

LawShelf Educational Media

Consumer Protection

Course Description

The Consumer Protection course takes an in-depth look at the multitudes of steps that have been taken to protect consumers from predatory practices of lenders, sellers, and other participants in the marketplace. The course focuses on the Truth in Lending Act, the Equal Opportunity Credit Act, the Fair Credit Reporting Act, and other state and federal laws that protect consumers.

Course Learning Outcomes

At the completion of this course, students will be able to:

- Describe the steps that have been taken by federal and state governments to protect consumers;
- Apply provisions in the Truth in Lending Act, the Equal Opportunity Credit Act, the Fair Credit Reporting Act and other laws to fact patterns;
- Determine whether advertisements and telephone solicitations are deceptive or otherwise illegal;
- Explain which disclosures are necessary in consumer credit transactions to satisfy various federal laws and regulations.

Final Exam

Grades and credit recommendations are based solely on a final exam. When students are ready to take the final exam, they should register for a LawShelf account (or simply log in, for those with existing accounts). Go to the video-course page and click "Take the Final Exam" and pay the exam fee, where applicable. Students will be given instructions on how to take the exam. All exams are proctored by the Voice Proctor® proctoring system. An overview of the system is provided here and it requires no training or learning curve. Grades of 70% or above are considered passing grades and qualify for recommended transfer credit.

The final exam is based on the video course modules. Additional resources detailed in this syllabus are helpful for background and for building greater understanding of the course materials.

Inquiries can be made through the LawShelf Contact form on our website by clicking the "email us" button that appears at the bottom of most LawShelf pages. Transcripts can be ordered via Parchment, as detailed on our website.

Case Studies

Many LawShelf video courses include case studies. These do not necessarily teach new material but are meant to demonstrate how the materials covered in the course are applied by various courts. Concepts covered in the case studies are covered on the final exam; so watching the case studies is necessary before taking the exam. However, it is unnecessary to memorize the facts and details of the cases covered in these case studies.

Self-Quizzes

Video-course modules and case studies feature self-quizzes that consist of practice questions on the materials covered in the videos. These questions are presented for the benefit of the student and are important to review before taking the final exam because they are similar in style and substance to the questions on the final exam. These quizzes are not graded or monitored and there is no record of how students answer these questions. Students may answer these questions as many times as they like and are encouraged to keep re-taking the quizzes until they have mastered all the questions.

Study Guide

Courseware Readings

These courseware readings provide background to help students better understand the main parts of the course, which are the <u>video-course modules</u> below.

Truth in Lending Act

https://www.debt.org/credit/your-consumer-rights/truth-lending-act/

Equal Opportunity Credit Act

https://www.hrc.org/news/all-about-the-equal-credit-opportunity-act

Fair Credit Reporting Act

https://files.consumerfinance.gov/f/201504_cfpb_summary_your-rights-under-fcra.pdf

Credit CARD Act

https://creditcards.usnews.com/articles/what-the-credit-card-act-of-2009-means-for-you

Video Course Modules

These videos constitute the <u>main part of the course</u> and are they sources of the questions on the final exam.

Consumer Protection Introduction

https://lawshelf.com/videocoursescontentview/consumer-protection-

The Truth in Lending Act and the Equal Credit Opportunity Act- Module 1 of 5 https://lawshelf.com/videocoursesmoduleview/the-truth-in-lending-act-and-the-equal-credit-opportunity-act--module-1-of-5---

The Fair Credit Reporting Act of 1970- Module 2 of 5

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Identify Theft- Module 3 of 5

https://lawshelf.com/videocoursesmoduleview/identify-theft--module-3-of-5

Laws Addressing Deceptive Marketing and Advertising- Module 4 of 5 https://lawshelf.com/videocoursesmoduleview/laws-addressing-deceptive-marketing-and-advertising-module-4-of-5

Mandatory Disclosures to Consumers- Module 5 of 5

https://lawshelf.com/videocoursesmoduleview/mandatory-disclosures-to-consumers-module-5-of-5-