

Privacy and Information Security Law  
Missouri University of Science and Technology  
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## Course Syllabus

Tuesday: 4:00 p.m. -6:30 p.m.  
<http://www.mst.edu/~canisr/privacylaw>

### **Notice to Students with Disabilities**

If you have a documented disability and anticipate needing accommodations in this course, you are strongly encouraged to meet with me early in the semester. You will need to request that the Disability Services staff send a letter to me verifying your disability and specifying the accommodation you will need before I can arrange your accommodation. More information is available here: <http://dss.mst.edu>

### **Prerequisites**

Senior or graduate standing.

### **Course Description**

This course explores a variety of issues concerning the use, disclosure, and protection of information including personal, organizational, health, and financial information. The course focuses on understanding, planning, protecting, and responding to data breaches and other information risk and threats. Additional topics covered include consumer privacy, protection and use of information, the right of access to information, and the role of government in information protection and usage.

### **Course Textbook**

Information Privacy Law, Solove, Schwartz, Aspen Publishing 2014 (5<sup>th</sup> Edition)  
ISBN-13: 978-1454849537 (print book)  
ASIN: B00QQUBWWI (Kindle book)

### **Contact Information**

As the course will be taught via video teleconference, I will have no formal office hours. However, subject to the availability of the video teleconferencing equipment, I will be available before and after class to answer questions.

I am available at my office (314) 684-6616 and through e-mail at [canisr@mst.edu](mailto:canisr@mst.edu). I will give you my mobile number during our first class.

## **Class Format**

This class will have three types of students; ECC students that are physically in the classroom, Campus students that are participating with two-way video in a classroom at the Rolla campus and Internet students that will view the class using real-time streaming video delivered over the Internet. The Internet students will also participate in class discussions and presentations by toll-free telephone connections and/or WebEx.

## **Important Links**

**WebEx:** <http://mst.webex.com>

Website for accessing slides and video in real-time during class.

**Class Website:** <http://www.mst.edu/~canistr/privacylaw>

All of the reading materials and course assignments will be posted on the class website.

## **Class Preparation**

Before we meet each evening from 4:00-6:30, please download and print out the notes and other materials. You should have the lecture materials in front of you during the lectures to follow along and take notes. All class materials are available under the course schedule at [www.mst.edu/~canistr/privacylaw/schedule.html](http://www.mst.edu/~canistr/privacylaw/schedule.html)

## **Course Grading**

<b>Weight</b>	<b>Graded Work</b>
20%	Course Project
30%	Mid-Term Examination
40%	Final Examination
10%	Attendance and Participation

I reserve the right to curve final grades higher on an individual and classroom basis. As discussed during the semester, bonus points may also be available using Canvas. Please note that the Academic Alert system may be used to issue a warning when warranted. More information about the system is available here: <http://academicalert.mst.edu/>

## **Examinations**

All examinations are mandatory and will be posted on the class website. The examinations are open book, open note, and open video archive. Late examinations may be penalized ten percent (10%) per day, unless prior arrangements have been made.

## **Book Report**

None.

## **Course Project**

To be discussed during class.

## **Reading Assignments**

Course readings are listed per day on the schedule link of the above course website. Make sure to read the material prior to the start of class.

## **Live Participation Requirements**

I cannot possibly listen to myself talk for 2½ hours. Thus, I will have active and lively classroom discussions. I will not only ask you about facts and rules, but we will often ask your thoughts on cases and issues. Be prepared by reading the materials listed on the schedule in advance of class.

## **Class Attendance and Lateness**

Unless you have made prior arrangements with me, you must attend class according to the registered course type. In addition, you may be counted late if you are not present at the start, end, or during class. Students that are unexcused for 2 or more classes may be dropped from the class or have their final grade reduce by a letter grade at my discretion.

## **Academic Dishonesty**

Academic Dishonesty is subject to the rules in the Academic Regulations available at <http://registrar.mst.edu/academicregs/>.

## **Course Schedule**

The topic and their respective dates are posted on the course website but are subject to change. Please check the scheduling section for the most up to date information.

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