This is an intensive short course that meets on a special schedule before regular classes begin.

**ARBITRATION**

**Course Number:** BCL 7002 001  
**Call Number:** 000109

**Semester:** Spring 2013  
**Professor:** Richard Reuben  
**Credits:** 2 Classroom

**Primary Basis for the Grade:** Take Home Exam and Class Participation; Letter Grade

**Prerequisites:** None

**Enrollment:** Open

**Meets Seminar Requirement?** No  
**Meets Writing Requirement?** No  
**Meets Client Counseling Requirement?** No

**Meeting Times:**  
Monday, 1-13-14 9:00 am – 3:30 pm  
Tuesday, 1-14-14 9:00 am – 3:30 pm  
Wednesday, 1-15-14 9:00 am – 4:30 pm  
Thursday, 1-16-14 9:00 am – 4:30 pm  
Friday, 1-17-14 9:00 am – 12:15 am (EXAM AVAILABLE AFTER CLASS)

**Location:** Room 104

**COURSE DESCRIPTION:**

Arbitration is an ADR process in which neutral third party decides a dispute at the request of the parties. It is commonly used to settle employment, securities, health care, and consumer disputes, and is the standard process for resolving international commercial disputes. This short course will provide a comprehensive overview of the arbitration process and how it differs from other dispute resolution processes (such as meditation and trial), as well as the substantial body of law that has arisen around it. Our focus will be on commercial, employment, and consumer arbitration under the Federal Arbitration Act, but we will also consider labor (union) arbitration and international commercial arbitration. This class will be taught in an interactive style and will include an arbitration exercise on most days that will allow us to apply the principles we discuss in class.

**SPECIAL NOTES:**
This is an intensive short course that meets during the week of January 13 - 17, the week before regular classes begin. Because it is an intensive course taught over a short period of time, you are required to attend all sessions. Do not sign up for this course if you cannot be available to attend all sessions.

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Richard C. Reuben

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Professor Reuben joined the University of Missouri School of Law in 2000, coming from Harvard Law School, where he was a William and Flora Hewlett Senior Fellow in Dispute Resolution and an Instructor in Negotiation. He had previously earned his Masters and Doctor of Law at Stanford Law School.

Professor Reuben is the co-author of one of the country's leading ADR casebooks, *Dispute Resolution & Lawyers* (4th ed. 2009) (with Leonard L. Riskin, James Westbrook, Chris Guthrie, Jennifer K. Robbennolt, and Nancy A. Welsh). His articles have appeared in the California Law Review, UCLA Law Review, Harvard Negotiation Law Review, Law & Contemporary Problems (Duke), and the SMU Law Review, among others. His research emphasizes the relationship between dispute resolution and law, as well as democratic governance. He is also one of the nation's leading authorities on confidentiality in ADR processes, and served as a Reporter for the Uniform Mediation Act, which has been adopted in several states. He is a Senior Fellow at the law school's Center for the Study of Dispute Resolution, and co-director of the Center for the Study of Conflict, Law and the Media, a partnership of the Law School and the internationally regarded Missouri School of Journalism.

A lawyer and journalist, Professor Reuben covered the U.S. Supreme Court and other legal issues for the ABA Journal, the Los Angeles and San Francisco Daily Journals, and other publications for more than a decade. He is a member of the Editorial Board of Dispute Resolution's Magazine, a quarterly publication of the American Bar Association, from 1996-2007, and is chair of the ABA Section of Dispute Resolution's Committee on Public Policy, Participation, and Democracy. He served for two years as the Associate Director of the Stanford Center for Conflict and Negotiation at Stanford University, and on the Board of Directors of the Conflict Resolution Information Project for five years. He does trainings in negotiation and conflict management, and consults with both government and private entities.

Professor Reuben's primary teaching assignments at Missouri are Negotiation, Conflict and Conflict Management, Election Law, Legislation, Local Government Law, and Administrative Law. He has also taught at Stanford Law School, Harvard Law School, Pepperdine Law School, Hamline Law School, Central European University in Hungary, and Johannes Kepler University in Austria.