

Course Outline

COURSE:	LAWS 1002C/E Introduction to Legal Studies II
TERM:	WINTER 2023
CLASS:	<u>Laws 1002C</u> will be delivered asynchronously through pre-recorded lectures accessible via Brightspace ('BS') and live online discussion groups led by Teaching Assistants <u>Laws 1002E</u> will be delivered 'in person' in Theatre B, Southam Hall, Mondays, 2:35 p.m. – 4:25 p.m. and will include live discussion groups led by Teaching Assistants
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CALENDAR COURSE DESCRIPTION

Introduction to legal rules and theoretical approaches for critically understanding the creation, interpretation and enforcement of those rules; the role of judges, juries, lawyers, and lay persons; adjudication and alternative dispute resolution; relationship of law with social change and justice; challenges of access to justice.

REQUIRED TEXTS

1. Stephen Tasson, Rebecca Bromwich, Jane Dickson, Vincent Kazmierski, Bettina Appel Kuzmarov, Sébastien Malette, Umut Öszu (eds.), Introduction to Legal Studies (vol.2): Processes and Power Canadian Legal Studies Series (Concord: Captus Press, 2018); ISBN 978-1-55322-382-5.
2. Rick Ruddell, George Pavlich, Exploring Criminal Justice in Canada - Law and Society Redefined, (second edition) Carleton University Custom Edition (Oxford University Press, 2016); ISBN: 9780190169145.

3. The Tasson et al text is available from the Carleton University Bookstore; you may be also able to purchase a secondhand copy of this text at Haven Books (43 Seneca Street, Ottawa (tel. 613-730-9888) or at the Carleton Bookstore; please check their websites to determine availability. The Ruddell and Pavlich text is available only as an e-book. It is purchasable via links provided on the Brightspace Page for this course.

EVALUATION

There are four formal evaluation components in this course, as outlined below.

- **Short Essay (20%)**; students will be required to critically analyze an academic article. Full details of the assignment will be posted on Brightspace (hereinafter referred to as 'BS').
- **Case Brief (20%)**, students will be required to locate, read and brief a judgement. Full details of the assignment will be posted on BS.
- **Discussion Group attendance and participation (25%)**, students will be expected to attend and participate in weekly discussion groups.
 - **Discussion groups for students in 1002C** are run as chat sessions and accessed through BS.
 - **Discussion groups for students in 1002E** will be in-person and will be led by TAs at on-campus locations.
 - TAs will be assigned to groups in the first week of term and **discussion groups will start in the second week of classes. You will have enrolled in a group when you registered** for the course. Please review the BS page to determine your TA.
 - **Students who experience conflicts** and are unable to attend their assigned discussion groups should locate a group that fits with their schedule and contact the TA of the preferred group by email to request to join their group; the TA of the original group assignment should be copied on that email. The student may switch groups if both TAs approve the change.

Please note that **group changes must occur within your section** – that is, you cannot switch from a group in 1002C to a group in 1002E. If you wish to change to a different group in a different section, you will need to drop the course and add the course offering your preferred discussion group. If both sections are full, this may not be possible.

- **Final Exam (35%)**, students will be required to complete a formally scheduled, multiple choice final examination.
 - **Students in Laws 1002C will be writing their final exam online through BS.** Please note that this exam will be subject to e-Proctoring which will use a remote proctoring service provided by Scheduling and Examination Services. You can find more information at <https://carleton.ca/ses/e-proctoring/>.

- The minimum computing requirements for this service are as follows:
 - Hardware: Desktop, or Laptop
 - OS: Windows 10, Mac OS 10.14, Linux Ubuntu 18.04
 - Internet Browser: Google Chrome, Mozilla Firefox, Apple Safari, or Microsoft Edge
 - Internet Connection (High-Speed Internet Connection Recommended)
 - Webcam (HD resolution recommended)
 - Note: Tablets, Chromebooks and Smartphones are not supported at this time. Windows-based tablets are not supported at this time.
- **Students in Laws 1002E will be writing their examination in person at the university.** The date, time and location of the exam will be posted by the university in the latter part of the winter term.

Failure to complete all assignments and exams in the course will result in the student receiving a failing grade for the course. Deferrals will not be granted unless all other course requirements have been met.

Please note the following:

- Students encountering unforeseen and unforeseeable difficulties meeting a course requirement should communicate any requests for accommodations to their Teaching Assistant via email and within 24 hours or as soon as possible upon becoming aware of the need for the accommodation.
- As a general rule, **accommodations will be granted only in extreme circumstances**, such as unforeseen illness, accidents leading to injuries, or the death of a family member or close associate; in all cases the extension must be supported by appropriate, official documentation such as a medical note (which must indicate the course name and number, the precise dates covered by the document, as well as the specific accommodation requested), police or medical records confirming the accident and/or the injury, and death certificates, respectively.
- Accommodation requests which are not supported with relevant documentation will not, as a rule, be granted.
- **Computer failure, conflicts with work schedule or varsity athletic activities, or similar problems do not constitute valid excuses for accommodations** of course requirements, deadlines or examination schedules.
- Students are reminded that **all course requirements must be met in order to pass the course**; thus, where an assignment is submitted so late that a grade of '0' is inevitable, the assignment must be submitted, or the student will be unable to pass the course.

