COURSE NAME: Sexuality and the Law

COURSE NUMBER: 714S

PROFESSOR: Story

ENROLLMENT ELIGIBILITY: There are no restrictions on who can sign up for the course.

ESSENTIAL PREREQUISITES: There are no essential prerequisites for this class.

DESIRABLE PREREQUISITES: Constitutional Law, Family Law, Gender and Justice, & Employment Law.

COURSE BOOKS: Materials will be prepared by the faculty member teaching the course and will include relevant cases and law review articles.

METHOD OF GRADING & APPRAISAL OF STUDENT FOR GRADE: The course grade will be based on class participation, three short writing assignments, and one group presentation.

SUMMARY DESCRIPTION OF COURSE: This course examines sexual orientation, sexuality, and the law. The course will introduce students to existing and emerging jurisprudence in these areas by examining case law with an eye toward how holdings in specific cases can be expanded or restricted in future litigation. The five-day course will examine the manner in which constructions of sexuality and sexual orientation have impacted the development of law in the areas of constitutional law (including speech and the right to privacy), employment, marriage, parenting, violence and military service.

COURSE CONTENT: The Syllabus for this course will include the following topics:

I. Privacy, Sexuality and the State
II. Speech and Sexuality
III. Same-Sex Sexual Harassment
IV. The Military Exclusion Policy and the Construction of Manhood
V. Sexual Orientation Discrimination
VI. Gay Marriage
VII. Parenting and Adoption
CATALOG DESCRIPTION:

Law XXX. Sexuality and the Law.

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RELEVANCY OF COURSE FOR CAREER PURPOSES: The course will be particularly relevant to any student who wishes to work in the employment or family law fields. The course will also reinforce basic Constitutional Law concepts that will be tested on the bar.