LAW 7021: Environmental Law

This course examines how the federal government regulates human activities that affect the natural environment. It focuses on four major federal environmental statutes: the Clean Air Act, the Clean Water Act, the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), and the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA), also known as Superfund. The course exposes students to a variety of legal materials encountered in the practice of environmental law, including cases but also statutes, regulations, permits, guidance documents, and other administrative agency materials. Along the way, the course explores some recurring issues in environmental law, some of the different perspectives from which environmental issues are approached, and principles of constitutional and administrative law that are critical in environmental litigation. Exam Info: Take-Home Exam

Credits: 3.0