

## Course Outline

<b>COURSE:</b>	<b>LAWS 2301F - Criminal Justice System</b>
<b>TERM:</b>	<b>Fall 2010</b>
<b>PREREQUISITES:</b>	<b>LAWS 1000</b>
<b>CLASS:</b>	<b>Day &amp; Time: Friday, 11:35 a.m. – 2:25 p.m.</b> <b>Room: Please check with Carleton Central for current room location</b>
<b>INSTRUCTOR: (CONTRACT)</b>	<b>Roger Rickwood, Ph.D., LL.M., LL.B., M.A., Hon.B.A.</b>
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Students with disabilities requiring academic accommodations in this course must contact a coordinator at the Paul Menton Centre for Students with Disabilities to complete the necessary Letters of Accommodation. After registering with the PMC, make an appointment to meet and discuss your needs with me in order to make the necessary arrangements as early in the term as possible, but no later than two weeks before the first assignment is due or the first test requiring accommodations. For further information, please see: [http://www.carleton.ca/pmc/students/accom\\_policy.html](http://www.carleton.ca/pmc/students/accom_policy.html) . If you require accommodation for your formally scheduled exam(s) in this course, please submit your request for accommodation to PMC by **November 15, 2010 for December examinations**. For Religious and Pregnancy accommodations, please contact Equity Services, x. 5622 or their website: [www.carleton.ca/equity](http://www.carleton.ca/equity)

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**COURSE DESCRIPTION**

The institutional and social production of criminal law in Canada. Processes, 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 (1.0) (no longer offered)**

**REQUIRED TEXTS**

1. *Criminal Justice in Canada*, 3<sup>rd</sup> edition, Roberts, J. & M. Grossman, 2008, Nelson, Toronto (Referred to as CJIC)
2. *Criminal Law*, 4<sup>th</sup> ed., Kent Roach, 2004, Irwin Law, Toronto (KE8809.R62)
3. *Pocket Criminal Code 2011*, Carswell, 2010, ISBN-978-0-7798-2685-8 Soft Cover. Referred to as PCC)
4. Handouts and cases as required

**SUPPLEMENTARY TEXTS**

1. *Criminal Law in Canada*, 4<sup>th</sup> ed., Saunders, R.P. and Mungale, J., 2002, Carswell, Toronto
2. *Canadian Criminal Justice: A Primer*, 2<sup>nd</sup> ed., C. Griffiths & A. Cunningham, 2002 (HV9960.C2 G76)
3. *Martins Annual Criminal Code 2011*, Toronto.

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

1. **Mid-term in-class exam (2 hours)**    - **30%** (October 22, 2010)
2. **Take-home case study**    - **20%** (Due November 19, 2010)
3. **Final Examination (2 hours)**    - **40%** (During examination period)
4. **Class/lecture participation**    - **10%** (Class attendance will be taken)

**SCHEDULE**

- Sept. 10** Introduction to course - **Crime and the Criminal Law System: An Overview**  
Readings: Roach, Ch. 1
- Sept. 17** **Theoretical Perspectives on Criminal Law and the Criminal Law System**  
Readings: Roach, Ch. 12, pp. 453-459, pp. 441-444  
Roberts, Ch. 1
- Sept. 24** **The Constitution, Criminal Justice and the Division of Powers.**  
Readings: Roach, Ch. 2, Section A
- Oct. 1** **The Constitution, Criminal Justice and the Charter**  
Readings: Roach, Ch. 2, Section B
- Oct. 8** **UNIVERSITY DAY – NO CLASS**
- Oct. 15** **The Criminal Justice System: The Production of Criminal Law Legislation and the Role of Parliament; Police; Prosecutors/Defence; Judges; Juries.**  
Readings: Roberts, Ch. 3, 4, 5 & 10
- Oct. 22** **MID-TERM EXAM - 2 hours - in-class – closed book**  
**Last day to change courses**
- Oct. 29** **The Criminal Justice System: Victims; the Accused**  
Readings: Roach, Ch. 12, pp. 444-445  
Roberts, Ch. 22
- Nov. 5** **Criminal Justice System: Probation Officers and Federal Parole Officers**  
Readings: Roberts, Ch. 6 & 7  
**TAKE-HOME CASE STUDY TO BE HANDED OUT**
- Nov. 12** **Sentencing**  
Readings: Roberts, Ch. 11 & 12
- Nov. 15** **Last day to submit to PMC for students with disabilities forms for fall exam accommodation.**
- Nov. 19** **TAKE-HOME CASE STUDY DUE**  
Trends in Criminal Law; Racial and Aboriginal Issues  
Readings: Roberts, Ch. 15 & 16
- Nov. 26** **Trends in Criminal Law; Intimate Partner Violence**  
Readings: Roberts, Ch. 21
- Dec. 3** **FINAL CLASS**  
Trends in Criminal Law; Wrongful Convicted & Restorative Justice  
Readings: Roberts, Ch. 17, 18, 24
- Dec. 6** **Last day to withdraw from course without academic penalty**
- Dec. 9** **CU Exams start**  
Final exam TBA