COURSE: LAWS/HIST 3305 B Crime and State in History

TERM: FALL 2021

PREREQUISITE: Third year standing or above

CLASS: Pre-record lectures delivered via *Brightspace*\* according to the

schedule on page 3 below. Please note that classes 2 to 11 are professionally recorded CUOL lectures from previous terms. You are responsible for all academic content in the lectures (and will be

assessed on that content), but administrative references to previous university term dates, to *CULearn*, and to the 2020 coursepack may be disregarded (all discrepancies in such

information may be resolved by reference to this course outline and

lecture 1).

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me

\*Online Learning Information: *Brightspace* is the new learning management system (LMS) that replaces *CULearn* for Carleton University courses. For more information, see <a href="https://www.carleton.ca/brightspace">www.carleton.ca/brightspace</a>

- Log into Brightspace brightspace.carleton.ca using your MyCarleton (MC1) credentials (MyCarleton1 username and password) to access this course.
- Need help logging in? Contact the ITS Service Desk for assistance.
- Other questions? For more information see TLS student support portal: https://carleton.ca/brightspace/students/#portal1.

#### **Calendar Description:**

The history of the relationship between the criminal law system and society. Changing issues in the criminal law and the nature of institutional responses, from medieval to early 19<sup>th</sup> century England and 19<sup>th</sup> century Canada.

## **Detailed Course Description:**

This course surveys historical changes in the definition of crime and the administration of criminal law. While the adversarial criminal trial with jury is associated with the medieval origins of the common law, the basic elements of our current criminal justice system reflect relatively recent transformations in law enforcement, the criminal trial and punishment. These transformations are associated with the rise of the modern state and were responses to the effects of industrialization, urbanization, and colonization. The course focuses on 18th and 19th century England, and on the adoptions of the English criminal law and institutions in late 18th and 19th century Canada. Selected issues in criminal law history are also explored including Indigenous experiences, the experience of women, and political trials or national security resorts to the criminal law

### Course Organization:

Due to the pandemic, the lectures (previously recorded by CUOL) are delivered asynchronously on the *Brightspace* course site. Students are expected to complete the required readings set out in the Topics and Readings Schedule below before viewing the lectures each week, and to comply with all deadlines and due dates set out below. High-speed internet access and a computer are therefore required for this course.

#### **REQUIRED READINGS:**

All assigned readings can be accessed on the *Brightspace* course site via ARES (online MacOdrum Library reserves) or as a PDF file. In addition to these readings it is recommended you also review the relevant lecture abstract before each class to situate the readings and to familiarize yourselves with the key points as elaborated in each lecture.

## **EVALUATION:**

- Research Essay
   8-10 pages (topics made available by late September), due Wednesday 10 November via electronic submission on *Brightspace*.
- b) Final Examination 50%

  A two part final assessment made available and submitted on *Brightspace* during the formally scheduled examination period in December. Note that the final examination is administered by Carleton Examination Services (with PMC accommodations through the MacIntyre Examination Centre and may entail remote proctoring -see <a href="https://carleton.ca/ses/e-proctoring">https://carleton.ca/ses/e-proctoring</a>)

#### IMPORTANT NOTES ABOUT ASSESSMENT AND EVALUATION

All assessed components must be completed in order to receive a passing grade. Late essays will not be accepted after 8 December 2021. Any deferrals of the Essay or Final Assessment, following the same format, will be considered only upon application to and approval from the Registrar's Office.

Research Essays should be submitted as an electronic pdf or MSWord file through the essay submit link on *Brightspace* by 4:00 pm on the due date. Corrupted files will not be accepted as valid submissions and essays will be deemed received only when they can be first accessed by me or the TA on *Brightspace*. Please retain a secure, dated file copy of the submitted essay. Late essays will be marked down 2 marks out of 50 for each day late after the due date without authorized extension. Extension requests should be made in advance of the due date (emergencies excepted) and will require documented support. A completed marking rubric containing assessment of your essay will be returned to you via *Brightspace* by 8 December. The final exam is held during the formal December examination period (11-23 December). It is an open book 'limited duration within range' exam, to be completed within the specified period of posting by Carleton Examination Services in *Brightspace*. The exam may not be disclosed to others, it must reflect your own work and you may not collaborate with other students in completing it. Answers will be audited and suspected violations of academic integrity will be reported to the Chair and Dean.

