

**STUDENT COURSE OUTLINE
BERGEN COMMUNITY COLLEGE
DIVISION OF BUSINESS , ARTS, AND SOCIAL SCIENCES**

SEMESTER:

Instructor

OFFICE ROOM #

**OFFICE HOURS: TO BE ANNOUNCED
AT SECOND WEEK OF CLASS**

COURSE TITLE: REA-203 N.J. ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATIONS

CREDITS & HRS: 3 credits (3 lec.)

PREREQUISITES: BUS-101, REA-101

**COURSE
DESCRIPTION:**

REA-203 N.J. Environmental Regulations is a study of Environmental Regulations in New Jersey and their impact on development, expansion of existing structures, and infrastructure serving municipal land use. Existing statutes, administrative regulations, and recent news articles will be reviewed. Students will be required to submit a Research Paper involving an assigned problem.

TEXTBOOK:

There is no existing text on specific New Jersey environmental issues. Students are required to purchase a manual of existing cases and recent news articles: N.J. Environmental Regulations, by Gerald Meisel, Clarity Publishing Company (1st Edition, Spring 2006)

**LEARNING
OBJECTIVES:**

1. Review the wide range of specific N.J. Environmental Regulations.
2. Discuss the impact of N.J. environmental Regulations on development, renovation of existing structures, and municipal infrastructure.
3. Explore current issues in Environment Law in New Jersey.

Standard:

Students will demonstrate proficiency and understanding of Environmental Regulations in New Jersey as covered in class sessions which will focus on “hands on” analysis. 80% of students will attain an average grade of “70” or better.

COURSE CONTENT:

<u>SESSION</u>	<u>SUBJECT</u>	<u>SECTION(S)</u>
1.	Review of National Environmental Policy and Major Federal Regulations	Lecture
2.	N.J. Public Policy and impact on development in New Jersey. Role of New Jersey D.E.P.	Read: "Environmental Problems"
3.	Tracing liability for environmental contamination, D.E.P. involvement in clean up and approvals For development.	Lecture
4.	Role of insurance coverage and case law involving Liability of insurers for environmental clean up and Damages. Review for Quiz #1.	Lecture
5.	Quiz #1 (50 minutes) plus lead based paint hazard And regulations.	Read: "Lead Based Paint"
6.	Wetlands and Radon	Read: "Wetlands" and "Radon"
7.	Underground storage tanks; gas stations and Residential.	Read: "Underground Storage Tanks Seminar and Articles Thereon"
8.	Sinkholes and septics. Review for Mid-Term.	Read: "Sinkholes" and "Septics"
9.	Mid-Term (90 minutes) plus Asbestos.	Read: "Asbestos"
10.	Testing wells for contamination of drinking water; and assignment of Term Paper topics.	Read: "Testing Wells" and "Contaminated Drinking Water"
11.	D.E.P. storm water regulations	Read: "New Storm Water Rules"
12.	New Watershed rules and 300 foot (C-1) buffers.	Read: "New Watershed Rules and 300 Foot Buffers"

(C-1)”

13. Protected “No Build” or “Regulated Limited Build” Lecture Zones in New Jersey. **TERM PAPER DUE**
14. Round table panel of students covering results Of Term Papers on particular New Jersey Environmental issues covered in their Term Paper None
15. Session 14 continued to conclusion. None

GRADING

PROCEDURE:

Quiz #1 and Mid-Term will each be 30% of grade. Comprehensive Term Paper and panel presentation will be 40% of grade.

Quiz#1 and Mid-Term must be taken to receive a grade. If student misses either Quiz #1 or Mid-Term, he or she will be required to take an all essay (different) exam on first day the student returns to class. A student is allowed only one make up exam. A second missed exam will be grade “0”.

The assigned Term Paper must be turned in on the date due. A late turn in will result in a reduction of 1 grade (i.e.: “B” to “C”) for first 5 days or less late; a Paper turned in more than 5 days late will be rejected by the instructor and receive a “0” grade. The student must turn in an original and one duplicate copy of the Term Paper which must be neatly typed, doubled spaced, cover sheet, assigned problem following cover sheet, and any regulation, case or news article not contained in Course Book and relied on in the Paper must be attached to the Paper.

<u>Grade Schedule:</u>	0-59 = F
	60- 69 = D
	70- 75 = C
	76- 79 = C+
	80- 85 = B
	86- 89 = B+
	90+ = A

ABSENCE

PENALTY:

Due to the major emphasis on classroom discussion and analysis of current events, class attendance is vital to this course. Any student

who records a third absence will be required to drop the course or receive a failure grade.

Any student who is more than 30 minutes late for class or who leaves class more than 30 minutes before end of class will be marked absent.

FACULTY ABSENCE PROCEDURE: IMPORTANT

A daily listing will appear in the glass case located in the front lobby of the main building (administrative wing), which will indicate all classes which are canceled. Another listing will appear in the glass case adjacent to the Hotel/Restaurant bulletin board in East Hall. Students can consult these bulletin boards before going to class. If such a class does not appear on the day's cancellation notice, this information should be conveyed either to the Evening & Saturday Office (L-113) or the Division Office (A-306C)