College of San Mateo Official Course Outline

1. COURSE ID: R.E. 100 TITLE: Real Estate Principles

Units: 3.0 units Hours/Semester: 48.0-54.0 Lecture hours; and 96.0-108.0 Homework hours Method of Grading: Letter Grade Only

2. COURSE DESIGNATION:

Degree Credit Transfer credit: CSU

AA/AS Degree Requirements:

CSM - GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS: E5d. Career Exploration and Self-Development

3. COURSE DESCRIPTIONS:

Catalog Description:

This course introduces the legal concepts of property ownership, contracts, agency, financing, liens and encumbrances, taxes, escrows, land description, and additional RE topics as they apply to realty in California. (This is the usual first course in Real Estate. This introductory course is mandatory for meeting the California State licensing requirements for admission to the salesperson's license exam.)

4. STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOME(S) (SLO'S):

Upon successful completion of this course, a student will meet the following outcomes:

- 1. Define real estate and related legal concepts of property law.
- 2. Understand the legal duties of a California real estate agent in purchase/sales transactions.
- 3. Understand real estate law topics including land use controls and zoning, landlord/tenant law, and an introduction to tax law as it relates to real property.

5. SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONAL OBJECTIVES:

Upon successful completion of this course, a student will be able to:

- 1. Define real estate and related legal concepts of property law.
- 2. Define the key ways in which legal title to real estate is held.
- 3. Understand how real estate is usually acquired or transferred in California.
- 4. Understand the legal duties of a California real estate agent in purchase/sales transactions.
- 5. Understand applicable contracts law principles and how typical realty transactions are negotiated.
- 6. Understand real estate law topics including land use controls and zoning, landlord/tenant law, and an introduction to tax law as it relates to real property.

6. COURSE CONTENT:

Lecture Content:

- 1. Introduction to RE
- 2. Real Estate Acquisitions
- 3. Real Estate Ownership Interests chiefly employed in California residential property law
- 4. Roles and legal duties of brokers and sales agents
- 5. Real Estate Contacts Law principles
- 6. Real Estate Lending/Mortgage Law introduction
- 7. Valuation/Appraisal principles
- 8. Escrow, Title Insurance, and Closing the Purchase/Sales Transaction
- 9. Landlord/Tenant Law introduction
- 10. Land Use Controls and Zoning Law
- 11. Introduction to Taxation Law as it involves Real Estate
- 12. Current Real Estate developments and issues, potential future changes in RE law in California

7. REPRESENTATIVE METHODS OF INSTRUCTION:

Typical methods of instruction may include:

- A. Lecture
- B. Discussion
- C. Other (Specify): 1. Reading assignments from the textbook will reinforce all major topics in the course. 2. Performance assignments including quizzes will reinforce all major course topics.

8. REPRESENTATIVE ASSIGNMENTS

Representative assignments in this course may include, but are not limited to the following: Writing Assignments:

Homework problems assigned from textbook. Quizzes.

Reading Assignments:

Textbook and possibly some pertinent supplemental readings as assigned.

9. REPRESENTATIVE METHODS OF EVALUATION

Representative methods of evaluation may include:

- A. Class Performance
- B. Exams/Tests
- C. Homework

10. REPRESENTATIVE TEXT(S):

Possible textbooks include:

A. Brady, and Estes.. California Real Estate Principles, 11th ed. Brookfield: Mbition, Llc, 2021

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