All students are expected to engage in respectful and courteous communication and contribute towards an engaging, inclusive, and safe learning environment. Please note regulations concerning academic integrity and related instructional offences noted in the Academic Regulations below and in the Undergraduate Calendar. Prior approval of the instructor must be obtained if it is intended to submit work that has previously or concurrently been submitted for credit in this or another course. Standing in a course is determined by the course instructor subject to the approval of the Department Chair and of the Faculty Dean. Grades recorded in the *Brightspace* gradebook are provisional and are not final until they have been approved by the Chair and the Dean and are posted on *Carleton Central*.

### SCHEDULE OF TOPICS AND REQUIRED READINGS:

(All readings and recorded lectures may be accessed via links in Brightspace; all readings on ARES reserves unless otherwise indicated as pdfs):

Lecture 1 Introduction (8 September 2021 -see lecture link for class 1 in Brightspace)

Lecture 2 Conceptualizing Criminal Law and History;

System Origins from 12<sup>th</sup> to late 17<sup>th</sup> centuries (2020 rec.)

## Part 1: Overview of Developments in Criminal Law, Historiographic Debates

#### Lecture 3 Eighteenth Century England and Historiographical Debates (2020

rec.) Hay, Readings: Hay, "Property, Authority and the Criminal Law"

(pdf) Langbein, "Albion's Fatal Flaws" (ARES)

## Lecture 4 Nineteenth Century England and the 'Great Reforms' (2020 rec,)

Reading: McGowan, "The Images of Justice and Reform"

## Lecture 5 The Colonial Reception of English Criminal Law and Institutions;

19th century Canada (2020 rec.)

Hay, Meanings of the Criminal Law in Quebec, 1764-1774";

Glavin, "The Nisga'a Treaty: Death of an Ideology"; Parker, "The Origins of the Canadian Criminal Code"

## Part 2: Institutional Developments and the Administration of Criminal Law

### Lecture 6 Criminal Law Enforcement, the Rise of Police and Public Prosecutions (2020 rec.)

Readings: Storch, "The Plague of Blue Locusts"

Macleod, "Canadianizing the West"; Hay, "Controlling the English Prosecutor"

# **Lecture 7** The Criminal Trial and Legal Personnel (2020 rec.)

Readings: Langbein, "The Criminal Trial Before Lawyers";

Beattie, "The Scales of Justice"

## **Lecture 8 Punishment** (2020 rec.) (NB: No class 27 October -Reading Week)

Readings: McGowan, "The Images of Justice and Reform" (re-read from lecture 4);

Taylor, "Kingston Penitentiary and Moral Architecture"

## Part 3: Selected Issues in Canadian Criminal Law History (NB: No class 10 November –essay due)

## Lecture 9 The Experiences of Indigenous Nations in Canada (2020 rec.)

Readings: Loo, "The Road from Bute Inlet";

Schuh, "Justice on the Northern Frontier: Early Murder Trials of Native Accused"

## **Lecture 10** The Experiences of Women (2021 rec.)

Readings: Gavigan, "Petit Treason in 18th Century England";

Backhouse, "Sayer Street Outrage";

## Lecture 11 <u>Criminal Law and Political Order</u> (2021 rec.)

Readings: McNaught, "Political Trials and the Canadian Political Tradition";

Wright, "State Trials in Post Revolution British North America" (pdf)

<sup>\*</sup>Note: An exam review document will be posted on *Brightspace* by the last scheduled class on 8 December (no lecture 12) and essay assessments returned then before the formal examination period commences. The final

exam will be administered on Brightspace during the formally scheduled final exam period (11-23 December) and although it will be written online, it is not considered a 'take home' exam.

