

RD F675 Federal Indian Law in Alaska: Land, Water and Subsistence

Fall 201X Course Outline

Course meets TBA 5.10 to 8.10pm

Note: Students must have graduate standing or instructor permission to enroll in RD F675

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Course Description: Examination of the history of federal Indian law and its implementation in Alaska. Key laws including the Indian Reorganization Act (IRA) Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (ANCSA) and the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act (ANILCA) are examined in terms of how they have altered the political landscape in Alaska. Indian legislation is explored with special consideration for how different 3 Tw 0.9(a)0[pe]9.s

Written Exam (1) 30%: Comprehensive online exam covering interpretation of legislation and specific case law examined in class. Students will use the texts of the different laws and the assigned cases during this open book exam. The three hour exam will include some short essay questions.

F (59% or lower) =Unacceptable work. Does not meet minimum requirements. Indicates failure. Included in GPA calculations

Student Expectations: All submitted assignments must show reflection and scholarship. Students are expected to use legal writing style with footnotes incorporating proper legal citations.

Students should contact the instructor(s) if they have questions about the course overview, objectives, and organization, grading or student expectations. The contact information is included with this syllabus.

Instructor Policy on Late Submissions, Incomplete Grades and No Basis Grades: There will be no “NB” grades awarded in this course. Students must obtain instructor permission in advance if an unexpected event will result in late submission of the written assignment. Late assignments will not be accepted without prior arrangement. Incomplete grades will only be awarded in extreme circumstances and students should contact the instructor immediately if life events lead them to believe they might need to request an “I” grade.

Plagiarism: Plagiarism is quoting from, paraphrasing, or using specific material contained in any published work, e.g., books, periodicals, public documents, internet, or another person’s ideas without providing appropriate citations or recognitions. Self-plagiarism is using all or part of a paper that was written previously for a different class or assignment and failing to indicate that it is earlier work. NOTE: Material copied from a course lecture or web link but not appropriately cited is considered to be plagiarism. Plagiarism can result in an “F” grade in this course. Students should contact the instructor if they have questions on this topic.

Students with Disabilities: Students with a documented disability requiring accommodation should notify the instructor at the beginning of the semester. The Office of Disability Services implements the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and ensures that UAF students have equal access to the campus and course materials. The instructor will work with the Office of Disabilities Services to provide reasonable accommodations to students with disabilities. (907-474-5655).

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Title IX : University of Alaska Board of Regents have clearly stated in BOR Policy that discrimination, harassment and viole

There is a lot of reading in this class and it is incumbent on the student to stay current with all required readings. Weekly readings from the texts are found in the lecture notes for that week, but students are expected to have read both the entire texts by the completion of the course. The texts are intended to provide background for our weekly subjects but we will not be “going over” the text in class; as graduate students you are expected to bring any questions you have about content in the text to the instructor for guidance. You should also be referring to the texts in your writing.

The lecture notes may include links to legislations or other readings which are required. In addition, the following required materials will be provided in the Blackboard(e)-1-8.1(a1 1 Tf--3.7(g)-8.3(o)1-8(n e)-1(nt)(a1 11nt)-4

Lecture notes and assigned reading from texts.
"ANCSA Highlights" (provided with lecture notes)
Alaska Native Allotment Act
District Organic Act 1884
Treaty of Cession 15 Stat. 539
United States v Berrigan
United States v Cadzow
ANCSA text

WEEK FIVE

Lecture notes and assigned reading from texts.
Indian Reorganization Act 1934
Indian Reorganization Act Alaska amendment 1936
USC Title 18 Indian Country
25 CFR 151 New Final Rule
1993 Solicitors Opinion on Tribal Jurisdiction in Alaska
Definition of Indian Country
Indian Country and the Nature of Tribal Self Government in Alaska (Strommer and Osborne)
Optional for extra credit: Interpreting Indian Country in State of Alaska v. Native Village of Venetie (Carpenter)
Venetie v State of Alaska
Senate Hearing 112 on IRA 2011 (optional)

WEEK SIX

Lecture notes and assigned reading from texts.
Akiachak v Interior decision
Traditional Cultural Districts: An Opportunity for Alaska Tribes (Ristroph, Elizaveta B.)
Whatever Happened to the Seveloff Fix? (Harrington, Andrew)
25 USC 2801
Testimony of David Case 3/23/2004
Senate Hearing 112 on IRA 2011

WEEK SEVEN

WEEK TWELVE