COURSE TITLE – MGMT 6381:
LEGAL ASPECTS OF HEALTHCARE ADMINISTRATION
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COURSE DESCRIPTION.
A comprehensive analysis of the more significant legal issues encountered by health care administrators and the ramifications of those issues. The course is appropriate for any student aspiring to become a leader in a company associated with the healthcare industry, including hospitals, medical practices, pharmaceutical companies, and others.

A. METHOD OF INSTRUCTION
The course will incorporate the Socratic method of instruction. The Socratic method is a form of cooperative argument between individuals, based on asking and answering questions to stimulate critical thinking and to draw out ideas and underlying presumptions. Instruction will also involve lecture, group discussion of reading assignments and Blackboard discussions. Competence of the material will be evaluated through course participation, a mid-term examination, and a final examination.

B. COURSE OBJECTIVES
1. Provide a comprehensive understanding of corporate business law
2. Explain the development and sources of law that govern corporations and healthcare organizations
3. Define and explain the legal duties of corporate leaders; define negligence and damages for failure to uphold a legal duty.
4. Describe and explain crimes and torts that can occur in a healthcare setting.
5. Define the basics of contract law and the elements of an enforceable contract.
6. Define the basics of employment law understanding needed by a corporate executive.
7. Review the future of the rapidly-changing healthcare industry and legal implications of changes in technology and challenges to privacy expectations.

C. COURSE TOPICS/UNITS AND DATES
1/16 – Introductions; Course overview; Introduction to Corporate forms of Business
   • Read Chapter 9
1/23 – Risk Management in the Healthcare Environment
   • Read Chapters 4 & 5
1/30 – Medical Staff and Physician Liability
   • Read Chapter 10
2/6 – Patient Rights – Informed Consent
   • Read Chapter 13
2/13 – Patient Rights – End of Life Considerations
   • Read Chapter 18
2/20 – Patient Privacy Rights & HIPAA
   • Read Chapter 15
2/27 – Healthcare Fraud
   • Read Chapter 6
3/6 – Joint Class with ASU Care Coordination Class; Mid-term review
3/13 – Mid-Term Examination
3/20 – Essentials of Contract Law
   • Read Chapter 7
3/27 – Labor and Employment Law Considerations
   • Read Chapters 20 & 21
4/3 – Real Estate Law Considerations
   • Read materials on Blackboard
4/10 – Stark and Anti-kickback law Considerations
   • Read materials on Blackboard
4/17 – Stark and Anti-kickback law Considerations, continued
   • Read materials on Blackboard
4/24 – EMTALA – The Emergency Medical Treatment & Active Labor Act
   • Read Chapter 12
   • Read materials on Blackboard
5/8 – Final Examination

D. TEXTBOOK(S) AND REQUIRED TOOLS OR SUPPLIES

E. GRADING PLAN
1. Class participation (Socratic Method) - 20%
2. Mid-Term Examination – 40%
3. Final Examination – 40%