ESTATES LAW (ESGL)

ESGL 0338. ESTATE ADMINISTRATION. (2 Credits)
The fundamentals of administration of decedent's estates, including
probate and contested probate; establishing distributees in
administration proceedings; appointment and qualification of fiduciaries;
powers and duties of fiduciaries; marshaling decedent's assets; discovery
proceedings; claims against estate; construction of will; determining
validity of right of election; tax apportionment; preparation of formal
accounting; attorney's fees; setting up a trust; and distribution.
Attributes: JD, LLM.

ESGL 0521. TRUSTS & WILLS. (3 or 4 Credits)
Trusts and Wills is an introduction to mechanisms for dispositions of
personal wealth upon death. The class considers issues of testamentary
capacity, policy limitations on personal wealth transfer, testamentary
document execution and interpretation along with duties owed by an
attorney in the testamentary plan preparation context. Alternatives to
traditional wills are considered in the form of will substitutes and the
creation of testamentary and intervivos trusts along with discretionary
and spendthrift trusts. Fiduciary duties of trustees are introduced. The
class surveys disposition of personal wealth when the decedent fails to
express his or her wishes and highlights select issues encountered in
alternative family testamentary document execution.
Attributes: JD, LLM, LMCO.