

This course meets in Room 305 (3rd floor of Law school) on T/R from 10:45 – 1200. This is the third time I've taught the course and I very much look forward to it. I'm delighted to relay that Bill Hunt, a VP who leads Public Policy at Level 3, will co-teach this fall's course with me.

A note to alleviate confusion: for reasons I've never fully understood the course is titled "Telecom Law & Policy" in the law school, however, it is titled "Law and Regulation" in the ITP program. In any event, it is the same course. The course focuses upon policy aspects concerning how the movement of information is regulated. We'll cover issues ranging from broadband policy to whether Apple should be able to exclude Google applications from the iPhone. It is a timely course.

The class will be taught primarily from *Telecommunications Law and Policy* (Second Edition 2006), by Stuart M. Benjamin, Douglas G. Lichtman, Howard A. Shelanski and Philip J. Weiser. Students must purchase the *Telecommunications Law and Policy* book, although the supplement is optional.

A complete syllabus will be provided on the first day of class. For Week 1's classes, please prepare the following:

- Tuesday 8/25
 - Read "The Big Picture" from Weiser's Digital Crossroads book. This is available on-line [here](#).
 - Read "Even Google Is Blocked With Apps for iPhone" (NYT July 28, 2009), available [here](#).
 - Read Letter from James Schlichting of the FCC to Rick Whitt of Google, dated July 31, 2009, available [here](#).
- Thurs 8/27
 - Sign up for the course on TWEN. **For ITP students, please send me an email with subject line "TWEN Access Request" from the email account that you would like to use for the course.** I'll then sign you up for TWEN and you'll receive an email with instructions.
 - Read Paul Starr, *The Creation of the Media*, pp. 1-19 (Introduction) and pp. 83-111 (America's First Information Revolution). Each of these readings is available on TWEN under "Course Materials."
 - Read David Isenberg, *Rise of the Stupid Network* (circa 1997) (available at <http://www.rageboy.com/stupidnet.html>)

Kind regards,
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