

School of Business

Program: INTT

Option:

BLAW 3311

Canadian Business Law

Start Date: 3 January, 2011**End Date:** 11 March, 2011**Total Hours:** 40 **Total Weeks:** 10**Term/Level:** 4 **Course Credits:** 2.5**Hours/Week:** 4 **Lecture:** 2 **Lab:** 2**Shop:** **Seminar:** **Other:****Prerequisites****Course Number is a Prerequisite for:**
Graduation**Course No. Course Name****Course No. Course Name****Course Description (required)**

A practical study of Canadian business law. Topics include: the Canadian legal system, dispute resolution, torts including product liability, contracts, sale of goods, agency, employment, business structures, personal and intellectual property, E-commerce and international trade.

Detailed Course Description (optional)**Evaluation**

Lab Participation	10%
Case Presentation	10%
Written Assignments	5%
Midterm Exam	35%
Final Exam	40%

Comments: The grade for lab participation is based on punctual attendance, preparedness for class and active participation in class discussions.

TOTAL	<u>100%</u>
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Course Learning Outcomes/Competencies

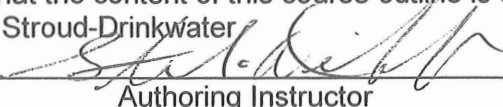
Successful completion of the course will assist the student to:

1. Recognize legal issues as they arise;
2. Apply basic rules of law to business situations;
3. Communicate effectively with lawyers and regulators;
4. Design business practices and transactions to help avoid legal problems;
5. Have a general understanding of the law as it applies in business situations.

Verification

I verify that the content of this course outline is current.

N. John Stroud-Drinkwater



Authoring Instructor

3 Jan., 2011

Date

I verify that this course outline has been reviewed.

S. Corning



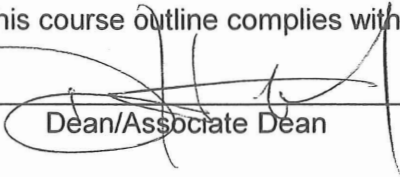
Program Head/Chief Instructor

3 Jan., 2011

Date

I verify that this course outline complies with BCIT policy.

D. Horspool



Dean/Associate Dean

3 Jan., 2011

Date

Note: Should changes be required to the content of this course outline, students will be given reasonable notice.

Instructor(s)

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Learning Resources

Required Textbook:

Yates, Legal Fundamentals for Canadian Business, 2nd ed.

Information for Students

Assignments: Late assignments, lab reports or projects will **not** be accepted for marking. Assignments must be done on an individual basis unless otherwise specified by the instructor.

Examination Grades: In order to pass the course, students require a passing grade on the weighted average of all the midterm and final exams. If a student does not achieve an average passing grade on the exams, the Lab mark for assignments and class participation will not be counted.

Makeup Tests, Exams or Quizzes: There will be no makeup tests, exams or quizzes. If you miss a test, exam or quiz, you will receive zero marks. Exceptions may be made for documented medical reasons or extenuating circumstances. In such a case, it is the responsibility of the student to inform the instructor immediately.

Ethics: BCIT assumes that all students attending the Institute will follow a high standard of ethics. Incidents of cheating or plagiarism may, therefore, result in a grade of zero for the assignment, quiz, test, exam, or project for all parties involved and/or expulsion from the course.

Attendance: The attendance policy as outlined in the current BCIT Calendar will be enforced. Attendance may be taken during every session. Students not present at the time attendance is taken will be recorded as absent. Attendance at all classes is mandatory. There will be a deduction of 5% from the final grade for each class missed. A student who is absent for two or more classes will not be permitted to write the final exam and will not receive credit for the course.

Illness: A doctor's note is required for any illness causing you to miss assignments, quizzes, tests, projects, or exam. At the discretion of the instructor, you may complete the work missed or have the work prorated.

Attempts: Students must successfully complete a course within a maximum of three attempts at the course. Students with two attempts in a single course will be allowed to repeat the course only upon special written permission from the Associate Dean. Students who have not successfully completed a course within three attempts will not be eligible to graduate from the appropriate program.

Course Outline Changes: The material or schedule specified in this course outline may be changed by the instructor. If changes are required, they will be announced in class.

I.D. Required in Examination Centres: In order to write exams, students are required to produce photo identification at examination centres. Photo I.D. must remain in view on the desk, while writing the exam, for inspection by invigilators. Students should bring a BCIT OneCard or, alternatively, two pieces of identification, one of which must be government photo I.D. such as a driver's licence. Please see BCIT Policy #5300, Formal Invigilation Procedures.

■ Assignment Details

Assignments (10% of the course grade). Cases assigned by the Instructor will be discussed as examples of the application of the law. Students will submit written case studies and will also present an oral analysis of assigned cases to the class in order to demonstrate and explain the law. Case studies and presentations will be done in groups as arranged at the start of the term. Written case studies will be handed in for credit and will not be individually graded, however a written assignment that is not handed in on time or is not satisfactory in the opinion of the instructor will result in a deduction of 5% from the final grade.

Participation (10% of the course grade). Your grade for participation will be determined by regular attendance, the extent to which you are prepared for class, your contribution to class discussions and the extent to which you enable others to participate. Your ability to demonstrate appropriate workplace behaviours – both in lecture and labs will also be considered when determining your grade for participation.

Students will study the topics covered in the textbooks as indicated below. There will be a 2 hr. lecture followed by a 2 hr. lab each week. Labs will be used for discussion of the material covered and for presentation by students of assigned case studies. Due to time constraints, a portion of some labs may be used for lectures.

Attendance at all lectures and labs is required. For the purpose of examinations, students are responsible for all material covered in the text, provided by the instructor, covered in lectures or labs.

I am available to assist students during the office hours posted at my office as well as by appointment. Please feel free to call me or e-mail at any time.

Midterm exams will be held during lecture periods and reviewed in the following week's lab. Every effort will be made to follow the attached schedule, however changes may be required at the discretion of the instructor due to school events, holidays, illness etc.

SCHEDULE

Week of	Lecture: Material Covered	Reading	Lab / Assignment
3 Jan.	Introduction to course The Canadian Legal System,	Ch. 1	Case assignments will be given by the Instructor.
10 Jan.	Torts and Professional Liability	Ch. 2	
17 Jan.	Formation of Contracts	Ch. 3	
24 Jan.	Enforcing Contractual Obligations	Ch. 4	
31 Jan.	Legislation in the Marketplace	Ch. 5	
7 Feb.	Midterm Exam (Ch. 1-4)		
	Lab: Agency & Employment	Ch. 6	
14 Feb.	Methods of Carrying on Business	Ch. 7	
21 Feb.	Personal Property Ideas and Information	Ch. 8 (pp. 201-205 only) Ch. 9	
28 Feb.	E-Commerce and International Trade	Ch. 10	
7 Mar.	Final Exam (Ch. 5-10)		