Theories and Tools for Combatting Corruption
Law E513 A/B

Mondays 3:30 – 5:20 p.m. **
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Course Description: Corruption has long been identified as an obstacle to development, and ‘cost of doing business’ in many countries. This course examines theories, causes and consequences of corruption, and select regimes established to combat and measure it, e.g., UN Convention Against Corruption, OECD Anti-Bribery Convention, U.S. Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, and Corruption Perceptions Index of Transparency International.

Learning Goals and Objectives: By the end of this course, students will be able to

- Understand structural causes, costs and implications of and rationalizations for corruption in general, and as it relates to developing countries;
- Identify stakeholders and constituencies, as well as the roles played by various domestic and international actors;
- Understand the current international framework addressing corruption and a sampling of bilateral anti-corruption efforts;
- Critically analyze anti-corruption measures in use and identify possible barriers for combatting corruption;
- Propose potential suitable alternative measures.

** Due to scheduled holidays, this course has two make-up classes that will meet on Wednesday January 23 and Wednesday February 20. Both make-up classes will be held in Room 119, from 5:30 – 7:20 p.m.
Evaluation and Grading:
Regular attendance at all class sessions (including rescheduled make-up sessions required by University Monday holidays or faculty travel commitments) is required in accordance with ABA accreditation standards. (See course calendar on TWEN website).

Student evaluation is based on three components: class participation (as determined in the judgment of the instructors), both in class and through the course TWEN website’s discussion forum (25%); individual contribution (written product) to team strategy report (25%); and final team strategy presentation (Spring Quarter) (50%). The group presentation will be more fully described in class: briefly, at the initial class session, and in detail, at the final class session of Winter Quarter.

Course Schedule and Required Texts:
WEEK 1: Causes / theories of corruption


WEEK 2: Guest Lecturer Phil Nichols, Wharton School
History / kinds / costs and implications of corruption


WEEK 3: Corruption by regions – Africa, Asia
**CLASS MEETS Wednesday from 5:30 – 7:20 p.m. due to Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday**


**WEEK 4: Perceptions of and measuring corruption**


**WEEK 5: International and domestic attempts to combat corruption – FCPA, OECD**


• Text of OECD Anti-Bribery Convention and related commentary and Recommendation, pp. 1-30.

  [http://www.newyorker.com/talk/financial/2012/05/14/120514ta_talk_surowiecki](http://www.newyorker.com/talk/financial/2012/05/14/120514ta_talk_surowiecki)

**WEEK 6: International framework to combat corruption – AML, UNCAC**


• See also, links to Financial Action Task Force (FATF) and UN Convention Against Corruption (UNCAC) materials on TWEN site.
WEEK 7: Corruption in development aid
**CLASS MEETS Wednesday from 5:30 – 7:20 due to Presidents’ Day holiday**


WEEK 8: Strategies for combatting corruption


WEEK 9: Guest Lecturer Alexandra Wrage, Trace International

Corporate anti-corruption strategies

- See also materials supplied by Guest Lecturer Alexandra Wrage via TWEN site.

WEEK 10: Explanation and preparation for 2nd quarter exercise
**Required Texts:**

- Course Pack, also available at the University Book Store.
- Links to any additional materials can be found on the course TWEN site, under the weeks for which they are assigned.