

Common Course Outline
MORS 142
Mortuary Law and Practices II
3 Semester Hours

The Community College of Baltimore County

Description

MORS 142 – 3 Credits – Mortuary Laws and Practices II examines the legal principles involved in the conduct of business; covers contracts, agency, bailment, negotiable instruments, legal forms, liability, real property, wills and estates.

3 credits; 3 lecture hours per week

Prerequisites: MORS 141 with a minimum grade of C.

Overall Course Objectives

Upon completion of this course the student will be able to:

1. explain the American system of jurisprudence;
2. distinguish between torts and crimes, and breach of contracts;
3. explain the requirements of a valid contract;
4. apply the Uniform Commercial Code regarding the sale of goods;
5. list the requirements for negotiable instruments;
6. identify the basic forms of business organization;
7. identify and explain the legal issues regarding agencies; and
8. identify the characteristics related to bailment's.

Major Topics

- I. Law
 - a. Common law as a historical foundation of United States law
 - b. Bodies of law
 - c. Sources of United States law
 - d. Case law
 - e. The judicial Process
 - f. United States Supreme Court

- II. Contracts
 - a. Classification of Contracts
 - b. Elements of a contract
 - c. Written contracts
 - d. Performance, discharge, and remedies of contracts
 - e. Assignments and third party contracts

- III. Sales
 - a. Controlling bodies of law
 - b. Terminology
 - c. Transfer of title and risk of loss
 - d. Warranties
 - e. Consumer Protection

- IV. Bailment's and Carriers
 - a. Bailment's

- V. Commercial Paper (negotiable instrument)
 - a. Classification of commercial paper
 - b. Requirements for negotiability
 - c. Transfer of Negotiable instruments

- VI. Employment
 - a. Employer
 - b. Employee
 - c. Independent contractor
 - d. Agent

- VII. Business organization
 - a. Sole proprietorship
 - b. Partnership
 - c. Corporation
 - d. Limited liability company (LLC)

Course Requirements

Grading/exams: There will be no extra credit given in any Mortuary Science Class. Final examinations in all Mortuary Science classes will be comprehensive.

Grading Scale: The following is the grading scale used in all mortuary science classes.

A = 92 – 100	Test I	20%
B = 85 – 91	Test II	20%
C = 78 – 84	Test III	20%
D = 70 – 77	Test IV	20%
F = 0 – 69	Comprehensive Final	<u>20%</u>
		100%

Other Course Information

This course is a requirement for an Associate in Applied Science in the Mortuary Science Curriculum, which, in the State of Maryland, is required to sit for the National Board Examination (NBE). The NBE is implemented by the International Conference of Funeral Service Examining Boards (www.CFSEB.org). The Mortuary Science Program is statewide designated by the

Maryland State Board of Higher Education and is nationally accredited by the American Board of Funeral Service Education (www.CFSEB.org).

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Individual faculty members may include additional course objectives, major topics, and other course requirements to the minimum expectations stated in the Common Course Outline