignments by the due dates noted in the course. In extenuating circumstances, the student must contact the instructor as soon as possible to discuss the situation. In those circumstances, the appropriate course of action will be discussed.

Support for Students with Disabilities:

My highest priority is for our class and course work to facilitate participation and exchange. I am eager to make accommodations to guarantee persons with disabilities access to any of the class content. Please let me know as soon as possible if you have a disability for which accommodations will be needed.

Grading Policy

Papers (2)	200
Activities (2)	80
Discussion Posts (7)	84
Study Questions Assignment (12)	108
Current Legal Cases Activity	50
Total	522 Points

A 90-100%

B 80-89%

C 70-79%

D 60-69%

F 59 or less %