## **FIN-4820**

## **Entertainment Financing & Law**







Topics include: Television, Movies, Sports, Music, Theater/Improv, Digital/New Media and Copyright!





Meet producers, writers and actors, simulate a film festival, pitch an original Entertainment project and negotiate real-world industry deals!

Spaces are limited, sign up for registration today!

Course details: Class No. 36752; Class time: Wednesdays, 6:00-8:45 PM

Contact Professor Daniel Spitz at <u>dspitzlaw@gmail.com</u> or <u>dspitz@calstatela.edu</u> for more information.

(Note: If you have not completed FIN-2050, please e-mail the instructor with your name and CIN so an add code can be issued to you!)

## Sample Topics

- Week 1 Corporate Law/Contract Law Foundations, Entertainment Industry Overview
  - Week 2 Copyright and Television Industry Overview, Casting

Week 3 – Rights Acquisition and Development

Week 4 – History of Film, Studios and Guilds

Week 5 – Talent Deals (Actors, Writers, Directors, Producers)

Week 6 – Film Financing, Budgets and Bonuses

Week 7 – Exhibition and Distribution, American Film Market

Week 8 – Advanced Presentation Skills/Improv, Intro to the Producers
Pitch

Week 9 – Music and Theater Industry Overview

- Week 10 Media Policy: A La Carte Television and Sports Industry
  Overview
- Week 11 Digital Content/The "New" Networks Disney+, Apple, Netflix, Amazon, Hulu, and YouTube

Week 12 – Film Aesthetics/TBD Lecture (class decision)

Week 13 – The Producers Pitch

Week 14 – Clearance, Defamation and Entertainment Litigation

Week 15 - Course Conclusion and Review