Session 1: (January 13 - March 8, 2021)

**JD, LLM, and/or MLS:**

Law 640H (2 units + 1-unit independent study credit) Global Mining Tax Law, Policy and Disclosure/Sustainability, taught by Stephen F. Ralbovsky
This course examines current worldwide approaches to mining tax policy by governments, the mining industry and civil society organizations; reviews required and preferred approaches to mining tax disclosure and the impact of that disclosure on sustainability; and examines selected mining tax laws.

MNE 697G (1 unit) Acquisition and Financing of Mineral Projects, taught by Douglas B. Silver
This course provides detailed background on the negotiation and acquisition strategies used in financing mineral resource development.

Law 640C (3 units) Mining Transactions, Contractual and Permitting Overview, taught by John Lacy
This course will examine the legal elements associated with typical mining transactions, beginning with an overview of what areas of mineral title and legal issues that need to be examined in performing due diligence for a mineral property. The material will then proceed through the types of agreements encountered in mining transactions. Topics to be considered include check lists and form contracts to control mineral properties, reduce financial risk, protection of confidential information, marketing of mineral products, resolution of disputes and public relations.

Law 640E (1 unit) International Mining Health and Safety Law and Practice, taught by Eric Lutz
Overview of the current international mining health laws and practices as a function of evolving disease threats for workers and communities.

**MLS Only:**

- Law 585 (2 units) Introduction to Legal Systems
- Law 502B (3 units) American Common Law II
- Law 504 (3 units) The American Public Law System
- Law 507 (3 units) Legal Analysis, Writing and Research
Session 2: (March 11 - through May 5, 2021 / Finals May 7-13)

**JD, LLM, and/or MLS:**

**Law 640A (3-units) Public Lands and Mining Law**, taught by John C. Lacy
This course examines the acquisition, disposal, and management of the public lands of the United States. Particular emphasis is placed upon the mineral land laws and the laws related to mineral exploration and development of mineral resources.

**Law 643D (3-units) Native American Natural Resources**, taught by Torrivio Fodder
This course will examine several themes: conflicts over which government has sovereign control over which resources; the role that tribal governments play in natural resource allocation and management; questions relating to ownership of natural resources; the changing federal policies relating to natural resources allocation; the role of federal courts, Congress, and Executive branches in relation to the trust responsibilities to protect tribal lands and resources; environmental protection, including EPA policy in relation to Indian Reservations; and natural resource development and management.

**Law 696I (3-units) International Environmental Law**, taught James Hopkins
The development and exchange of scholarly information, usually in a small group setting. The scope of work shall consist of research by course registrants, with the exchange of the results of such research through discussion, reports, and/or papers.

**MNE 697B (1-unit) Modern Corporate organizations in the Minerals Industry / Corporate Organization and Ethics**, taught by Tim Snider
This course is intended to provide an understanding of organizational practices of public corporations in the mining industry. Students will be led to understand the how relationships with regulators, investors, lenders, employees, communities, governments, and indigenous peoples drive the need for specific and varied talent in the production, technical, management, executive employees as well as the board of directors. Students will learn the importance of organizational structure and culture in the corporate setting.

**MNE 697F (2-units) Applied Valuation of Mineral Assets and Projects**, taught by Dave Hammond
This course provides detailed background and practical application of valuation and risk analysis approaches for determining transaction values for mineral assets.

Through much of human history, we were not overly concerned about whether natural resource development as good for local populations, or whether they liked it. The fundamental issues in the industry were geological (finding minerals, timber or oil; and gas), or in the case of dam development, finding good hydroelectric sites; engineering (learning the physical processes to produce and obtain the resources efficiently) and processing (finding more useful products and more diverse and creative ways to use resources). The social, cultural and environmental dimensions, and the local economic impact, were in the back seat, and whether local people felt they were receiving benefits was rarely considered an issue. National government officials and developers made the decision, often with little if any input from locals.

**MLS Only:**

- Law 501 (3 units) Procedure
- Law 502A (3 units) American Common Law I
- Law 507 (3 units) Legal Analysis, Writing and Research
- Law 501 (3 units) Procedure
- Law 554 (3 units) Environmental Law
- Law 559 (3 units) Public International Environmental Law