

LEG-011 : Legal Research

45 classroom hours

Learning Outcomes: Students will learn how to use the law library and Westlaw or Lexis to find legal authority that is on point. Students will learn the basic principles of legal analysis and writing, and will be able to brief a case and research and write an office memorandum of law. Students will be able to cite authorities correctly and to update and validate citations using Shepard's citations. Topics include: Federal and state statutes, cases, and administrative regulations; reading and understanding caselaw and statutes; use of encyclopedias, annotations, legal periodicals, and other secondary authority; use of digests, indexes, and other finding aids; citation form; cite-checking and validation of authority; use of Shepard's citations; research methods; legal resources available on the Internet.

Instructional Method

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Required Prerequisites

Prerequisite or Corequisite: [LEG-010](#)

Semester Offered

Fall

Spring