

Course Outline

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**COURSE:** LAWS 2201 C – Persons and Property

**TERM:** WINTER 2020

**PREREQUISITES:** LAWS 1001 and LAWS 1002 (Formerly LAWS 1000)

**CLASS:**           **Day & Time:** Wednesdays 6:05 p.m. – 8:55 p.m.  
                          **Room:** Please check with Carleton Central for current room location

**INSTRUCTOR:** David Dwoskin  
**(CONTRACT)**

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**CALENDAR COURSE DESCRIPTION**

Origins and scope of the concept of person in law and how concepts of legal personality change over time. Origins and scope of the concept of property and how concepts of property change over time.

**COURSE DESCRIPTION**

This course examines the distinction between public and private law, and private law relationships specifically relating to the concepts of legal entities, legal personality, legal standing, and the law of property as it relates to women, the disabled, the family, and the changing nature of property itself. How concepts of personhood and property are created and protected in law, and how legal categories and concepts embody particular visions of social life will be emphasized. The course will also emphasize the role played by the state in the ordering of private law relations. You should learn about how law works, the impact of law, why particular rules exist, and what role the Charter of Rights plays as well.

**REQUIRED TEXTS**

*Just Between the Law and Us: Vol 1, 2<sup>nd</sup> edition – Persons and Property – Neil Sargent, Logan Atkinson, eds. Toronto Captus Press, ISBN 978-1-55322-348-1, (Available from the Carleton University Book Store).*

**SUPPLEMENTARY TEXTS** None

**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.

**40% - Assignment – mid term essay – to be handed out February 5, 2020, due March 4, 2020;**

**40% - Final exam – scheduled 3-hour exam – during final exam period – April 13-25, 2020;**

**20% - Class participation – The mark awarded assesses participation in class discussion, and a record will be kept to keep track of participation.**

**SCHEDULE**

<b>Reading</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Lecture topic</b>
Chapter 1	Jan. 8	Private Law and the Social World
Chapter 2	Jan. 15	Legal Individualism
Chapter 3	Jan. 22	Legal Personality
Chapter 4	Jan. 29	Women and Personhood
Chapter 5	Feb.5	Partial Personhood - Disability Assignment handed out
Chapters 6, 8	Feb. 12	Legal Construction of Family, Personhood – Environmental Rights
	Feb. 17-21	<b>Winter Break – No classes</b>
Chapters 9	Feb. 26	Legal Construction of Property Assignment due
Chapter 10	Mar. 4	Rights Associated with Land
Chapter 11	Mar. 11	Rights of Property and Family
Chapter 7, 12	Mar. 18	Aboriginals – Personhood/Property
Chapters 13	Mar. 25	Changing Concepts of Property
No new readings	Apr. 1	<b>REVIEW CLASS</b>
	Apr. 13-25	<b>FINAL EXAM PERIOD</b>

**Academic Accommodations:**

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

**Pregnancy obligation:** 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: [carleton.ca/equity/wp-content/uploads/Student-Guide-to-Academic-Accommodation.pdf](http://carleton.ca/equity/wp-content/uploads/Student-Guide-to-Academic-Accommodation.pdf)

**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: [carleton.ca/equity/wp-content/uploads/Student-Guide-to-Academic-Accommodation.pdf](http://carleton.ca/equity/wp-content/uploads/Student-Guide-to-Academic-Accommodation.pdf)

**Academic Accommodations for Students with Disabilities:** If you have a documented disability requiring academic accommodations in this course, please contact PMC at 613-520-6608 or [pmc@carleton.ca](mailto: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 applicable). After requesting accommodation from PMC, meet with me to ensure accommodation arrangements are made. Please consult the PMC Website for their deadline to request accommodations for the formally-scheduled exam (if applicable) [www.carleton.ca/pmc](http://www.carleton.ca/pmc)

**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. <https://carleton.ca/senate/wp-content/uploads/Accommodation-for-Student-Activities-1.pdf>

For more information on academic accommodation, please contact the departmental administrator or visit: [students.carleton.ca/course-outline](https://students.carleton.ca/course-outline)

**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/>

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