

COURSE:	LAWS 2201C – Persons and Property
TERM:	Winter - 2018
PREREQUISITES:	LAWS 1000
CLASS:	Day & Time: Thursdays 6:05pm – 8:55pm 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/>

**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/>

**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 [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*). **Requests made within two weeks will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.** After requesting accommodation from PMC, meet with me to ensure accommodation arrangements are made. Please consult the PMC website ([www.carleton.ca/pmc](http://www.carleton.ca/pmc)) for the deadline to request accommodations for the formally-scheduled exam (*if applicable*).

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/>

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

**Student Services:** The Centre for Student Academic Support (CSAS) is a centralized collection of learning support services designed to help students achieve their goals and improve their learning both inside and outside the classroom. CSAS offers academic assistance with course content, academic writing and skills development. Visit CSAS on the 4<sup>th</sup> floor of MacOdrum Library or online at [carleton.ca/csas](http://carleton.ca/csas)

### **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**

This course is an introduction to Private Law Relationships in Canada, specifically relating to the concepts of legal entities, and the law of property as it relates to women, the disabled, the family, and the changing nature of property itself.

### **REQUIRED TEXT**

*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).

### **EVALUATION PROCEDURES AND DEADLINES:**

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 - Midterm essay - handed out February 8, due March 1, 2018**

**40% - Final exam - Scheduled 3 hour exam - during Final exam period (April 14-26, 2018)**

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

**Note:** There will be no make-up assignments or “grade-booster” assignments under any circumstances.

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 assignments have been handed in.

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### **LATE ASSIGNMENT:**

A late assignment will be marked down five percent for each day submitted after the due date (including weekend days). Extensions will be only given out in extreme circumstances, such as severe illness of the student or death of a family member. You must apply for an extension prior to the due date for the assignment. Appropriate documentation will be required to accompany requests for extensions.

Computer failure, conflicts with work schedule or similar problems are not a valid excuse for failure to submit an assignment on time. Students submitting late assignments must submit a hard copy of the assignment to the Department of Law and Legal Studies drop box and must e-mail the instructor notifying him that the assignment has been left in the drop box. (*Please refer to the Department Dropbox Policy for clarification*).

### **APPEALING GRADES ON ASSIGNMENTS:**

Students who have questions about the grade they receive on an assignment or who wish to challenge the grade must make an appointment with the T.A. who marked the assignment within two weeks of receiving the marked assignment. The instructor will not entertain appeals of grades that have not first been discussed with the T.A.

### **cuLearn**

cuLearn will be the primary method of electronic communication with students outside of class. It will be used to post announcements, to host email communications and electronic discussion boards.

Students should make sure that they sign-on to cuLearn in the first week of classes and should check the cuLearn page for this course on a weekly basis.

### **A FEW ADDITIONAL GUIDELINES AND SUGGESTIONS:**

Lectures in this course are designed to complement the texts, not just repeat the same material. As such, it is important to both attend lectures and complete the readings.

Students who only complete the readings, but do not attend lectures will find it very difficult to do well in this course. Material covered in lectures will be tested in the exams.

Lectures will be designed to accommodate questions and discussion in class. Feel free to ask

questions during the course of lectures. Please remember, however, that questions, comments and discussion in class must remain respectful of the other members of the class.

### **CLASS SCHEDULE AND READINGS**

<b>Lecture No</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Lecture Topic and Readings</b>
Chapter 1	Jan. 11	Private Law and the Social World
Chapter 2	Jan. 18	Legal Individualism
Chapter 3	Jan. 25	Legal Personality
Chapter 4	Feb. 1	Women and Personhood
Chapter 5	Feb. 8	Partial Personhood: Disability Assignment handed out
Chapter 6	Feb. 15	Legal Construction of Family
	Feb. 19-23	<b>Winter Break – No Class</b>
Chapter 8, 9	Mar. 1	Personhood-Environmental rights Construction of Property Assignment due
Chapter 10	Mar. 8	Rights Associated with Land
Chapter 11	Mar. 15	Rights of Property and Family
Chapters 7, 12	Mar. 22	Aboriginals – Personhood/Property
Chapter 13	Mar. 29	Changing Concepts of Property
	Apr. 5	<b>Review</b>
	Apr. 14-26	<b>FINAL EXAM PERIOD</b>