

## Global Learning Semesters

### Course Syllabus

Course: LAW-352 Family Law II

Department: Law

Host Institution: University of Nicosia, Nicosia, Cyprus



Course Summary		
Course Code	Course Title	Recommended Credit Hours
LAW-352	Family Law II	3
Semester Offered	Contact Hours	Prerequisites
Spring	42	LAW-351
Department	Level of Course	Language of Instruction
Law	Upper Division	English

### Course Description

1. Parents and children generally. Rights and responsibilities. Children's welfare.
2. Becoming a parent. Birth in and out of marriage. Adoption. Assisted reproduction. Illegitimacy.
3. New family structures. Single-parent families. Step-families. The court's role.
4. Social services. Child protection.
5. Permanency. Families and foster homes. Adoption revisited.
6. International obligations. International child abduction. Inter-country adoption. International conventions.

### Instructor

Dr Martha Hayes Sampson

### Course Aims and Objectives

Course designed to continue the examination of the theory and practice of Family Law. The course will give particular emphasis to the rights of children and their relationships with parents, during marriage, separation and divorce. Survey of the legal aspects of artificial insemination, in vitro fertilization and surrogacy. Adoption will be discussed. International obligations will be defined.

### Teaching Methods

The course is delivered through a mixture of lectures, discussions, presentations, and problem-solving activities.

### 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 Spring semester in 14 weeks (3 hours/week).

### Evaluation and Grading

Assigned work: 25%

Interim tests: 25%  
Final Exam: 50%

## Readings and Resources

### Required Textbook

SM Cretney, et al, Principles of Family Law, 7<sup>th</sup> ed, Thomson, 2003

### Recommended Reading

R Probert, Cretney's Family Law, Thomson, 2003

J Herring, Family Law, Longman, 2001

K. Standley, Family Law, 3<sup>rd</sup> ed, Palgrave Law Masters, 2001