Grade Appeals: Students who wish to challenge a grade must contact their TA via email to request a review/appeal of their grade within ONE WEEK of the posting of the disputed mark on BS. Requests for grade reviews must be in writing and must clearly outline the grounds upon which the student is seeking the review. Appeals submitted in any other fashion will not be accepted or considered.

- Consideration of requests for reviews/appeals that fall outside the one-week timeline are solely at the discretion of the TA.

- **Students who are not satisfied with the outcome of a grade review/appeal, or who are denied a review/appeal, may appeal that outcome or denial to the Instructor within THREE DAYS of receiving the TA's determination or denial of their review/appeal.** The instructor will not generally entertain reviews/appeals of grades outside this timeline, nor consider any grade review/appeal that has not first been discussed with the T.A.

Carleton University assumes all students will conform to the University's Academic Integrity Policy. Please be mindful of that policy, especially as regards plagiarism.

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.

SCHEDULE AND READING ASSIGNMENTS

1	Week of January 9	Course Introduction – no readings
2	Week of January 16	What is Crime? <i>Legal Studies Course Reader</i> , 1(c), 2(b); <i>Ruddell & Pavlich</i> ch.1
3	Week of January 23	The Criminal Law Process. <i>Legal Studies Course Reader</i> , 2(c), (e); <i>Ruddell & Pavlich</i> ch.4
4	Week of January 30	Regulating Economic Relationships. <i>Legal Studies Course Reader</i> , 3(a)-(c)
5	Week of February 6	Regulating Personal Relationships. <i>Legal Studies Course Reader</i> , 4(a)-(c)
6	Week of February 13	Negotiating and Bargaining, <i>Legal Studies Course Reader</i> , 5(a)-(b)
7	Week of February 20 – READING WEEK – CLASSES CANCELLED	
8	Week of February 27	Law Enforcement Personnel, <i>Legal Studies Course Reader</i> 14(a), (d); <i>Ruddell & Pavlich</i> , ch.3
9	Week of March 6	Lawyers, Advocates and Legal Practice. <i>Legal Studies Course Reader</i> , 11(a)-(c)
10	Week of March 13	Judges and Adjudication, <i>Legal Studies Course Reader</i> , 6(a); 13(b), (d), (e), (f)

11	Week of March 20	Juries, <i>Legal Studies Course Reader</i> , 12(a), (c), (d), (e)
12	Week of March 27	Alternatives to Adjudication/Alternatives within Adjudication, <i>Legal Studies Course Reader</i> , 7(a), (c), (e)
13	Week of April 3	Access to Justice: Procedural and Income Issues. <i>Legal Studies Course Reader</i> , 9(a)-(c); 10(a)

Winter 2023 Sessional Dates and University Closures

Please find a full list of important academic dates on the calendar website:

<https://calendar.carleton.ca/academicyear/>

January 9, 2023	Winter term begins.
January 20, 2023	Last day for registration and course changes (including auditing) in full winter and late winter courses.
February 20, 2023	Statutory holiday. University closed.
February 20-24, 2023	Winter break. No classes.
March 15, 2023	Last day for academic withdrawal from full winter, late winter, and fall/winter courses.
April 7, 2023	Statutory holiday. University closed.
April 12, 2023	Winter term ends. Last day of full winter, late winter, and fall/winter classes.
April 15-27, 2023	Final examinations in full winter, late winter, and fall/winter courses will be held. Examinations are normally held all seven days of the week.
April 27, 2023	All final take-home examinations are due on this day.

ACADEMIC ACCOMMODATIONS

The instructor recognizes that students may on occasion require accommodations to meet course requirements. In this course, requests for course accommodations must be made to the instructor by email within the first two weeks of the term, or as soon as possible after the need for accommodation is known to exist. Email requests must be clear about the accommodation sought and must contain relevant documentation supporting the request. Please note that the determination of requests for accommodation are at the discretion of the instructor, subject to formal university policies regarding accommodations. Barring exceptional circumstances (i.e., an unanticipated or unforeseeable accident or injury), requests for accommodations that are not submitted in a timely manner will not be considered. Please consult the Equity

Services website at <http://carleton.ca/equity/> to view the policies and to obtain more detailed information on academic accommodation.

If you are a student who is registered with the Paul Menton Centre and who has accommodations based on a documented disability, please note that all such accommodations are provided by PMC and do not involve the instructor. PMC will communicate the nature of your accommodations to the instructor directly and it is not necessary for you to discuss these with the instructor in the absence of extraordinary reasons for doing so. Should you be uncertain about whether such reasons exist, it is recommended that you discuss the matter with the PMC before contacting the instructor.

ACADEMIC INTEGRITY

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:
<http://carleton.ca/studentaffairs/academic-integrity/>

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/>