Position announcement: Affiliate instructor in Real Estate Law

The Runstad Department of Real Estate is seeking applicants for an affiliate instructor position teaching every winter quarter a graduate level course in Real Estate Law.

The course is intended to provide an overview of legal framework applicable to the real estate industry. It begins with the identification of the sources of real estate law and an overview of the U.S. legal system. The focus then shifts to legal issues arising in the most common commercial real estate transactions: purchase and sales, leases and mortgage financings. The review of these transactions also introduces students to the role of title insurance in real estate transactions, due diligence practices, issues involved in entity selection for real estate development and investment, and the role of casualty and liability insurance in real estate ownership and development. Finally, the course examines regulatory impacts on real estate, such as environmental matters, zoning and land use regulation, broker licensing requirements, fair housing laws, eminent domain, and taxation.

Subject areas to be covered in the course include: Nature of property interests, how disputes arising in real estate transactions are resolved; the steps necessary to complete real estate transactions (buying, selling, leasing and financing residential and commercial property; regulation of the real estate industry by local, state and federal authorities, including landlord/tenant relations, land sale disclosure requirements, lender and broker obligations and licensing requirements; and the effect of government laws and regulations.

Qualifications: Applicants must have a Master’s degree in a relevant field. Work experience in corporate real estate or facilities management is required. Related industry experience in construction, engineering, architecture, and private industry is preferred. Teaching experience is preferred although professional experience will be evaluated accordingly.

Submission material: Applications, including a letter of intent, resume, and three letters of recommendation, should be emailed to Prof. Sofia Dermisi at sdermisi@uw.edu by March 18th, 2022. If you are interested in the position, please reach out to Prof. Dermisi for the course syllabus and any other questions you might have.

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