

**LAWYERING SKILLS AND STRATEGIES I  
DRAFT SYLLABUS—FALL 2013**

<b>CLASS PERIOD</b>	<b>CLASS TOPIC</b>	<b>CLASS READINGS</b>	<b>ASSIGNMENTS DUE</b>
Class 1A	Lawyering Skill: The U.S. Legal System and Legal Authority	<i>Edwards</i> pp. 5-8, 13-16, 23-28 <i>Sloan</i> pp. 2-9	<i>Edwards</i> Ex. 2-4 (p. 24) <i>Edwards</i> Ex. 2-5 (p. 26)
Class 1B	Lawyering Skill: Identifying Issues	LSS Handout #1	Issue Spotting Ex.
Class 2A	Lawyering Skill: Reading and Understanding Cases and Statutes	<i>Edwards</i> pp. 17-22, 31-36, 45-50	Case Brief
Class 2B	Lawyering Skill: Deriving and Understanding Rules of Law	<i>Edwards</i> pp. 36-41, 79-88	Rule Synthesis Ex.
Class 3A	Lawyering Skill: Legal Analysis I	<i>Edwards</i> pp. 51-53	Statutory Interpretation Ex.
Class 3B	Lawyering Skill: Legal Analysis II	<i>Edwards</i> pp. 55-63, 119-121	Analogical Reasoning Ex.
Class 4A	Lawyering Skill: Communicating Your Analysis in Writing (CR[e]AC)	<i>Edwards</i> pp. 3-4, 67-77, 91-99, 103-109, 122-127	None
Class 4B	Lawyering Skill: Communicating Your Analysis in Writing (CR[e]AC)	Review <i>Edwards</i> pp. 3-4, 67-77, 91-99, 103-109, 122-127	None
Class 5A	Lawyering Skill: Interviewing Clients	LSS Handout #2	Client Interview Ex.
Class 5B	Lawyering Skill: Writing Professional Letters	<i>Edwards</i> pp. 147-159	<b>WRITING EXERCISE I</b>
Class 6A *	Lawyering Skill: Introduction to Legal Research and Legal Citation	<i>Edwards</i> pp. 9-11, 247-258 <i>Sloan</i> pp. 9-21, 27-41, 299-319 ICW pp. vii-viii and ICW Handout	None
Class 6B	Lawyering Skill: Legal Research and Legal Citation (Secondary Sources, Statutes, and Cases)	<i>Sloan</i> pp. 43-61, 68-84, 173-190, 204-211 ICW Ch. 6, 7, 8, 11, 16	ICW Online Intro Quiz
Class 6C	Lawyering Skill: Legal Research and Legal Citation (Secondary Sources, Statutes, and Cases)	<i>Sloan</i> pp. 93-112, 124-134 ICW Ch. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5	ICW Online Exercises 11, 16
Class 7A	Lawyering Skill: Legal Research (Electronic Research Services)	<i>Sloan</i> pp. 61-68, 112-123, 143-169, 191-204, 271-298	ICW Online Exercises 6-8
Class 7B	Lawyering Skill: Legal Research (Electronic Research Services)	ICW Ch. 9	Electronic Research Ex. ICW Online Exercises 1-3

\* Classes 6A-6C will be *combined* this week.

Class 8A <sup>†</sup>	Lawyering Skill: The Predictive Memorandum (Overview, Question Presented, and Brief Answer)	<i>Edwards</i> pp. 131-139	<b>WRITING EXERCISE II</b>
Class 8B	Lawyering Skill: The Predictive Memorandum (Statement of Facts)	<i>Edwards</i> pp. 139-142	ICW Online Exercises 4-5
Class 8C	Lawyering Skill: The Predictive Memorandum (Discussion and Conclusion)	<i>Edwards</i> pp. 111-117, 143-145	ICW Online Exercise 9
<b>October 21</b>	<b>Legal Citation Exam Section B1 and Section C1 will meet in Room ??? at 9:00 a.m.</b>		
Class 9A	Lawyering Skill: Legal Citation (Texas Rules of Form I)	LSS II Handout #3 Skim <i>Greenbook</i> pp. iii-v, 5-28, 42-61, 106-114, 117-118	Bring <i>Bluebook</i> , <i>Greenbook</i> , and computer to class
Class 9B	Lawyering Skill: Legal Citation (Texas Rules of Form II)	None	Bring <i>Bluebook</i> , <i>Greenbook</i> , and computer to class
Class 10A <sup>‡</sup>	Lawyering Skill: Legal Citation (Signals and Case History)	ICW Ch. 10, 12, 13	<b>WRITING EXERCISE III</b>
Class 10B	Lawyering Skill: Professionalism (The Ethical Use of Sources)	<i>Edwards</i> pp. 9-11, 265-271	None
Class 10C	Lawyering Skill: Editing (Rewriting, Revising, and Polishing)	<i>Edwards</i> pp. 273-289	ICW Online BB-State Exercise 1 (Problems 1-15)
Class 11A/B	Individual Conferences will be held. LSS Class with not meet this week.		
<b>November 11</b>	<b>Graded Predictive Memorandum due by 9:00 a.m. on Monday, November 11, in the LSS Office.</b>		
Class 12A <sup>§</sup>	Lawyering Skill: Drafting Pleadings	LSS Handout #4	None
Class 12B	Lawyering Skill: Alternative Dispute Resolution	LSS Handout #5	None
Class 12C	Lawyering Skill: Mediation	None	ICW Online BB-State Exercise 1 (Problems 16-30)
<b>December 2</b>	<b>Graded Mediation Statement due by 9:00 a.m. on Monday, December 2, in LSS Office.</b>		

**\*\*\* Please note that this syllabus is a DRAFT that is subject to change prior to the Fall 2013\*\*\***

<sup>†</sup> Classes 8A-8C will be *combined* this week.

<sup>‡</sup> Classes 10A-10C will be *combined* this week.

<sup>§</sup> Classes 12A-12C will be *combined* this week.