

SURV 116

Surveying Law I

3 Credits (3 Lecture hours per week)

Community College of Baltimore County
Common Course Outline

Description

SURV 116 – Surveying Law I: Introduces students to the concepts of property law; describes the application of Maryland Property Law; covers mapping, land surveying and the problems of positioning of land boundaries; includes an overview of property, title, and deeds, boundaries and boundary surveys, researching deeds, easements, rights of way, and trespass laws; and the duties, rights, and liabilities of the professional land surveyor.

Pre-requisites: SURV 111

Overall Course Objectives

Upon completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. Discuss the history of boundary surveying;
2. Explain the professional liability of boundary surveys;
3. Perform courthouse/internet research for boundary surveys;
4. Prepare a deed mosaic and a working map;
5. Explain the order of importance of conflicting title elements;
6. Analyze record and field data;
7. Explain the aspects determining property boundaries;
8. Explain the use of easements and rights of ways; and
9. Explain trespass law as it relates to boundary surveying.

Major Topics

- I. History of Boundary Surveying
- II. Professional liability and the title deed
- III. Courthouse records and research of title deeds
- IV. Preparation of deed mosaics
- V. Order of importance of conflicting title elements
- VI. Field procedures
- VII. Analyze record data against field data
- VIII. Establishment of property boundaries
- IX. Documentation of property boundary determination
- X. Easements and Right of Ways
- XI. Trespass Law

Course Requirements

Grading will be determined by the individual faculty member, but shall include the following, at minimum:

The Common Course Outline (CCO) determines the essential nature of each course.
For more information, see your professor's syllabus.

- Quizzes, tests, exams: Individual instructors will notify students of procedures, but as a minimum two test or quizzes will be required
- Comprehensive Midterm Exam: The course will require a comprehensive Midterm Exam
- Comprehensive Final Exam: The course will require a comprehensive final exam
- Homework assignments” Individual instructors will notify students of procedures, but as a minimum two graded assignments will be given
- Project: Boundary Survey/Location Drawing problem to meet state standards

Written assignments and research projects: Students are required to use appropriate academic resources in their research and cite sources according to the style selected by their professor.

Other Course Information

This course is a core course in Surveying Degree and Certificate Programs.

This course is taught in a classroom environment.

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