This course will introduce students to the regulatory activities of federal administrative agencies and the legal system in which they operate. Topics will include the economic justifications for regulation; the allocation of regulatory authority between the federal and state governments; the design of modern regulatory statutes and the congressional delegation of authority to agencies; the structure and staffing of agencies; the forms of agency policymaking; agency agenda-setting; agency rulemaking processes; the roles of law, policy, science, and politics (including cost-benefit analysis) in rulemaking; congressional, presidential, and judicial control of agencies; and the enforcement of regulatory mandates.