Carleton University

Department of Law and Legal Studies

Course Outline

Course: LAWS 2201 D – Persons and Property

TERM: Winter 2018

Prerequisites: Laws 1000

CLASS: Day & Time: Thursday – 8:35 a.m. to 11:25 a.m.

Room: (Please check with Carleton Central for current room location)

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

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Laws 2201 is a course that studies the origins of the laws of property and persons.

CLASS FORMAT

Classes will consist mainly of lectures, although questions and class discussion are welcomed and encouraged. Students are expected to attend class regularly, answer questions and participate in class discussions. Students must read the material assigned before the relevant class. Certain classes may include guest speakers and the schedule is subject to change based on the availability of guest speakers.

REQUIRED TEXTS

Neil Sargent and Logan Atkinson – "Just Between The Law and Us Persons and Property", 2nd ed. Captus Press Inc. 2016 – ISBN 978-1-55221-177-9. Available for purchase at the Bookstore.

There may be additional readings as assigned by the Instructor, including those on reserve and those posted on cuLearn.

EVALUATION (All components must be completed in order to receive a passing grade)

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.

10% - Class Participation

Based on answering questions and taking part in classroom discussions each week in class (log sheet record).

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40% - Midterm Assignment - Case Study/Essay

This will be posted on cuLearn on February 2nd, 2018 and is due on March 2nd, 2018 at 1 p.m. *Note:* a late Assignment will be marked down five (5) percent per day for each day submitted after the deadline (including weekend days). An extension may only be granted by the Contract Instructor based on extreme circumstances such as the severe illness of the student or the death of a spouse or a family member (see also Item 4. in the Class Schedule set out below for additional information).

50% - Final Examination

April 14 – 26, 2018

3 hours in length ("closed book")

All materials from the course will be covered on the exam. Complete details will be provided in class.

To be eligible for a passing grade, students must complete all components of the evaluation scheme.

Note: There will be <u>no</u> make-up assignments or "grade booster" assignments available to students.

Final examination deferrals are possible only as indicated in the Calendar and with the permission of the Instructor.

SCHEDULE

- 1. January 11 Introduction to the Course & Logistics
 - a. Chapter 1 Private Law and the Social World
- 2. January 18 The Law and the Individual
 - a. Chapter 2 Legal Individualism
- 3. January 25 The Concept of Legal Personality and Introduction to Corporate Law
 - a. Chapter 3 Legal Personality
- 4. February 1 The Law and Women
 - a. Chapter 4 Women and Personhood
 - b. Midterm Assignment discussed; to be posted on cuLearn on February 2nd due by 1 p.m. on March 2nd (drop off box at the Department of Law and Legal Studies, 4th Floor, Loeb Building)
- 5. February 8 The Law and the Disabled
 - a. Chapter 5 Partial Personhood: The Legal Construct of Disability
- 6. February 15 The Law and the Family
 - a. Chapter 6 The Legal Construction of Family: Parenting, Law, and the State

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7. February 19 – 23 – Winter Reading Week Break – No Class

8. March 1 - The Law and Canada's Aboriginal Peoples

a. Chapter 7 - Collective Identity and Personhood: Canada's Aboriginal Peoples

9. March 8 – The Law and the Environment

 a. Chapter 8 – The Outer Limits of Personhood: Natural Rights of the Environment and Sentient Animals

10. March 15 - Introduction to the Law of Property

a. Chapter 9 – The Legal Construction and Justification of Property

11. March 22- The Law of Real Property

a. Chapter 10 – Rights and Obligations Associated with Land

12. March 29 - The Law of Property in relation to the Family

a. Chapter 11 – Rights of Property and the Family

13. April 5 - Property Rights of Canada's Aboriginal Peoples and Course Conclusion and Review

- a. Chapter 12 Rights of Property and Canada's Aboriginal Peoples
- b. Course Conclusion and Review PowerPoint Presentation to be provided