**Course Outline**

**Course:** LAWS 5662/6002 – Law, Regulation and Governance
Desire, Assemblage, and the Law: Deleuzian contributions to Law, Regulation and Governance

**Term:** Winter – 2018

**Prerequisites:** None

**Class:**

- **Day & Time:** Monday, 2:35 pm - 5:25 pm
- **Room:** Please check with Carleton Central for current room location

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**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:** 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: [http://carleton.ca/equity/](http://carleton.ca/equity/)

**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: [http://carleton.ca/equity/](http://carleton.ca/equity/)

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You can visit the Equity Services website to view the policies and to obtain more detailed information on academic accommodation at [http://carleton.ca/equity/](http://carleton.ca/equity/)

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**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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**COURSE DESCRIPTION**

**Calendar Course Description:** Historical and contemporary roles of law and regulation in processes, practices and discourses of governance. Law and state; domestic and global governance; diversity of law-governance relationships; law as a constituent force, enforcement mechanism and a distinctive product of governance.

**Official Course Description:** Departing from Freud and Marx, the work of Gilles Deleuze and Felix Guattari forges a novel and creative contribution to critical theory. This course is intentionally rhizomatic, parting with the arborescent schemas that characterize social and legal studies of law, regulation, and governance. This seminar will consist of close readings of the many collaborations between Deleuze and Guattari. We will also read across various contributions to the study of law, regulation and governance inspired by these philosophers. We shall be primarily concerned with the plethora of concepts deployed by Deleuze and Guattari and how such concepts can be creatively used across diverse landscapes and topics of study. We will elucidate, inter alia, Deleuze and Guattari’s concepts of assemblage, desire, faciality, and folds.

**REQUIRED TEXTS**


**SUPPLEMENTARY TEXTS**

*All other course materials are available on cuLearn.*

**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.

**Research Paper Proposal and Sample Bibliography (5%):**

This assignment involves the development of a specific research question and research parameters for your final paper. The abstract (2 double spaced typed pages including references) should briefly outline the thesis, issues, and arguments you will present in your final paper. Try to choose a clearly delineated and manageable topic and avoid embarking on vast research enterprises. The bibliography should present the literature you propose to use to address these issues. The bibliography is expected to conform to the minimum requirements for the final research paper (see below). You do not have to include sources from the syllabus, but it is strongly encouraged.

**Presentation (25% - 12.5% per presentation):**

Each student will conduct two presentations*. See sign-up sheet.

Presentations will introduce the class to the major issues related to the designated topic, will synthesize the required reading of the respective week, and will evaluate the material in terms of its strengths and limitations (presenters are encouraged to include their own views, criticisms, and interpretations).

The presenter will prepare a presentation of approximately 30 minutes in length. The remainder of the class will be dedicated to a discussion of the issues. The use of visual aids is encouraged as the aim of the presentation is to promote class discussion and debate not only on the content of the material but also on the general theme.
* Depending on the size of the class, students may have to present with another student.

**Participation (15%):** Students who are not presenting are expected to attend each presentation and are responsible for engaging in scholarly debate, posing critical questions, or raising scholarly points for discussion on the assigned readings and the presentation of the assigned readings.

**Weekly cuLearn Postings (15%):**

In addition to the class attendance, students must post on the discussion board on a weekly basis. Students will be divided into two groups, “A” and “B.” Starting from the second week, each student in group “A” must post one discussion question by **Wednesday at noon** on any one of the readings. Students in group “B” must then provide at least three responses to the posted discussions (either in the same discussion thread, or in different discussion threads) by **Friday at 12 p.m.** In the following week, the roles will reverse, and group “B” will be the posters, and group “A,” the responders. We will switch back and forth until the end of the readings. Each week is worth 1.5% of the final grade. Each discussion post and response should be between 150 and 250 words in length.

**Research Paper Assignment (40%):**

For this assignment, students shall write an essay on a subject matter suitable to the course. It is important to utilize ideas, arguments, and concepts presented in class and in course readings and to discuss and critically evaluate the materials you use in your paper. The aim of the research paper is to synthesize, discuss, and assess (not simply describe or summarize) scholarly literature and to develop a conceptual analysis of the topic chosen.

Papers shall be **20 pages** in length and must be **typed** and **double-spaced**.

Composition of the Research Paper: The paper should reflect and communicate specific information from the writer to the reader. It should start with a statement of intentions and objectives, followed by a discussion and analysis of supporting and illustrative materials. Do not limit yourself to descriptive analyses only; employ relevant concepts and incorporate theoretical (or formal explanatory) frameworks within your study. In writing your essay, you should be able to summarize the thesis (major argument) in a brief statement or short paragraph.
Layout of the Research Paper:

**Introduction:** The introduction presents the theme or issues explored in the essay. It briefly outlines your approach to the topic and the major ideas and argument(s) advanced in the main body of the essay. This section is 1-2 pages in length.

**Main body of the research essay:** This section develops the main argument(s) of the essay. This main body should present your theoretical framework and review and assess the appropriate literature, while providing an exposition of the central points. The research theme, together with ideas relating to the central thesis, should be clearly presented and substantiated. Ideally, each paragraph should focus upon a major point related to the central argument(s) or theoretical framework. Internal headings and sub-headings are useful as a device to mark shifts in discussion while, at the same time, maintaining an integration of points to the central theme. This section is 16-18 pages in length.

**Conclusion:** This last section provides a brief summary of the essay's major argument(s) within the context of the central theme addressed. The conclusion is 1-2 pages in length.

**Bibliography/References:** Each research paper must make direct references to appropriate course readings on your specific topic.

A minimum of twenty cited scholarly references is required including books, scholarly journal articles and academic quality book chapters on your selected topic by different social scientific authors. Do not draw heavily on a single source.

References to source(s) of information should include the author's surname, year of publication, and pagination as in the APA or Harvard style guide. **Do not use footnotes or endnotes.** Indicate on your cover page which referencing style will be used in the essay.

Citation of the sources must always be given for the following: all direct quotations; paraphrases of the statements of others; opinions, ideas, and theories not your own; and, information which is not a matter of general knowledge. Even when using proper citation, it is a mistake to place too much reliance on one source. Furthermore, direct quotations from one or more authors should seldom occur in an essay and should not be longer than two or three sentences in length. All quotations of over four text lines should be indented and single spaced with quotation marks omitted. Quotations of any kind, however, must be acknowledged by a reference to the source, and include the page number(s). Quotations should be used as a way to emphasize a point or because the original author has an authority of expertise that can be best expressed by her/him).
**SCHEDULE**

**Week 1 – January 8, 2018:** Introductions

**Week 2 – January 15, 2018:** Starting points and building blocks I  
*Required:*


*Recommended:*


**Week 3 – January 22, 2018:** Starting points and building blocks II


**Week 4 – January 29, 2018:** Introducing Assemblages


* No presentation this week. We will read and discuss this text as a group.

**Week 5 - February 5, 2018:** Governing Society


**Week 6 – February 12, 2018:** City-Space-Governance


Week 7 – February 19, 2018: No Class, Winter Break

Week 8 – February 26, 2018: Surveillance


Week 9 – March 5, 2018: The Algorithm, Governance, and Resistance


**Week 10 – March 12, 2018:** Jurisprudence and Law


**Week 11 – March 19, 2018:** Governance and Sex


**Week 12 – March 26, 2018:** Regulation and ‘race’


**Week 13 – April 2, 2018:** Class Paper Presentations

**Week 14 – April 9, 2018:**