

Edison State Community College

RLE 112S – Real Estate Law

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Credentials: Real Estate License, Ohio Department of Real Estate, 2005
Real Estate Certification, Hondros, 2004

Required Materials

You'll need the *Fundamentals of Ohio Real Estate Law* textbook (Carolina Academic Press), ISBN 978-1531002183 (print or e-text), reliable internet access, and a computer that can open PDFs and view Blackboard content. A notebook or digital notes are helpful for key terms, case examples, and PSI-style practice. No financial calculator is required for this course.

Reading Expectations

The slides guide you through the PSI-tested concepts in a clear, simple way — think of them as your roadmap through Ohio Real Estate Law. You'll use them every week to build your understanding of property rights, contracts, landlord-tenant law, deeds, title, probate, finance, agency, and fair housing. The textbook adds depth, examples, and legal reasoning that help you connect the dots. You don't need to read every page, but you *do* need to read the assigned sections to fully understand the material. Students who read the slides first and then use the textbook to reinforce their understanding feel more confident, perform better on PSI-style exams, and walk into the licensing exam prepared.

Course Objectives

By the end of this course, you'll understand the legal foundations that shape real estate practice in Ohio. You'll learn how property rights are created and transferred, how ownership works, how land-use controls limit property, how contracts operate under Ohio law, and how landlord-tenant relationships are regulated. You'll also explore deeds, title, probate, liens, foreclosure, agency, fair housing, and Ohio license law.

Throughout the course, you'll practice PSI-style legal reasoning so you're prepared for both the licensing exam and real-world conversations with clients.

How You'll Be Evaluated

Grading Category	Points	Weight	Cumulative Points	% of Grade	Letter Grade
Discussion Boards	50	5%	936 - 1040	90 - 100 %	A
Unit Reviews	260	25%	832 - 935.9	80 - 89.9 %	B
Unit PSI-Style Exams	480	46%	728 - 831.9	70 - 79.9 %	C
Midterm Exam	100	10%	624 - 727.9	60 - 69.9%	D
Final Exam	150	14%	623.9 and below	59.9% and below	F
Total	1040	100%			

Assignment Overview

Discussion Boards Used to build community and help you think like a real estate professional. You'll complete an introductory discussion early in the course. Each includes an initial post and three (3) required replies.

Unit Reviews Short practice activities that reinforce key legal concepts. These prepare you for the PSI-style unit exams.

Unit PSI-Style Exams Each unit includes a short exam aligned with the PSI testing style. These help you build confidence with licensing-style questions.

Midterm Exam Covers **Units 1–4**, including property rights, ownership, land-use controls, and contracts.

Final Exam A comprehensive exam covering **Units 1–8**, including landlord-tenant law, deeds, title, probate, finance, liens, foreclosure, agency, fair housing, and Ohio license law.

PSI-Style Practice Sets (Ungraded) These give you unlimited practice with PSI-style questions to build exam stamina and confidence.

Student Expectations

You're expected to log in regularly, meet deadlines, complete readings and unit reviews, exams, and participate in discussions. Communication is key — reach out early if you have questions or challenges. Late work is not accepted without prior approval from the instructor. All work must reflect your own understanding and follow Edison State's Academic Honesty Policy.

Ethical Use of AI

AI tools may support your learning — for brainstorming, revising reflections, or organizing ideas — but they cannot replace your own work. Graded assignments must reflect your thinking. Submitting AI-generated work without meaningful personal input violates academic integrity.

Flexibility, Accessibility & Support

This course is fully online and asynchronous, giving you flexibility to complete work before deadlines. Students with documented disabilities may receive accommodations through Accessibility and Disability Support Services. Free tutoring is available both on campus and online.

Notes

The instructor may modify this syllabus as needed. Always refer to the class schedule for assignment dates and deadlines.

Syllabus Part II Addendum for additional student support services.

