

White Collar Crime
Course Syllabus
Vermont Law School
Spring 2020

Class Time: M/W 11:20 a.m. - 12:35 p.m.

Location: Map Room

Instructor: Professor Jennifer Taub

Office Hours: To be announced

Text

Brickey & Taub *Corporate and White Collar Crime: Cases and Materials* (6th Edition 2017)

Course Overview and Learning Outcomes

White Collar Crime balances black letter law with current, high-profile examples of corporate felonies and fiascos.

Students will learn how to read and parse statutes, regulations and associated case law in order to identify and apply the elements of the following federal criminal offenses: conspiracy, mail fraud, wire fraud, securities fraud, false statements, obstruction of justice, RICO, and environmental crimes

Requirements

- Read the materials, and attend and participate in class. Class participation factors into the final grade.
- Complete an ungraded practice midterm take home exam and take home final exam (or paper for writing credit).

Respect:

An important line exists between challenging an idea and challenging the person who expresses that idea. We should treat each other with dignity and respect. Conflicting views will create dynamic discussions and help each of us refine our thinking. However, personal attacks whether express or subtle will stifle communication. Let us work together to think and speak critically of ideas and not of each other.

Flexibility:

This syllabus is a guide. I will make reasonable efforts to communicate to you any material changes to this guide. However, please keep in mind that changes, additions and deletions may be made without notice.

#	Topic	Assignments
Class 1 Jan. 13	Watch the documentary Fyre: The Greatest Party that Never Happened	Link https://www.netflix.com/title/81035279
Class 2 Jan. 15	Introduction to White Collar Crime Corp. Criminal Liability and Corp. Prosecution Policy	1 - 24
Class 3 Jan. 22	Respondeat Superior Criminal Intent Model Penal Code	24 - 51
Class 4 Jan. 27	Personal Liability in an Organizational Setting	53 - 66
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Class 6 Feb. 3	Conspiracy	83 - 98
Class 7 Feb. 5	Conspiracy	98 - 109
Class 8 Feb. 10	Mail Fraud	111 - 143
Class 9 Feb. 12	Mail Fraud	143 - 168
Class 10 Feb. 17	Securities Fraud	177 - 193
Class 11 Feb. 19	Securities Fraud	193 - 216
Class 12 Feb. 24	Securities Fraud	216 - 227
Class 13 Feb. 26	False Statements	229 - 252
Class 14 March 2	False Statements	252 - 276
Class 15 March 4	Obstruction of Justice	319 - 349
Class 16 March 16	Obstruction of Justice	349 - 372
Class 17 March 18	Obstruction of Justice	372 - 391
Class 18 March 23	Bribery of Public Officials	395 - 419
Class 19 March 25	Bribery of Public Officials	419 - 437
Class 20 March 30	RICO	451 - 472
Class 21 April 1	RICO	472 - 495
Class 22 April 6	RICO	496 - 517

Class 23 April 8	Environmental Crimes	627 - 648
Class 24 April 13	Environmental Crimes	650 - 671
Class 25 April 15	Environmental Crimes	671 - 687
Class 26 April 20	Sanctions	689 - 725
Class 27 April 22	Sanctions	725 - 750
Class 28 TBA	Review	