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In today’s highly globalized and regulated economy, private and public organizations face a complex myriad of laws and regulations. A process designed to detect and prevent regulatory compliance failures is vital, however such an effective process cannot succeed without development of a strong compliance and legal risk management culture. How organizations handle legal risk management will be the difference between success and failure. Organizations can effectively handle legal risk management, in part, by using employees well-trained in legal compliance. This trend is already starting as more and more employees need legal risk management training to be effective in their roles.

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The crux of legal risk management is the process of analyzing an organization's exposure to risk and determining how to best handle such exposure through identification, assessment and prioritization. Legal risk management is vital to any organization's success. This program equips students with the tools necessary to understand the legal risk management process and help mitigate and control risk within an organization.

Who Should Attend
This program is targeted to those who want to learn the critical concepts of legal risk management, including risk managers, project and program managers, contract managers, attorneys (especially general counsel), HR professionals, paralegals, business executives, entrepreneurs, and other professionals whose work is affected by regulatory compliance matters.

Program Benefits
- Identify the main legal risks facing organizations today
- Examine prevailing risk management principles and guidelines
- Identify and analyze significant risks arising from operations on an on-going basis
- Prioritize risks based on the likelihood of occurrence and potential impact
- Create strategies to mitigate risks, while creating and maintaining a culture of compliance
- Monitor and evaluate the effectiveness of existing risk management efforts
- Continuing education credit is available (see website for details)

Program Requirements
To earn a Specialized Studies Award, individuals must complete three of the four courses with a grade of "C" or better for a total of nine quarter units (90 hours of instruction).

Program Fees
- Course fee: $610 per course
- Candidacy fee: $35
- Textbooks: $100 per course (approximately)

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Online Courses

Curriculum

Fundamentals of Administrative Law
LAW X490.1 (3 units)
Examine rules and regulations promulgated by local, state and federal agencies. Basic attributes of administrative agencies, source of agency authority, how agencies legislate, and how disputes between agencies and the regulated public are adjudicated will be explored.

Corporate Regulatory Compliance
LAW X490.2 (3 units)
Examine regulatory compliance and risk management issues impacting organizations. Director roles and responsibilities, board and management fiduciary duties, director and executive liability and indemnification agreements, and the implementation of risk management and compliance programs will be explored.

Contract Risk Management
LAW X490.3 (3 units)
Examine contract risks from the liability-avoidance perspective. Standard terms and conditions addressing important protective elements to a given organization, including mutual indemnification, insurance requirements, additional insured entities, and liability risks will be explored.

Risk Management for Entrepreneurs
LAW 490.4 (3 units)
Examine the main legal issues facing entrepreneurs and the risk of noncompliance with the law. Identification of significant risks, prioritization of risks, implementation of strategies to mitigate risks, and efficient monitoring of legal risks will be explored.

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