

**SADDLEBACK COLLEGE  
BUSINESS SCIENCE DIVISION  
COURSE SYLLABUS  
CIMS-250 CYBERLAW (Online)**

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**02/16/16 through 05/23/16**  
**Semester:** Spring 2016  
**Ticket No:** 11155  
**Room:** Internet

**Office Hours:** Jan 19 to Mar 15 2:00PM to 3:00PM then Mar 29 to May 17 5:00PM to 6:00PM BGS-221 and Jan 19 to May 23 Virtual 10:00PM to 11:00PM M, W, Th, and F  
<https://saddleback.blackboard.com/>

**COURSE DESCRIPTION:**

Helps students understand the legal and policy issues associated with the Internet. Tackling a full range of legal topics, it includes discussion of jurisdiction, intellectual property, contracts, taxation, torts, computer crimes, online speech, defamation and privacy. Topics include relevant cases, discussion questions and exercises. (Formerly CIM 294)

**COURSE OBJECTIVES:**

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

1. Describe some of the legal issues related to the use of the Internet.
2. Explain the distinction between a passive and an interactive Web site and why that distinction is relevant to Internet jurisdiction.
3. Explain the difference between trademark infringement and trademark dilution and how they may apply to the online environment.
4. Discuss the elements that make up the defense of "fair use" in the online context.
5. Explain the challenges of protecting trade secrets on a global scale.
6. Identify requirements establishing the validity of electronic signatures.
7. Explain a use tax and how it may be used in e-commerce.
8. Explain how the Internet has changed methods of raising capital.
9. Explore workplace privacy issues, in particular, the monitoring of employee computer use and electronic mail (e-mail).
10. Discuss the elements in proving or establishing liability for transmitting obscene material.
11. Discuss the liability for defamation of online and Internet service providers and others operating in cyberspace.
12. Explain how cryptography and steganography work.

13. Explain the various ways of committing an Internet crime, such as hacking, cracking, spoofing, sending e-mail bombs, viruses, and worms.

### **STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES:**

Students will be able to:

1. Define and identify the various terms and vocabulary related to cyberlaw topics
2. Identify the background to and elements of intellectual property, online contracting, crime, tort law, and other areas as covered by the assignments
3. Apply their critical thinking skills to analyze and solve e-commerce problems

### **STUDENT RESOURCES:**

**Text Book:** “CyberLaw-The Law of the Internet and Information Technology”; Brian Craig; Pearson; 2013; ISBN# 978-0-13-256087-0; also available in the Saddleback College Bookstore.

### **POLICIES AND PROCEDURES:**

- 1.) Courteous and proper behavior is expected and required in this class.
- 2.) Academic Dishonesty: Plagiarism and cheating are serious offenses and may be punished by failure on exam, paper or project; failure in course; and or expulsion from the College. For more information refer to the “Code of Conduct” policy in the Saddleback College Student Handbook (available online at <http://www.saddleback.edu/media/pdf/handbook.pdf>).

For this class, it is permissible to assist classmates in general discussions. General advice and interaction are encouraged. **HOWEVER**, each student must develop his or her own solutions to all assigned work. In other words, students may **NOT** “work together or help each other” on any Graded Work.

### **REGULAR EFFECTIVE CONTACT:**

Regular Effective Contact shall be via the Discussion Board in the class’s Blackboard site with a minimum of two (2) weekly active discussions.

### **ASSIGNMENTS AND TESTS:**

Reading assignments are required each week. Quizzes are to be completed each week according to the class schedule. All testing will consist of a combination of multiple-choice, fill-in, true/false, and short-answer. LATE work will NOT be accepted. MISSED quizzes CANNOT be made up.

### **E-Mail:**

Every student is assigned a college e-mail account and pin number (password). **Do not** change your e-mail address. If you prefer to receive e-mail at another address, go to <http://www.saddleback.edu> and then to MySite, select “E-mail” and follow the instructions under “Account Information” to automatically **forward** your messages to the address of your choice.

**ACCESS TO BLACKBOARD (SADDLEBACK’S ONLINE PORTAL):**

Go online to <http://soccdd.blackboard.com> , click on “Logon.” Your user name and password is the same as your e-mail. If you have a problem, a link to the Blackboard Help Desk and a toll free number are listed to the right of the login. If you have additional questions or problems, go to <http://www.saddleback.edu/de/help1.html> for the Student Technical Support site.

