

## First Year Contracts

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This package contains sample materials from my First Year Contracts course, which I first taught using group-based problem solving at the University of Toronto in 1996 and have taught since then at USC and University of California, Hastings Law Schools. It includes a Course Outline, the Self-Assessment Form I ask students to submit after each assignment, two sample team problems (Patrick & Sujit and Happy Cows Inc.) together with a sample group memo for Happy Cows (with comments from me that are posted for all students to read) and a sample final exam. The instructions on the final exam are the same as the instructions the students receive for the group problems they do during the semester. For the first two group assignments, we use a single fact scenario (such as Patrick & Sujit); in the first assignment, groups produce only an issue outline; in the second they choose an issue they judge to be important and analyze that one in detail.

You are free to use the case studies or exam.

Please contact me if you wish to use the memo that was originally written by students.



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