WINTER/SPRING 2007 ELECTIVE COURSE INFORMATION
UMKC School of Law

COURSE NAME: Construction Law

COURSE NUMBER: 898

PROFESSOR: William DeBauche

ESSENTIAL PREREQUISITES: None

DESIRABLE PREREQUISITES: Contracts

COURSE BOOKS: Materials prepared by professor.

METHOD OF GRADING & APPRAISAL OF STUDENT FOR GRADE: Grade will be based 1/5 on evaluation of classroom performance, and 4/5 on final exam, with ¼ of the final exam a short answer section, and ¾ of the final exam essays.

SUMMARY DESCRIPTION OF COURSE: Introduction to the law of construction and design, with emphasis on Missouri, Kansas and Federal law.

COURSE CONTENT: Analysis of several topics related to construction and design law, including standard contracts, obligations of parties in the construction process, formation of contracts, design law, surety law, contract formation issues, disputes and claims, payment issues, mechanic’s liens, arbitration and mediation in construction, Federal claims in construction, delays, differing site conditions, terminations, damages issues.

RELEVANCY OF COURSE FOR CAREER PURPOSES: Very relevant to anyone working for a law firm with clients in the construction or design industries, or companies with involvement in those industries. Relevant to civil litigation firms with matters involving construction projects.