COURSE TITLE – MGMT 6343: LEGAL ASPECTS OF HEALTHCARE
SPRING 2019, Mondays 6:00 p.m. to 8:50 p.m.

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COURSE DESCRIPTION.
A comprehensive analysis of the more significant legal issues encountered by health care administrators and the business 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
4. Define negligence and damages for failure to uphold a legal duty
5. Describe and explain crimes and civil torts that can occur in a healthcare setting
6. Define the basics of contract law and the elements of an enforceable contract
7. Define the basics of employment law
8. 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
1/14 – Introductions; Course overview; Introduction to Corporate Structure and Corporate Legal Issues
   •  Read Chapter 9
1/21 – Managing to Avoid Risk, Mistakes and Intentional Harm in the Healthcare Environment
   •  Read Chapters 3 & 4
1/28 – Medical Staff and Physician Liability; Legal Risks Facing Doctors
   •  Read Chapter 10
D. TEXTBOOK(S) AND REQUIRED TOOLS OR SUPPLIES

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