

**Virginia Western Community College**  
**LGL 117**  
**Family Law**

**Prerequisites**

None

**Course Description**

Studies elements of a valid marriage, grounds for divorce and annulment, separation, defenses, custody, support, adoptions, and applicable tax consequences. Includes property settlement agreements, pre- and ante-nuptial agreements, pleadings, and rules of procedure. May include specific federal and Virginia consumer laws. Lecture 3 hours. Total 3 hours per week.

**Semester Credits: 3 Lecture Hours: 3 Lab/Clinical/Internship Hours: 0**

**Required Materials****Textbook:**

FAMILY LAW AND PRACTICE, 5th Edition, Grace A. Luppino, Pearson. ISBN: 978-0-13-512251-8

**Other Required Materials:**

Additional supplementary materials will be made available in Canvas

**Course Outcomes**

**At the completion of this course, the student should be able to:**

The primary goal of the course is to emphasize the terminology, content and practical application of the law regulating divorce, custody, support and other elementary domestic law issues.

**Topical Description****Notes to Instructors**

None