AI POLICY - All coursework for this class must be authored solely by you. While limited use of generative AI tools like ChatGPT is permitted for brainstorming, outlining ideas, or checking grammar and style, AI-generated submissions—including drafts, full sentences, paragraphs, or entire assignments—are strictly prohibited and will be treated as academic misconduct. Any approved AI assistance must be properly documented and cited, in alignment with the college's academic honesty policies. If you're unsure about permitted usage, please ask for clarification before proceeding

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It is the policy of the College to maintain a learning environment free from bullying, discrimination, sexual harassment or sexual violence. Title IX federal law protects students, employees and third parties with a relationship to the college. All Edison State Community College employees are required to report all knowledge of incidents that violate the Title IX policy to the Title IX Coordinator or Deputy Title IX Coordinator immediately. Student and employee confidential consultation is available through the Coordinator of Health and Wellness Services. Title IX Policy and procedure language as well as contact information for the Coordinator of Health and Wellness, Title IX Coordinator and Deputy Title IX Coordinator can be found at www.edisonohio.edu/TitleIX/.

TUTORING SERVICES - All Edison State students are eligible to receive free tutoring and learning support services through our Tutoring Center. Available services include Edison State tutors, both online and in-person, covering a wide variety of courses including various levels of math and paper reviews, online tutoring through OhioLINK eTutoring, distraction-reduced study rooms, and the use of Tutoring Center resources including subject-specific and general study guides. For more information on tutoring services, visit the Tutoring Center in the Library, email us at tutoringcenter@edisonohio.edu, call 937-778-7959, or visit our webpage at <https://www.edisonohio.edu/tutoring-center/>

RLE112S - REAL ESTATE LAW COURSE SCHEDULE				
Week	Assignment	Points	Discuss Bd Action	Due Date
Week 1	Discussion: Introduce Yourself	35	Post	Wed, August 26, 2026
		15	Response	Sun, August 30, 2026
Unit 1, Part 1, Property Rights & Ownership	Unit 1, Part 1, Review, Chapter 1 & 2	10		Sun, August 30, 2026
Week 2	Unit 1, Part 2, Review, Chapter 3 & 4	10		Sun, September 6, 2026
Unit 1, Part 2, Property Rights & Ownership	Unit 1, PSI-Style Exam	60		Sun, September 6, 2026
Week 3	Unit 2 Review, Chapter 5	20		Sun, September 13, 2026
Unit 2, Land Use Controls, Government Power	Unit 2, PSI-Style Exam	60		Sun, September 13, 2026
Week 4	Unit 3 Review, Chapter 6	20		Sun, September 20, 2026
Unit 3, Real Estate Contracts	Unit 3 PSI-Style Exam	60		Sun, September 20, 2026
Week 5	Unit 4 Review, Chapter 7	20		Sun, September 27, 2026
Unit 4, Landlord-Tenant Law	Unit 4 PSI-Style Exam	60		Sun, September 27, 2026
Week 6, Unit 5, Transfer of Real Property	Unit 5, Part 1, Review, Chapter 8	20		Sun, October 4, 2026
Week 7, Unit 5, Transfer of Real Property	Unit 5, Part 2, Review, Chapter 9	20		Sun, October 11, 2026
	PSI-Style Practice Set for Midterm Exam	0		Sun, October 11, 2026
Week 8 - Midterm	Midterm Exam (Units 1–4)	100		Sun, October 18, 2026
Week 9	Unit 5, Part 3, Review, Chapter 10	20		Sun, October 25, 2026
Unit 5, Transfer of Real Property	Unit 5 PSI-Style Exam	60		Sun, October 25, 2026
Week 10, Unit 6, Title, Recording & Closing	Unit 6, Part 1, Review, Chapter 6	20		Sun, November 1, 2026
Week 11, Unit 6, Title, Recording & Closing	Unit 6, Part 2, Review, Chapter 13	20		Sun, November 8, 2026
Week 12	Unit 6, Part 3, Review, Chapter 14	20		Sun, November 15, 2026
Unit 6, Title, Recording & Closing	Unit 6, PSI-Style Exam	60		Sun, November 15, 2026
Week 13, Unit 7, Finance, Liens & Foreclosure	Unit 7, Part 1, Review, Chapter 12 Financing	20		Sun, November 22, 2026
Week 14, Unit 7, Finance, Liens & Foreclosure	Unit 7, Part 2, Review, Chapter 12 Foreclosure	20		Sun, November 29, 2026
	Unit 7, PSI-Style Exam	60		Sun, November 29, 2026
Week 15	Unit 8, Part 1, Review Chapter 15-17	20		Sun, December 6, 2026
	Unit 8 PSI-Style Exam	60		Sun, December 6, 2026
Week 16	PSI-Style Practice Set for Final Exam	0		Fri, December 11, 2026
FINAL EXAM	Final Exam	150		Fri, December 11, 2026