



# Grande Prairie Regional College

## School of Business

### Department: Business Administration and Commerce

COURSE OUTLINE – WINTER 2009  
LR3010 3 (3-0-0) UT Legal Relations  
Section D3

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#### **Required Text/Resource Materials:**

Duplessis, Enman, O'Byrne and Gunz, *Canadian Business and the Law*, 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition, 2008, Nelson Thomson Learning

#### **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.

#### **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: the legal system, contract law, forms of business organization, land law, torts and insurance.

**Objectives:**

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

**Transferability:**

UA, UC, UL, AU, CU, CUC, KUC, AUC

**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 28, 2008	1 <sup>st</sup> Quiz	15%
February 25, 2008	Mid-term Exam	30%
March 25, 2008	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quiz	15%
TBA	Final Exam	40%

\*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.

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Grading Conversion Chart**

<b>Alpha Grade</b>	<b>4-point Equivalent</b>	<b>Percentage Guidelines</b>	<b>Designation</b>
<b>A<sup>+</sup></b>	<b>4</b>	<b>90 – 100</b>	<b>EXCELLENT</b>
<b>A</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>85 – 89</b>	
<b>A<sup>-</sup></b>	<b>3.7</b>	<b>80 – 84</b>	<b>FIRST CLASS STANDING</b>
<b>B<sup>+</sup></b>	<b>3.3</b>	<b>76 – 79</b>	
<b>B</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>73 – 75</b>	<b>GOOD</b>
<b>B<sup>-</sup></b>	<b>2.7</b>	<b>70 – 72</b>	
<b>C<sup>+</sup></b>	<b>2.3</b>	<b>67 – 69</b>	<b>SATISFACTORY</b>

<b>C</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>64 – 66</b>	
<b>C-</b>	<b>1.7</b>	<b>60 – 63</b>	
<b>D+</b>	<b>1.3</b>	<b>55 – 59</b>	<b>MINIMAL PASS</b>
<b>D</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>50 – 54</b>	
<b>F</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0 – 49</b>	<b>FAIL</b>

### **Participation**

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.

### **Contact**

If you need to contact the course instructors, please do so by emailing them at the addresses provided in this document or by telephoning them at (780) 532-7771.

### **COURSE SCHEDULE**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Text Chapter</u>	<u>Lecturer</u>
Jan 7	Introduction to the Study of Law And the Canadian Legal System	1, 2, 3, 4	T. Strang
Jan. 14	Contract Law Defined and Forming Contracts	5, 6	T. Strang
Jan. 21	Terms of a Contract	7	J. Forbes
Jan. 28	<b>QUIZ (15%)</b> Non-Enforcement of Contracts	8	J. Forbes
Feb. 4	Contract Termination, Enforcement Breach and Remedies	9	J. Forbes

Feb. 11	Tort Law – Business Torts and Negligence REVIEW FOR MIDTERM	10, 11, 12	T. Strang
Feb. 25	<b>MIDTERM EXAM (30%)</b> Tort Law Continued	10, 11, 12	T. Strang
Mar. 4	Insurance Law	28	J. Forbes
Mar. 11	Agency	13	J. Forbes
Mar. 18	Business Forms Corporate Organization	14 15-16	T. Strang
Mar. 25	<b>QUIZ (15%)</b> Corporate Organization (Continued)	15-16	J. Forbes
Apr. 1	Real Property – Real Estate and Mortgages	19	T. Strang
Apr. 8	Employment and Dismissal	20-21	J. Forbes

FINAL EXAM DATE, TIME AND LOCATION TO BE ANNOUNCED.

**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.

**Statement on Plagiarism:**

The instructor reserves the right to use electronic plagiarism detection services.