

COURSE: LAWS 2301C - Criminal Justice System

TERM: Winter 2014

PREREQUISITES: LAWS 1000

CLASS: **Day & Time:** Monday - 11:35 a.m. – 2:25 p.m.
 Room: Please check with Carleton Central for current room location

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OFFICIAL COURSE DESCRIPTION

The institutional and social production of criminal law in Canada. Process, personnel, and agencies in the criminal legal system. The role of discretion and mechanisms of accountability. The accused and the place of the victim. Issues and problems in

sentencing and punishment. Theoretical frameworks.

Precludes additional credit for LAWS 2004 [1.a] (no longer offered)

Prerequisite(s): LAWS 1000

Lectures and in-class discussions – three hours a week (in-class registration taken)

REQUIRED TEXTS

O'Regan, Karla and Susan Reid, *Thinking About Criminal Justice in Canada*, (Toronto : Emond Montgomery Publications, 2013) paper.

Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR) (www.un.org)

Pocket Criminal Code 2014, (Toronto: Carswell, 2013), paper (referred to as PCC).
Handouts - including Criminal law offences and procedures summary

SUPPLEMENTARY TEXTS

Roach, Kent, *Criminal Law*, 5th ed., (Toronto Irwin Law, 2012).

Saunders, R.P. and J. Mungale, *Criminal Law in Canada*, 4th ed.,(Toronto: Carswell,2002).

Martin's Annual Criminal Code 2014 Student Edition, (Toronto: Canada Law Book, 2013).

EVALUATION

N.B. All components must be completed in order to get a passing grade

First mid-term test (in-class) (2 hours) (closed book)	30% - February 14
Second mid-term test – Take-home case study	20%- Due March 21
Final examination (2 hours)	40%- (TBA in examination period)
Class/lecture participation	10%- (in-class registration taken)

There will be a late penalty of 2 per cent per day after March 21 and no case study report will be accepted after March 28. Case studies will only be accepted in **hard copy format**. **Failure to provide a hard copy will result in a zero grade.**

Exam preparation can benefit from reviewing announcements, statutes, explanatory notes and materials on 2301C CULearn web site. Links to *Criminal Code* on Canada's Dept. of Justice website can be accessed via CULearn web site. Law Department Citation Style Guide is on CULearn and Department of Law & Legal Studies home page.

ALL STUDENTS are required to sign the register at every class. Your participation mark is based in part on attendance and in part on active participation in class discussions. Explanation of your absence for medical and compassionate reasons will be considered in adjusting the registration record. Excuses that you did not know there is a sign-in registration will not be accepted. ONLY ATTENDING AN IN-CLASS EXAM WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED ATTENDANCE FOR PURPOSES OF THE PARTICIPATION MARK. SHOULD YOU FAIL TO ATTEND AT LEAST ONE REGULAR CLASS, YOU WILL RECEIVE AN F FOR CLASS PARTICIPATION AND THUS WILL FAIL THE COURSE.

SCHEDULE

Jan. 6 - Week 1 - Introduction, Welcome, Syllabus Review and Evaluation Component
Explanation

O'Regan and Reid (ORR) Chapter 1- Studying Criminal Justice
Handout on UDHR (on CU Learn and on UN.org site)

Jan. 13 - Week 2 - Studying Criminal Justice
ORR, chapter 1
ORR, pp. 389-391. "You be the Judge" case

Jan. 20 - Week 3 - The Law, Courts, Procedures & the Constitution
ORR Chapter 5 and 6
Handout on *Criminal Law and Procedure Summary* (on CU Learn site)

Jan. 27 - Week 4 - Criminal Procedure and Evidence (From Traditional To Forensics)
ORR Chapters 6 and 7

Feb. 3 - Week 5 - Policing Practices - History and Organization, Strategies and Operations
ORR Chapters 2 and 3

Feb. 10 - Week 6 - The Legal Powers of The Police and Crime Prevention
ORR Chapter 4 & 15

Feb. 17-21 Week 7 - MID-TERM BREAK - NO CLASS - NO OFFICE HOURS

Feb. 24 - Week 8 - **MID-TERM EXAM IN CLASS – CLOSED BOOK**

Mar. 9 - Week 9 - Sentencing (Adults & Youth)
ORR Chapters 8, 13 & 14

**SECOND MID-TERM TEST -- TAKE-HOME HANDOUT OF CASE STUDY
ON SENTENCING – DUE MARCH 24**

Mar. 10 - Week 10 - Corrections - Institutional Community and Conditional Release in Canada

ORR Chapters 9, 10, & 11

Mar. 17 - Week 11 - Types of Offenders
ORR Chapter 12

Mar. 24 - Week 12 - Selected Issues In Criminal Justice
ORR Chapter 16

Mar. 31 - Week 13 - ORR Chapter 25, pp. 389-381 – “You Be The Judge” Case from ORR
Chapter 1 revisited for discussion in class.

Conclusions

Apr. 7 - Week 14 - Final Exam Review (cumulative from February 24 mid-term exam)

Apr. 8 - LAST DAY FOR HANDING IN DEFERRED TERM WORK

Apr. 9-10 - STUDY DAYS

Apr. 11-26 FINAL EXAMINATION PERIOD – LAWS2301C TBA

Examination schedule available on line on Registrar’s site on February 14, 2014

Deferral applications are made to and approved by the Registrar. Instructor is prohibited by departmental policy from deciding deferrals. Deferred exams will be written during the summer months.

Apr. 18 - Statutory holiday - University Closed
