**SYLLABUS**

**Required Text:** Animal Rights Current Debates and New Directions (AR) (Cass R. Sunstein & Martha C. Nussbaum, eds., 2005). Supplemental Materials are available online and by request at the Bookstore

**Recommended Reading:** On reserve in Library or URLs¹

**Office Hours:** 4:30-5:30 p.m., Mondays – Thursdays

**Grading:** 40% class participation; 60% final exam

**Exam:** Open-book, take-home, anonymous grading, due 3:00 pm, July 21

**Required Reading:** Advance reading required for first class

**Volunteer Students:** Requested to brief cases marked by an asterisk

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**Week One: July 9 - 12**

**CLASS I:**

**Monday, July 9:** **Course Introduction:** Overview Animal Ethics and the Pursuit of Enhanced Welfare

**Required Reading:**

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**Recommended Reading:**


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¹ RR is not necessary for the class. These materials provide additional information and legal authority for the issues discussed in the corresponding class.

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Victoria Braithwaite, Do Fish Feel Pain? (2010).

CLASS II:
Tuesday, July 10: Federal Wildlife Laws and Animal Welfare

**Required Reading:**

SM00098*  Strong v. Secretary of Commerce, 5 F.3d 905 (5th Cir. 1993).
SM00100  United States v. Hayashi, 5 F.3d 1278 (9th Cir. 1993).
SM00121  Tilikum’s Public Display Permit (October 7, 1992).
SM00140  United States v. McKittrick, 142 F.3d 1170 (9th Cir. 1998).
SM00143  United States v. Clavette, 135 F.3d 1308 (9th Cir. 1998).
SM00145  People for Ethical Treatment of Animals, Inc. v. Miami Seaquarium, 879 F.3d 1142 (11th Cir. 2018).
SM00175  Kuehl v. Sellner, 887 F.3d 845 (8th Cir. 2018).

**Recommended Reading:**


CLASS III:
Wednesday, July 11: Federal Avian Protection Laws and Animal Welfare

**Required Reading:**

SM00183*  United States v. Apollo Energies, Inc., 611 F. 3d 679 (10th Cir. 2010).
SM00189*  United States v. CITGO Petroleum Corp., 801 F. 3d 477 (5th Cir. 2015).
SM00201  Should the Hopi people continue to have the right to kill eagles? No, Denver Post (May 23, 2013).
SM00207  United States v. Cullen, 499 F.3d 157 (2d Cir. 2007).
SM00212  PETA v. USDA, 797 F.3d 1087 (D.C. Cir 2015).

**Recommended Reading:**\(^2\)


**CLASS IV:**

**Thursday, July 12:**  **International Law, Trafficking, Treaties, and Animal Welfare**

**Mandatory Hot Topics Lecture/Brown Bag Lunch:**

*July 12, noon to 1:00 p.m. - Protecting Elephants Near and Far -- Hurdles and Victories in the Struggle to Improve Elephant Lives*

**Required Reading:**

| SM00275 | Compassion in conservation: Don’t be cruel to be kind. New Scientist. (2014). |

**Recommended Reading:**


**Mandatory Media Screening Event:**

*Visual Media and Art in Ocean Conservation and Animal Protection - Media Presentations and Panel Discussion beginning at 6:30 pm, Location To Be Determined. Event is open to the public. Bring a friend!*

\(^2\) Note -- Volunteer students will be asked to read and discuss these dueling opinions -- one student for each.
Week Two: July 16 - 19

CLASS V:
Monday, July 16: The Federal Animal Welfare Act

Required Reading:
| SM00431 | ALDF v. Glickman, 204 F.3d 229 (D.C. Cir. 2001). |

Recommended Reading:
**CLASS VI:**  
**Tuesday, July 17:**  
**Property Status and the Evolution of Rights**

**Required Reading:**
- SM00532 Gary L. Francione, Taking Animal Interests Seriously, *AR Chapter 5.*
- SM00588 Richard A. Epstein, Animals As Objects, or Subjects, of Rights, *AR Chapter 6.*

**Recommended Reading:**

**CLASS VII:**  
**Wednesday, July 18:**  
**Legal personhood responses for animals.**

**Required Reading:**
- SM00624 Steven M. Wise, Animal Rights, One Step at a Time, *AR Chapter 1.*
- SM00699 Nonhuman Rights Project, Inc. on Behalf of Tommy v. Lavery, 998 N.Y.S 2d 248 (3d Dept. 2014).
- SM00754 Steven M. Wise, Letter from the Front Lines of the Struggle for Nonhuman Rights: The First 50 Months, Medium (Jan. 19, 2018),
Recommended Reading:
Steven M. Wise, Rattling the Cage (2011).

CLASS VIII:  
Thursday, July 19:  Emerging Legal Strategies

Required Reading:
SM00822     Naruto v. Slater, Complaint.
SM00844     Naruto v. Slater, 888 F.3d 418 (9th Cir. 2018).

Recommended Reading:

FINAL EXAM  
Due by 3:00 pm, July 21  
Open-book, take-home, anonymous grading