

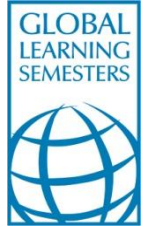
# Global Learning Semesters

## Course Syllabus

Course: LAW-305 Succession I

Department: Law

Host Institution: University of Nicosia, Nicosia, Cyprus



Course Summary		
Course Code	Course Title	Recommended Credit Hours
LAW-305	Succession I	3
Semester Offered	Contact Hours	Prerequisites
Fall	42	Sophomore standing
Department	Level of Course	Language of Instruction
Law	Upper Division	English

### Course Description

Introduction. Outline of the history of Succession; testate and intestate. Theory and context of inheritance in modern family property law.

Intestate Succession. Historical introduction. Twentieth century legislation. The rules relating to total and partial intestacy.

Making Wills. The general nature and characteristics of wills. Capacity to make wills. Amimus testandi. Knowledge and approval; effect of undue influence, suspicious circumstances, fraud, mistake. Formalities required for making wills. Incorporation by reference. Alterations. Revocation, revival and republication of wills.

Special Wills. Statutory wills for mental patients. Privileged wills. International wills. Nominations. Donation mortis causa. mutual wills. Conditional wills.

### Instructor

Dr Kaniye S A Ebeku

### Course Aims and Objectives

Most people will draft a will at some stage in their lives. The law of succession, while never a compulsory subject for law students equally never loses its importance. This introductory semester will consider, within the context of the emergence of the law of equity, the historical development of the will. Special wills, including for those in contemplation of death will conclude the semester.

### Teaching Methods

The course is delivered through a mixture of lectures, discussions, and presentations.

### Course Teaching Hours

42 hours (30 hours of lectures, 12 hours of seminars/tutorials and student-led presentation/seminars). The course is delivered during the Fall semester in 14 weeks (3 hours/week).

### **Evaluation and Grading**

Assigned work:	25%
Interim tests:	25%
Final Exam:	50%

### **Readings and Resources**

#### **Required Textbook**

D. G. Cracknell, Succession: the Law of Wills and Estates, 4<sup>th</sup> ed., Old Bailey Press, 2001

#### **Recommended Reading**

V. Kanda Rovati (ed.), Succession: the Law of Wills and Estates: Casebook, Old Bailey