**STUDENTS RESPONSIBILITY:**

It is the STUDENTS RESPONSIBILITY to officially withdraw (DROP) from the class by the appropriate date.

**GRADING:**

Final grades will be determined on an exact percentage scale; there will be no deviation from this scale.

90-100%	=A	90%-Quizzes
80-89%	=B	10%-Discussion board posts
70-79%	=C	
60-69%	=D	
Below 60%	=F	

Final grade percentage is determined through a weighted average of the exams and discussion board. Students having the course PASS/NO PASS must receive 70% or above for a passing grade.

**STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES:**

If you need course adaptations or accommodations because of a disability or if you need special arrangements, please contact me as soon as possible. Contact Disabled Student Services to register and verify your disability: Telephone 582-4885 (voice) or 582-4833 (TDD).

*This course meets the requirements set forth in the accessibility checklist and universal design grid provided by Special Services. The Web pages, video presentations, textbooks and class materials in this course are accessible to students with disabilities.*

**IMPORTANT DATES:**

<b>First Week of Class Begins:</b>		Tuesday, 2/16/2016
<b>Add without Instructor Permission by:</b>		Monday, 2/15/2016
<b>Last Day to Add with APC*:</b>		Wednesday, 3/2/2016
<b>Drop with Refund by:</b>		Wednesday, 2/24/2016
<b>Elect Pass/No Pass by:</b>		Monday, 3/14/2016
<b>Drop without 'W' Grade by:</b>		Wednesday, 3/2/2016
<b>Drop with 'W' Grade by:</b>		Wednesday, 4/20/2016
<b>Last Week of Class Ends:</b>		Monday, 5/23/2016

**THIS COURSE SCHEDULE IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE AND MAY BE MODIFIED.**

**COURSE SCHEDULE**

<b><u>Week</u></b>	<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Activity</u></b>
<b>1</b>	Feb 16-Feb 21	Read Chapter #1-Jurisdiction and Venue in Cyberspace
		Take the Chapter #1 Exam by the end of this week.
		Post and Participate in Discussion #1
<b>2</b>	Feb 22-Feb 28	Read Chapter #2-Copyright Law in the Digital Age
		Take the Chapter #2 Exam by the end of this week.
		Post and Participate in Discussion #2
<b>3</b>	Feb 29-Mar 06	Read Chapter #3-Trademarks in E-Commerce
		Take the Chapter #3 Exam by the end of this week.
		Post and Participate in Discussion #3
<b>4</b>	Mar 07-Mar 13	Read Chapter #4-Patents and Trade Secrets in the Information Age
		Take the Chapter #4 Exam by the end of this week.
		Post and Participate in Discussion #4
<b>5</b>	Mar 14-Mar 20	Read Chapter #5-E-Commerce and Online Contracts
		Take the Chapter #5 Exam by the end of this week.
		Post and Participate in Discussion #5
<b>6</b>	Mar 21-Mar 27	<b>NO CLASS! Spring Break!</b>
<b>7</b>	Mar 28-Apr 03	Read Chapter #6-Online Tax Related Issues
		Take the Chapter #6 Exam by the end of this week.
		Post and Participate in Discussion #6
<b>8</b>	Apr 04-Apr 10	Read Chapter #7-Computer Crimes
		Take the Chapter #7 Exam by the end of this week.
		Post and Participate in Discussion #7
<b>9</b>	Apr 11-Apr 17	Read Chapter #8-Tort Law in Cyberspace
		Take the Chapter #8 Exam by the end of this week.
		Post and Participate in Discussion #8
<b>10</b>	Apr 18-Apr 24	Read Chapter #9-Online Speech and Defamation
		Take the Chapter #9 Exam by the end of this week.
		Post and Participate in Discussion #9
<b>11</b>	Apr 25-May 01	Read Chapter #10-Constitutional and Statutory Privacy Protections
		Take the Chapter #10 Exam by the end of this week.
		Post and Participate in Discussion #10
<b>12</b>	May 02-May 08	Read Chapter #11-Special Topics in Online Privacy
		Take the Chapter #11 Exam by the end of this week.
		Post and Participate in Discussion #11
<b>13</b>	May 09-May 15	Time to catch up on your work.
<b>14</b>	May 16-May 23	NO FINAL EXAM

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**Note:**

**1.)**

**Read**

**EVERY**

**section.**

**2.) View the video presentations.**

**3.) Take the Section Quiz as listed above, by the end of the appropriate week.**

**4.) Respond to the appropriate weeks Discussion Questions.**