Advanced Contracts will explore topics introduced in Contracts I & II in more depth and with greater reference to philosophy, social science, and law & economics. It should not be thought of as Contracts III. Topics to be explored will include the nature of promise, the purpose of breach, the theory and reality of damages, comparisons between the UCC and common law, and whether courts should expand or limit the enforcement of agreements. Students will write short, casual response papers on the weekly reading, which taken as a whole will account for 25% of the grade. Class participation will account for another 25%, with the final paper counting for 50% of the grade.

Required Texts: Randy Barnett, editor, PERSPECTIVES ON CONTRACT LAW (4th ed. 2009)
Richard Craswell & Alan Schwartz, FOUNDATIONS OF CONTRACT LAW (2012)¹

January 8: Enforcing Promises and Contracts: Barnett 187-217; Craswell 1-7 & 13-15

¹ The Craswell & Schwartz text must have this cover: http://www.amazon.com/Foundations-Contract-Law-Richard-Craswell/dp/1422499413