

Georgetown University Law Center
Merger Antitrust Law
Professor Dale Collins
Fall 2025
Tuesdays and Thursdays, 3:30 pm – 5:30 pm

CLASS SCHEDULE

Unit 1. TransDigm/Takata

Class 1	August 26	Tuesday	Antitrust laws and institutions
Class 2	August 28	Thursday	Remedies Predicting antitrust outcomes

Unit 2. The DOJ/FTC Merger Review Process

Class 3	September 2	Tuesday	The HSR Act The DOJ/FTC merger review process
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Unit 3. Sanford Health/Mid Dakota Clinic

Class 4	September 4	Thursday	Litigation
Class 5	September 9	Tuesday	Market definition
Class 6	September 11	Thursday	Competitive effects Remedy

Unit 4. Hertz/Dollar Thrifty

Class 7	September 16	Tuesday	Investment banking Deal structures Deal premiums The bargaining gain in negotiating price
Class 8	September 18	Thursday	The contested takeover battle Contractual antitrust risk-shifting provisions The end game/remedy

Unit 5. H&R Block/TaxACT

Class 9	September 23	Tuesday	Analysis of the district court opinion
Class 10	September 25	Thursday	Analysis of the district court opinion
Class 11	September 30	Tuesday	Analysis of the district court opinion
Class 12	October 2	Thursday	Analysis of the district court opinion ***NEED TO MOVE THIS CLASS***

Unit 6. Homework Case Study: Ice Cream Merger

Class 13	October 7	Tuesday	Review of Class 13 homework problem
Class 14	October 9	Thursday	Continue review of Class 13 homework problem
	October 10	Friday	Graded homework assignment posted—Due 10/27
	October 14	Tuesday	NO CLASS—Legislative Monday

Unit 7. U.S. Sugar/Imperial Sugar

Class 15	October 16	Thursday	Analysis of the district court opinion
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Unit 8. Staples/Office Depot

Class 16	October 21	Tuesday	Analysis of the district court opinion
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Unit 9. Sysco/U.S. Foods

Class 17	October 23	Thursday	Analysis of the district court opinion
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Unit 10. Potential Competition Mergers

	October 27	Monday	Graded homework assignment due by 11:59 pm
Class 18	October 28	Tuesday	Mylan/Perrigo Medtronic/Covidien Mallinckrodt (Questcor)/Novartis Steris/Synergy Health Facebook/Instagram/WhatsApp

Unit 11. Meta/Within

Class 19	October 30	Thursday	Analysis of the district court opinion
	November 1	Friday	<i>Optional review session:</i> Graded homework assignment

Unit 12. Vertical Mergers

Class 20	November 4	Tuesday	General Electric/Avio Comcast/NBCUniversal AT&T/Time Warner
Class 21	November 6	Thursday	AT&T/Time Warner (cont.)
Class 22	November 11	Tuesday	AT&T/Time Warner (cont.)

Unit 13. UnitedHealth/Change Healthcare

Class 23	November 13	Thursday	Analysis of the district court opinion Coca-Cola/Coca-Cola Enterprises
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Unit 14. Microsoft/Activision

Class 24 November 18 Tuesday Analysis of the district court opinion
Class 26 homework assignment posted

Unit 15. Sealy Tempur/Mattress Firm

Class 25 November 20 Thursday Analysis of the district court opinion

Unit 16. Homework Case Study: Mattress Merger

Class 26 November 25 Tuesday Analysis of homework assignment
November 27 Thursday NO CLASS—THANKSGIVING
-- December 2 Tuesday **OPTIONAL REVIEW CLASS**

FINAL EXAM: Thursday, December 4 – Friday, December 12 (5-hour open-book take-home)