Course Requirements:

Texts

There is no required text. Mandatory reading assignments (some assignments will be traditional reading and some may require watching videocasts or visiting web pages) for each class will be posted on the course web page. The link to the class webpage is http://wiselawlibrary.org/wrrc. The class web page has detailed information for each class meeting, including readings, important links, and power points. If articles are available on Westlaw, Lexis Advance, or Bloomberg, there will be a direct link on the class web page. You will be able to access these articles with your Lexis Advance, Westlaw, or Bloomberg passwords. You must have passwords for each of these legal database providers for this class. If you have forgotten a password, or need help signing up for Bloomberg, please contact Professor Mart.

Articles not available on Westlaw, Bloomberg or Lexis Advance will be accessible to students registered in the class, through the class web page. These readings may be password-protected. We will give out the password in class. Reading assignments listed for a specific class meeting must be completed before the class begins.

Attendance and Class Participation

Classroom participation is required, and so is attendance. This class involves significant discussion and hands-on participation in classroom research and writing projects and presentations. Class participation includes doing the assigned readings and any pre-class assignments. Missing more than four full class meetings will result in a grade reduction of at least one full letter grade. You may get partial credit for excused classes by completing missed in-class assignments.

Laptop Policy: Laptops are required in order to participate in classroom research and writing projects. If you do not have a laptop, laptops are available for checkout at the Law Library’s Circulation Desk. You may only use laptops for class work.

Grades/Due Dates

This is a 3-unit graded course. Grades are determined as follows:

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<td>Classroom participation (includes in-class research and writing)</td>
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Half of each of the grades will be for the writing component of the assignment, and half of each of the grades will be for the research part of the assignment. The three graded assignments must be entirely the individual work of each student. This rule does not apply to the work we will do in class. In-class assignments will usually be group projects, where collaboration is required.

Each of the writing and research assignments will require you to formulate an initial research plan, research the problem, keep a research log of your research, and write an appropriate legal document setting out the results of your research. The type of legal document you will write will depend on the nature of the assignment.

Classroom participation and classroom projects are not individually graded. The classroom projects are intended to give you an understanding of legal resources and how to best to use them to solve legal problems, and to have an opportunity to write in a variety of formats for a variety of audiences. The focus is on the process. However, failure to participate in classroom assignments or to adequately complete them will result in a grade reduction of up to 20 points.

We do not accept unexcused late assignments. If you cannot meet a class deadline, be sure and contact us before the due date to explain the problem and get an extension of time to complete your work. We always give reasonable extensions of time, within the constraints of the academic calendar.

Due Dates:

Writing and Research Assignment I: Tuesday, February 18, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.
Writing and Research Assignment II: Thursday, March 19, 2020 at 11:59 p.m.
Final Writing and Research Assignment May 7, 2020 at 11:59 p.m.

All of these assignments must be emailed before the stated time, using TWEN.

Office Hours:

Professor Mart’s office is in the law library, in 223G. She is in every day. Please feel free to drop in any time, and see if she is available, or make an appointment to see her. The telephone is 303-492-1233. The email is susan.mart@colorado.edu.

Professor Stafford’s office is Room 444. She is available most of the time for office appointments. Just email her at gabrielle.stafford@colorado.edu.
Accommodation for Disabilities
If you qualify for accommodations because of a disability, please submit your accommodation letter from Disability Services to your faculty member in a timely manner so that your needs can be addressed. Disability Services determines accommodations based on documented disabilities in the academic environment. Information on requesting accommodations is located on the Disability Services website. Contact Disability Services at 303-492-8671 or dsinfo@colorado.edu for further assistance. If you have a temporary medical condition or injury, see Temporary Medical Conditions under the Students tab on the Disability Services website.

Classroom Behavior
Students and faculty each have responsibility for maintaining an appropriate learning environment. Those who fail to adhere to such behavioral standards may be subject to discipline. Professional courtesy and sensitivity are especially important with respect to individuals and topics dealing with race, color, national origin, sex, pregnancy, age, disability, creed, religion, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, veteran status, political affiliation or political philosophy. For more information, see the policies on classroom behavior and the Student Code of Conduct.

Preferred Student Names and Pronouns
CU Boulder recognizes that students' legal information doesn't always align with how they identify. Students may update their preferred names and pronouns via the student portal; those preferred names and pronouns are listed on instructors' class rosters. In the absence of such updates, the name that appears on the class roster is the student's legal name.

Honor Code
All students enrolled in a University of Colorado Boulder course are responsible for knowing and adhering to the Honor Code. Violations of the policy may include: plagiarism, cheating, fabrication, lying, bribery, threat, unauthorized access to academic materials, clicker fraud, submitting the same or similar work in more than one course without permission from all course instructors involved, and aiding academic dishonesty. All incidents of academic misconduct will be reported to the Honor Code (honor@colorado.edu); 303-492-5550). Students found responsible for violating the academic integrity policy will be subject to nonacademic sanctions from the Honor Code as well as academic sanctions from the faculty member. Additional information regarding the Honor Code academic integrity policy can be found at the Honor Code Office website.

Sexual Misconduct, Discrimination, Harassment and/or Related Retaliation
The University of Colorado Boulder (CU Boulder) is committed to fostering a positive and welcoming learning, working, and living environment. CU Boulder will not tolerate acts of sexual misconduct, intimate partner abuse (including dating or domestic violence), stalking, or protected-class discrimination or harassment by members of our community. Individuals who believe they have been subject to misconduct or retaliatory actions for
reporting a concern should contact the Office of Institutional Equity and Compliance (OIEC) at 303-492-2127 or cureport@colorado.edu. Information about the OIEC, university policies, anonymous reporting, and the campus resources can be found on the OIEC website.

Please know that faculty and instructors have a responsibility to inform OIEC when made aware of incidents of sexual misconduct, discrimination, harassment and/or related retaliation, to ensure that individuals impacted receive information about options for reporting and support resources.

**Religious Holidays**
Campus policy regarding religious observances requires that faculty make every effort to deal reasonably and fairly with all students who, because of religious obligations, have conflicts with scheduled exams, assignments or required attendance. In this class, please let us know of your desire for an accommodation in a timely manner so that your needs can be addressed.
See the campus policy regarding religious observances for full details.