## **Carleton University**

# **Department of Law and Legal Studies**

#### **Course Outline**

Course: LAWS 3003B – Contracts

TERM: WINTER 2021

PREREQUISITES: LAWS 2202 and .5 credits in LAWS at the 2000 level

CLASS: Day & Time: Wednesdays 11:35 am – 2:25 pm

Room: All Courses in the Winter 2021 term are offered online.

Lectures in this course will be held "live" online via the Zoom platform-

by invitation on CuLearn

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## **CALENDAR COURSE DESCRIPTION**

This course is about the enforcement of promises and agreements; basic doctrines and underlying principles of the law of contract; remedies for breach of contract; role of contract for economic, equitable and social purposes is also considered.

### **REQUIRED TEXTS**

Contracts: Cases and Commentaries, Tenth Edition Stephanie Ben-Ishai and David R. Percy. Available from the Carleton University Book Store and the Book Store's online portal: <a href="https://www.bkstr.com/carletonstore/home">https://www.bkstr.com/carletonstore/home</a>

## **EVALUATION**

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.

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## 20% - Class participation.

The mark out of 20 assesses participation in class-on line discussion, and a record will be kept to track participation. However, NO-ONE will receive less out of 20 than they did out of the remaining 80 marks, even if they don't participate, but those who attend class online and are prepared to discuss the material may receive MORE than their average out of the remaining 80 marks.

## 40% - Assignment

Mid-term essay – to be posted on CuLearn February 10, 2021, due back March 10, 2021. Late penalty -5% of your mark for each day late.

40% - Final exam

3-hour open book online exam – during the final exam period – April 11-23, 2021;

#### LATE PENALTIES AND REQUESTS FOR EXTENSIONS

The granting of extensions is determined by the instructor who will confirm whether an extension is granted and the length of the extension. For requests for extensions lasting less than 7 days, please complete the form at the following link and submit it to the instructor prior to the assignment due date. <a href="https://carleton.ca/registrar/wp-content/uploads/COVID-19">https://carleton.ca/registrar/wp-content/uploads/COVID-19</a> Self-declaration.pdf Extensions for longer than 7 days will normally not be granted. In those extraordinary cases where extensions lasting longer than 7 days are granted, the student will be required to provide additional information to justify the longer extension (up to a maximum of 14 days).

## **SCHEDULE**

Reading	Date	Lecture topic
Chapter 1	Jan. 6	The Law of Contract
Chapter 2	Jan. 13	Formation of the Agreement – Offer and Acceptance
Chapter 3	Jan. 20	Formation of the Agreement – Certainty of Terms
Chapter 4	Jan. 27	Enforcement of Promises Response
Chapter 5	Feb. 3	Privity of Contract
Chapter 6	Feb. 10	Contingent Agreements Assignment posted online

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	Feb. 15-19	WINTER BREAK – NO CLASSES
Chapter 7	Feb. 24	Representations, Terms, Classifications, Consequences
Chapter 8	Mar. 3	Standard Form Contracts and Exclusion Clauses Assignment due back
Chapter 9	Mar. 10	Mistake Assignment due by e-mail
Chapter 10	Mar. 17	Frustration
Chapter 11	Mar. 24	Protection of Weaker Parties
Chapter 12, 13	Mar. 31	Illegality and Public Policy, Remedies
	April 7	REVIEW CLASS
	Apr. 11-23	FORMALLY SCHEDULED EXAM PERIOD

# **ACADEMIC ACCOMMODATIONS**

You may need special arrangements to meet your academic obligations during the term. For an accommodation request the processes are as follows:

<u>Pregnancy obligation</u>: Please contact me with any requests for academic accommodation during the first two weeks of class, or as soon as possible after the need for accommodation is known to exist. For more details, visit the Equity Services website: <a href="https://carleton.ca/equity/accommodation/academic/students/">https://carleton.ca/equity/accommodation/academic/students/</a>

**Religious obligation:** write to me with any requests for academic accommodation during the first two weeks of class, or as soon as possible after the need for accommodation is known to exist. For more details, visit the Equity Services website: <a href="https://carleton.ca/equity/accommodation/academic/students/">https://carleton.ca/equity/accommodation/academic/students/</a>

Academic Accommodations for Students with Disabilities: If you have a documented disability requiring academic accommodations in this course, please contact The Paul Menton Centre (PMC) at 613-520-6608 or pmc@carleton.ca for a formal evaluation. If you are already registered with the PMC, contact your PMC coordinator to send me your Letter of Accommodation at the beginning of the term, and no later than two weeks before the first in-class scheduled test or exam requiring accommodation (if

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applicable). After requesting accommodation from PMC, meet with me as soon as possible to ensure accommodation arrangements are made. Please consult the PMC Website for their deadline to request accommodations for the formally scheduled exam (if applicable). https://carleton.ca/pmc/students/accommodations/

### **Plagiarism**

Plagiarism is presenting, whether intentional or not, the ideas, expression of ideas or work of others as one's own. Plagiarism includes reproducing or paraphrasing portions of someone else's published or unpublished material, regardless of the source, and presenting these as one's own without proper citation or reference to the original source. Examples of sources from which the ideas, expressions of ideas or works of others may be drawn from include but are not limited to: books, articles, papers, literary compositions and phrases, performance compositions, chemical compounds, art works, laboratory reports, research results, calculations and the results of calculations, diagrams, constructions, computer reports, computer code/software, and material on the Internet. Plagiarism is a serious offence.

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## **Accommodation for Student Activities**

Carleton University recognizes the substantial benefits, both to the individual student and for the university, that result from a student participating in activities beyond the classroom experience. Reasonable accommodation must be provided to students who compete or perform at the national or international level. Please contact your instructor with any requests for academic accommodation during the first two weeks of class, or as soon as possible after the need for accommodation is known to exist. <a href="https://carleton.ca/senate/wp-content/uploads/Accommodation-for-Student-Activities-1.pdf">https://carleton.ca/senate/wp-content/uploads/Accommodation-for-Student-Activities-1.pdf</a>

For more information on academic accommodation, please contact the departmental administrator or visit: <a href="https://carleton.ca/equity/accommodation/academic/">https://carleton.ca/equity/accommodation/academic/</a>

#### **Department Policy**

The Department of Law and Legal Studies operates in association with certain policies and procedures. Please review these documents to ensure that your practices meet our Department's expectations.

http://carleton.ca/law/current-students/