

# Science and Law

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## SYLLABUS ADDENDUM NO. 2

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This addendum, issued April 18, 2020, is hereby made part of the Syllabus for Science and Law with Prof. Eric E. Johnson in Spring 2020 and amends and modifies it as provided. Where the terms of the prior Syllabus (comprising the original Syllabus and Addendum No. 1) conflict with the terms of this addendum, the terms of this addendum control.

### **X7. DEADLINE EXTENSIONS; NEW, RELAXED LATENESS PENALTIES:**

The deadline for the Final Manuscript (“Deliverable 12-A”) and the Final Manuscript Questionnaire (“Deliverable 12-C”) are hereby extended to April 29, 2020.<sup>1</sup> The extra-credit opportunity described in the syllabus for turning in Deliverable 12-A early will apply if a student turns in the Final Manuscript on or before April 28.

Students can ask for deadline extensions through May 5, 2020, and these will be granted upon request. Deadline extensions beyond that time may not be granted. Deadline extensions beyond May 8, 2020 are very unlikely to be granted. A request for a deadline extension should be made by an e-mail with “deadline extension request” in the subject line.

Late penalties: Assuming no deadline extension has been granted, for each calendar day after April 28 that Deliverable 12 (including both 12-A and 12-C) is turned in late, the student will receive a 1% deduction on the paper component grade – up until May 8. Beyond May 8, each weekday late will incur a 25% deduction, starting from 100%. (For example, late submission on Saturday, May 9 through Monday, May 11 is 25% off the total; late submission on Tuesday, May 12 is 50% off the total; and so forth.)

### **X8. GRADING:**

(a) *Grades of S and U assigned instead of regular letter grades:*  
Students in this class will be assigned grades of either “S,” for “satisfactory,” or “U” for “unsatisfactory.” This grading method replaces the ordinary giving

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<sup>1</sup> As announced previously, Deliverable 12-B has been waived.

of letter grades (“A+” to “D-” and “F”). This shift in grading is made pursuant to an OU College of Law policy announcement, which provides: “[A]ll professors will be awarding only ‘S’ [for ‘satisfactory’] or ‘U’ [for ‘unsatisfactory’] grades in the Spring 2020 semester. These grades and credit hours will not count in calculating any student’s GPA and signify only that the student gets ‘credit’ for the course or does not. Each professor has the discretion to make this determination for each course and student. Grades of ‘S’ are, therefore, not expressly correlated uniformly with particular letter grades and will be awarded within professor discretion.” See *OU Law E-Alert*, April 9, 2020, 12:41 p.m.

(b) ***How the course grade will be assessed:*** A course grade will be assessed in the manner provided by original syllabus, except that if the letter grade would have been a D- or higher, an S will be assigned. If the grade would have been an F, then a U will be assigned.

(c) ***Effect with regard to graduation writing requirement:*** The change to S/U grading has no effect on the graduation writing requirement. In order to get certified as having met the graduation writing requirement, a student will still need to get a B- grade on the final manuscript, as judged by the criteria set forth in the original syllabus, and meet other applicable requirements.

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