



**DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION
AND COMMERCE**

**COURSE OUTLINE - WINTER 2012
LR3010 LEGAL RELATIONS
SECTION A3**

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REQUIRED TEXT/RESOURCE MATERIALS:

Duplessis, Enman, O'Byrne and Gunz, *Canadian Business and the Law*, 4th Edition, 2011, Nelson Education Ltd.

CALENDAR DESCRIPTION:

A synoptic view of the Canadian legal system, with emphasis on underlying considerations of social policy. While considering the nature, sources, philosophy, and policy objectives of the law, selected topics from the fields of tort, and contract will be analyzed.

CREDIT/CONTACT HOURS:

This is a 3 credit course, consisting of 3 lecture hours per week.

If you need to contact the course instructors, please do so by emailing them at the addresses provided above or by phoning them at (780) 532-7771 during business hours.

DELIVERY MODE(S):

This course is delivered from the perspective that the law plays an integral part in business decision making. It provides a broad overview of legal principles relevant to the business world.

Some of the main areas touched upon include: the legal system, contract law, forms of business organization, land law, and torts and insurance.

OBJECTIVES:

1. To introduce students to basic legal concepts.
2. To familiarize students with specific areas in which law impacts business.

TRANSFERABILITY:

UA, UC, UL, AU, AF, CU, CUC, KUC.

***** Grades of D or D+ may not be acceptable for transfer to other post-secondary institutions. Students are cautioned that it is their responsibility to contact the receiving institutions to ensure transferability.***

GRADING CRITERIA:

Every effort will be made to ensure that the final grade you receive reflects your effort and achievement as accurately as possible.

January 26, 2012	1st Quiz	15%
February 16, 2012	Mid-term Exam	30%
March 22, 2012	2nd Quiz	15%
TBA	Final Exam	40%

Examination Absence Policy

Absences for a Quiz or the Mid-term Exam will only be allowed in exceptional circumstances and at the discretion of the instructors. For illness, a satisfactory doctor's note must be provided. Students must request to be excused from a Quiz or the Mid-term as soon as possible prior to the date of the Quiz or Mid-term. If the absence is allowed by the instructors, the student's Final Exam will be worth 40% plus the weight of the missed Quiz or Mid-term. If a student misses a Quiz or the Mid-term without the prior approval of the instructors or if a doctor's note is not provided, they will receive 0% on that Quiz or Mid-term. This policy will be strictly enforced.

In addition, you will be expected to complete reading and writing assignments outside of class time, (e.g. chapter-end questions for discussion).

Grades will be assigned on the Letter Grading System.

**Business Administration and Commerce Department
Grading Conversion Chart**

Alpha Grade	4-point Equivalent	Percentage Guidelines	Designation
A+	4.0	90 – 100	EXCELLENT
A	4.0	85 – 89	
A–	3.7	80 – 84	FIRST CLASS STANDING
B+	3.3	77 – 79	
B	3.0	73 – 76	GOOD
B–	2.7	70 – 72	
C+	2.3	67 – 69	SATISFACTORY
C	2.0	63 – 66	
C–	1.7	60 – 62	
D+	1.3	55 – 59	POOR
D	1.0	50 – 54	MINIMAL PASS
F	0.0	0 – 49	FAILURE
WF	0.00	0	FAIL, withdrawal after the deadline

EXAMINATIONS:

You will be tested on your understanding of and ability to apply the concepts presented in class and in the readings. Textbook materials, class discussions, videos or any materials distributed in handouts may all be used for the quizzes or exams. The final exam WILL cover material from the start of the course. More detail on the exams will be provided as the term progresses.

STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES:

You should expect to be called upon to answer questions during class. You may also be asked for informal exercises or assignments to be handed in on a random basis. As

well, you are responsible for obtaining any notes or handouts you may have missed due to an absence.

STATEMENT ON PLAGIARISM AND CHEATING:

Refer to the Student Conduct section of the College Admission Guide at

<http://www.gprc.ab.ca/programs/calendar/> or the College Policy on Student Misconduct:

Plagiarism and Cheating at www.gprc.ab.ca/about/administration/policies/**

**Note: all Academic and Administrative policies are available on the same page.

COURSE SCHEDULE/TENTATIVE TIMELINE:

Date	Topic	Text Chapter	Lecturer
Jan. 5, 10	Introduction to the Study of Law And the Canadian Legal System	1, 2, 3, 4	T. Bayly
Jan. 12, 17	Contract Law Defined and Forming Contracts	5, 6	N. King
Jan. 19, 24	Terms of a Contract	7	T. Bayly
Jan. 26	QUIZ (15%)		N. King
Jan. 31	Non-Enforcement of Contracts	8	N. King
Feb. 2, 7	Contract Termination, Enforcement Breach and Remedies	9	T. Bayly
Feb. 9, 14	Tort Law – Business Torts and Negligence REVIEW FOR MIDTERM	10, 11	T. Bayly
Feb. 16	MIDTERM EXAM (30%)		T. Bayly
Feb. 28	Tort Law – Business Torts and Negligence (Continued)	12	N. King
Mar. 1, 6	Agency	13	N. King

Mar. 8, 13	Business Forms	14	T. Bayly
	Corporate Organization	15	
Mar. 15, 20	Corporate Organization (Continued)	16	T. Bayly
Mar. 22	QUIZ (15%)		N. King
Mar. 27	Real Property – Real Estate and	19	N. King
Mar. 29, Apr. 3	Employment and Dismissal	20-21	T. Bayly
Apr. 5, 10	Insurance	28	N. King
April 12	No Class		

FINAL EXAM DATE, TIME AND LOCATION TO BE ANNOUNCED.