

Course Outline

COURSE: LAWS 3408A

TERM: Summer 2009

PREREQUISITES: LAWS 2003 or LAWS 2005

CLASS: **Day & Time:** Monday & Wednesday 9:05-11:55
Room: Please check with Carleton Central for current room location

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COURSE DESCRIPTION

The purpose of this course is to give all students a general overview of the major elements of « sport law ». The subject covered will include agents and athlete representation, contract & employment law, intellectual property law, anti-doping in sport, risk management & liability, criminal and tort Law, anti-dispute-resolution and disciplinary procedures. The course will also approach "Sport Law" from an ethical point of view and allow for discussion and exercises on the various issues covered.

REQUIRED TEXTS

Required readings: On reserve at library

SUPPLEMENTARY TEXTS

Supplementary readings: Suggested on reserve.

EVALUATION

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

40% : 10 page paper on subject of your choice (to be approved before July 27)

10% : In-class oral presentation, Q& A

15% : In-class exercise (to be completed in class July 15)

25% : Take home assignment (to be provided July 22 and handed back July 27)

10% : In-class participation

Note: *Standing in a course is determined by the course instructor subject to the approval 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 Dean."*

Some Important notes on your evaluation:

All papers and written assignments: Will be graded in accordance with Carleton University's usual grading principles. The grammar, citation format & presentation must coincide with that of the Department of Law.

ASSIGNMENTS MUST BE FULLY ORIGINAL. *Faculty regulations require that all cases of suspected plagiarism be referred to the Dean. This matter is taken very seriously within the University and punishment in past cases has been severe. The Carleton University Calendar states that instructional offences, including plagiarism, may result in failure in the course, expulsion from the degree program, or expulsion from the University.*

It may constitute plagiarism if students quote or adopt ideas from any source, without appropriate attribution (by the use of endnotes or footnotes). Similarly, direct quotes must be attributed and indicated by quotation marks. Students must obtain prior approval of the instructor if they intend to submit work which has been previously or is being concurrently submitted for credit in this and/or another course.

Oral Presentation: Will be graded based on your ability to provide an interesting 10 succinct overview of the subject you have researched: your basic premise, your development of the subject and your conclusion. You will also be graded on your ability to answer questions insightfully.

Class Participation: Will be graded on your active and insightful participation in class discussions and in class exercises.

SCHEDULE

July 6

- Introduction Seminar

July 8

- "Sports Law" what is it?
- Sports Law Jargon

July 13

- Athlete Agents & Athlete Representation

- Employment Contracts
- Restraint of Trade exercise

July 15

- Civil Liabilities – Tort Law etc.
- Risk Assessment
- Risk Management
- In class assignment

July 20

- Intellectual Property. Copyright & Patent Law
- Broadcasting, Media & Corporate rights
- Negotiation exercise

July 22

- Anti-Doping
- WADA and the World Anti-Doping Code
- CCES and the Canadian Anti-Doping Program
- Take home assignment Draft 2 decisions

July 27

- Tort Law
- Criminal Law
- Discussion: violence in sports.

July 29

- Disciplinary Procedures & Procedural Rights
- Administrative tribunal, Judiciary system, ADR
- Mediation, arbitration, negotiation
- Mediation exercise

August 5

- Discrimination
- Gambling & Max-Fixing
- Olympics
- in class discussion & debate

August 10 (or before)

- Class Presentations begin

August 12

- Class presentations

August 17

- Class presentations
- Last day to hand in final papers