## **General University Matters:**

Fall Term 2021 Sessional Dates and University Closures	
Please find a full list of important academic dates on the calendar website: <a href="https://calendar.carleton.ca/academicyear/">https://calendar.carleton.ca/academicyear/</a>	
September 6, 2021	Statutory holiday. University closed.
September 8, 2021	Fall term begins. Fall and fall/winter classes begin.
October 11, 2021	Statutory holiday. University closed.
October 25-29, 2021	Fall break, no classes.
November 26, 2021	Last day for summative tests or examinations, or formative tests or examinations totaling more than 15% of the final grade before the official examination period (see examination regulations in the Academic Regulations of the University section of the Undergraduate Calendar/General Regulations of the Graduate Calendar).
December 10, 2021	Fall term ends. Last day of fall term classes. Classes follow a Monday schedule.
December 11-23, 2021	Formally Scheduled Final Exams may be held.
December 23, 2021	All take home examinations are due on this day, with the exception of those conforming to the examination regulations in the Academic Regulations of the University section of the Undergraduate Calendar/General Regulations of the Graduate Calendar.
December 25, 2021 through January 1, 2022 inclusive	University closed.

## **COVID-19 PREVENTION MEASURES**

All members of the Carleton community are required to follow COVID-19 prevention measures and all mandatory public health requirements (e.g. wearing a mask, physical distancing, hand hygiene, respiratory and cough etiquette) and <u>mandatory self-screening</u> prior to coming to campus daily.

If you feel ill or exhibit COVID-19 symptoms while on campus or in class, please leave campus immediately, self-isolate, and complete the mandatory <u>symptom reporting tool</u>. For purposes of contact tracing, attendance will be taken in all classes and labs. Participants can check in using posted QR codes through the cuScreen platform where provided. Students who do not have a smartphone will be required to complete a paper process as indicated on the <u>COVID-19 website</u>.

All members of the Carleton community are required to follow guidelines regarding safe movement and seating on campus (e.g. directional arrows, designated entrances and exits, designated seats that maintain physical distancing). In order to avoid congestion, allow all previous occupants to fully vacate a classroom before entering. No food or drinks are permitted in any classrooms or labs.

For the most recent information about Carleton's COVID-19 response and required measures, please see the <u>University's COVID-19 webpage</u> and review the <u>Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)</u>. Should you have additional questions after reviewing, please contact <u>covidinfo@carleton.ca</u>

Please note that failure to comply with University policies and mandatory public health requirements, and endangering the safety of others are considered misconduct under the <u>Student Rights and Responsibilities</u> <u>Policy</u>. Failure to comply with Carleton's COVID-19 procedures may lead to supplementary action involving Campus Safety and/or Student Affairs.

## **ACADEMIC ACCOMMODATIONS**

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

**Pregnancy 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 accommodation regarding a formally-scheduled final exam, you must complete the <a href="Pregnancy Accommodation Form">Pregnancy Accommodation Form</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 <u>click</u> <u>here</u>.

Academic Accommodations for Students with Disabilities: The Paul Menton Centre for Students with Disabilities (PMC) provides services to students with Learning Disabilities (LD), psychiatric/mental health disabilities, Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD), Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD), chronic medical conditions, and impairments in mobility, hearing, and vision. If you have a disability requiring academic accommodations in this course, please contact PMC at 613-520-6608 or <a href="mailto:pmc@carleton.ca">pmc@carleton.ca</a> 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 the deadline to request accommodations for the formally-scheduled exam (if applicable).

#### **Survivors of Sexual Violence**

As a community, Carleton University is committed to maintaining a positive learning, working and living environment where sexual violence will not be tolerated, and where survivors are supported through academic accommodations as per Carleton's Sexual Violence Policy. For more information about the services available at the university and to obtain information about sexual violence and/or support, visit: https://carleton.ca/equity/sexual-assault-support-services

# **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 will be provided to students who compete or perform at the national or international level. 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: <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>

## **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. More information on the University's Academic Integrity Policy can be found at: <a href="https://carleton.ca/registrar/academic-integrity/">https://carleton.ca/registrar/academic-integrity/</a>.

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For more information on academic accommodation, please visit: <a href="https://students.carleton.ca/services/accommodation/">https://students.carleton.ca/services/accommodation/</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: https://carleton.ca/law/student-experience-resources/.