Carleton University

Department of Law and Legal Studies

Course Outline

Course: LAWS 3003B - Contracts

TERM: Winter 2015

Prerequisites: LAWS 2202

CLASS: Day & Time: Mondays: 6:00pm - 9:00pm

Room: Please check with Carleton Central for current room location

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COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course examines the enforcement of promises and agreements; basic doctrines and underlying principles of the law of contract are studied from formation of the contract to remedies for breach of contract; role of contract for economic and social purposes is also considered.

REQUIRED TEXTS

Contracts: Cases and Commentaries, Eighth Edition, Stephanie Ben-Ishai and David Percy (available in C. U. Book Store).

EVALUATION

(All components must be completed in order to get a passing grade)

Standing in a course is determined by the course instructor subject to the approval of the Department and of the Faculty Dean. This means that grades submitted by the instructor may be subject to revision. No grades are final until they have been approved by the Department and the Dean.

- 1. Mid Term Exam March 2nd- 2 hours closed book- 50%
- 2. Final Exam- 2 hours closed book- Final Exam period, April 11 23, 2015 50% of the grade
- 3. Students will be tested on their knowledge and understanding of Contracts Law as set out in the schedule below. Both the midterm and final examinations will be based on the understanding of assigned reading, cases reviewed and lecture notes and discussions.

SCHEDULE

- 1. Jan 5-Introduction
- 2. Jan 12-Chapter 2-Formation of Contract.
- 3. Jan 19-Chapter 2-Formation of Contract
- 4. Jan 26 -Chapter 2-Formation of Contract

- 5. Feb 02-Chapter 4-Certainty of Terms and Enforcement of Promises
- 6. Feb 09-Chapter 4-Certainty of Terms and Enforcement of Promises
- 7. Feb 16--Midterm Break -No Class
- 8. Feb 23-Chapter 5 Privity and Exam Review
- 9. Mar 02-Midterm Exam
- 10. Mar 09-Chapter 7Representation and Terms. Chapter 8-Standard Form Contracts.
- 11. Mar 16-Chapter 9 Mistake. Chapter 10-Frustration
- 12. Mar 23-Chapter 12-Protection of Weaker Parties. Chapter 14-Damages
- 13. Dec 03-Chapter 14-Damages.Wrap-up and exam review