Corporate Law and Economics
MSPE 590
Outline of Topics

Introduction:
  Common Law and Precedent
  Statutory and Regulatory Law
  Constitutional Law – Regulation
  Constitutional Law – Rights

Property Law:
  Origins of Private Property
  Coase Theorem and Private Nuisance
  Regulation and the Rational Basis Test
  Patents and Copyrights

Contract Law:
  Expectations Damages and Futures Markets
  Uniform Commercial Code Remedies
  Contract Formation and Mergers
  Requirements Contracts and Breach

Corporations:
  Origins of Corporations
  Duties of Loyalty and Care
  Corporate Statements
  Insider Trading

Takeover Battles and Defenses:
  Tender Offers and Freeze-Out Mergers
  Unocal and Revlon Duties for Takeover Defenses
  Poison Pills
  Proxy Contests

Product Liability:
  Duty of Reasonable Care (Negligence)
  Strict Product Liability
  Duty to Warn
  Punitive Damages

Bankruptcy:
  Reorganization
  Mass Torts – Asbestos
  Rejection of Union Contracts
  General Motors