

**Contracts - Prof. Harry G. Prince - Class Information**  
**University of California-Hastings - Fall 2009**

**MATERIAL:** The course book will be Knapp Crystal & Prince, PROBLEMS IN CONTRACT LAW (6th Ed.) We will also utilize the Knapp Crystal & Prince, RULES OF CONTRACT LAW (2009-2010) supplement book. The syllabus for the course is pasted below. It will probably be necessary to revise the assignments based on our actual rate of progress during the semester. I will establish a website for the course and will provide more details about it later. I will post announcements for the class and most class materials on the website.

**COVERAGE:** The primary focus of the class will be common law contracts. While we will not conduct a comprehensive study of Article 2 of the Uniform Commercial Code on the Sale of Goods, we will discuss its provisions on a regular basis. Our goals with regard to Article 2 will be to gain general knowledge of its structure, to get a sense of its relationship to common law contracts, and to observe its influence on contract law beyond the sale of goods.

**CLASS FORMAT:** The class will be a mixture of lecture and discussion. It will be important to review assigned materials and be prepared to engage in class discussion. The course book includes a number of problems and we will discuss many but not all of them in class.

**EXAMINATION AND GRADE:** The final exam will probably be three and one-half hours in length and contain three essay problems. The problems will require that you identify important factual issues, correctly state the relevant law, and apply the law to the facts. You may also find policy arguments are relevant. The exam will be limited open book; you will be allowed to bring in your case book, the supplement, all handouts, your notes, and any review material that you have prepared alone or with other law students. You will not be allowed to utilize commercial study aids.

Class attendance and participation are important parts of the learning experience. Regular attendance is also required by law school accreditation standards. I will take attendance through a sign-in roster. You may not sign the roster for any other student. While I doubt that it will be necessary, I do reserve the right to factor class participation and attendance into grades for the course. Otherwise, the grades will be based on the final examination.

**CONTACT INFORMATION:** My office is M218 (198 McAllister) and office hours will generally be held on Tuesday at 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. and Friday at 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. My E-mail address is "princeh@uchastings.edu" and my telephone number is 415-565-4790.