

# School of Arts & Science CRIMINAL JUSTICE DEPARTMENT

CRIM 150-04 Administration of Justice 2006F

# **COURSE OUTLINE**

### The Approved Course Description is available on the web @

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# 1. Instructor Information

# 2. Intended Learning Outcomes

(<u>No</u> changes are to be made to this section, unless the Approved Course Description has been forwarded through EDCO for approval.)

Upon completion of this course the student will be able to:

- 1. Describe the political and administrative systems which provide the environment within which the criminal justice system in Canada operates and the policy and law-making processes.
- 2. Articulate awareness of the interaction between politics and the criminal justice system in Canada.
- 3. Identify the key players in the criminal justice system.
- 4. Identify and assess important issues in Canadian government and politics that have an impact on the operation of the criminal justice system.

# 3. Required Materials

(a)	Texts	Rand Dyck. <u>Canadian Politics</u> . Concise Third Edition. Toronto: Nelson Canada, 2006. Randall Garrison, ed. <u>Readings for Criminal Justice 150</u> . Toronto: Nelson Canada, 2006.
(b)	Other	

# 4. Course Content and Schedule

(Can include: class hours, lab hours, out of class requirements and/or dates for quizzes, exams, lectures, labs, seminars, practicums, etc.)

This course is set up as a survey course taught in two one-and-one- half hour blocks per week. The main topics to be covered in this course will be those necessary to understand both the concept of justice and how the justice system is administered in Canada. Topics to be covered will be divided into three sections: the Machinery of Parliamentary Government; Justice and Politics; and Policy-making and Accountability in the Justice System.

This schedule will provide a guide to lecture topics, reading assignments, and important dates:

September 6th	INTRODUCTION: JUSTICE AND DEMOCRACY
September 11/13th	DEMOCRACY and CONSTITUTIONAL MONARCHY Dyck, Chapter 1. (Handout #1)
September 18th	THE CONSTITUTION Dyck, Chapter 11.
September 20/25th	HOUSE OF COMMONS Dyck, Chapter 15. Reading #1 "Parliament and Political Success in Canada."
Sept 27/Oct 2nd	PRIME MINISTER AND CABINET GOVERNMENT/ <b>Review</b> Dyck, Chapter 13. (Handout #2.) Reading #2 "Is the Prime Minister Too Powerful?"
October 4th	FIRST EXAMINATION
October 9 <sup>th</sup>	Thanksgiving (no class)
October 11/16/18th	JUSTICE AND IDEOLOGY Dyck, Chapter 6. Readings #3, #4 & #5.
October 23/ 25th	POLITICAL PARTIES Dyck, Chapter 9. Reading #6 "Should Party Discipline Be Relaxed?"
Oct 30/ Nov 1st ELECTI	ONS/ <b>Review</b> Dyck, Chapters 7 & 8. Handout #4 Reading #2 "Is a Mixed Member Proportional System?"
NOVEMBER 6th	SECOND EXAMINATION
November 8th	FEDERALISM Dyck, Chapter 3. (Handout #3)
November 13 <sup>th</sup>	Remembrance Day Closure (no class)
November 15th/20th	CRIMINAL JUSTICE: POLICY AND ACCOUNTABILITY Dyck, Chapter 14. Reading #8 "Politics versus Administration"

### November 22nd MEDIA ASSIGNMENT DUE

November 22nd	INTEREST GROUPS Dyck, Chapter 10.
November 27/29th	THE LEGISLATIVE PROCESS (no new reading)
December 4th	THE COURT SYSTEM Dyck, Chapter 16. Reading # 9 "Should Parliament Review Supreme Court Appointments?"
December 6th	Review

### DECEMBER 11-19th FINAL EXAM WEEK

#### 5. Basis of Student Assessment (Weighting)

(Should be linked directly to learning outcomes.)

Marks will be determined on the basis of the following work:

#### 1. First Examination- 20%

A preliminary exam will be held in class on **October 4th**. It will consist of Fill-In-the-Blanks, Short Answers, and Essay Questions A review and exam preparation session will be held in class on October 2nd. This examination will serve as a preview of the other examinations in this course and of the level of performance expected in the course. The format of the three examinations will be similar and this preliminary examination should be used as a guide in evaluating the effort and skills required for successful completion of this course in the areas of reading, listening, notetaking, and exam-writing.

#### 2. Second Examination- 30%

A second examination will be given in class on **November 6th**. It will consist of three sections: Fill-In-the-Blanks, Short Answers, and Essay Questions. The exam will be based on material covered to date and will include material from lectures and required readings. A review and exam preparation session will be held in class on November 1st.

#### 3. Media Assignment- 15%

This assignment consists of collecting and annotating five articles from daily or weekly newspapers which show the relationship of criminal justice to parliamentary government. A separate handout will be provided for this assignment. The media assignment is due **November 22nd**. Late assignments will be penalized. No assignments will be accepted after December 6th.

#### 4. Final Examination- 35%

A final examination will be given during Final Examination Week, **December 11th- 19th**. The format will be the similar to the second examination, though the exam will be longer. The exam will cover material presented in the course as a whole, though there will be extra emphasis on material presented since the mid-term. A review and exam preparation session will be held in class on December 6th.

Students will be evaluated according to the normal procedures and standards set by Camosun College. If exams or assignment deadlines are missed, medical or legal documentation will be required in order to write make-up exams or have assignment deadlines extended.

# 6. Grading System

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Percentage	Grade	Description	Grade Point Equivalency
95-100	A+		9
90-94	А		8
85-89	A-		7
80-84	B+		6
75-79	В		5
70-74	B-		4
65-69	C+		3
60-64	С		2
50-59	D		1
0-49	F	Minimum level has not been achieved.	0

# Standard Grading System (GPA)

### **Temporary Grades**

Temporary grades are assigned for specific circumstances and will convert to a final grade according to the grading scheme being used in the course. See Grading Policy at **camosun.ca** or information on conversion to final grades, and for additional information on student record and transcript notations.

Temporary Grade	Description
I	<i>Incomplete</i> : A temporary grade assigned when the requirements of a course have not yet been completed due to hardship or extenuating circumstances, such as illness or death in the family.
IP	<i>In progress</i> : A temporary grade assigned for courses that are designed to have an anticipated enrollment that extends beyond one term. No more than two IP grades will be assigned for the same course.
cw	<i>Compulsory Withdrawal:</i> A temporary grade assigned by a Dean when an instructor, after documenting the prescriptive strategies applied and consulting with peers, deems that a student is unsafe to self or others and must be removed from the lab, practicum, worksite, or field placement.

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# 7. Recommended Materials or Services to Assist Students to Succeed Throughout the Course

# LEARNING SUPPORT AND SERVICES FOR STUDENTS

There are a variety of services available for students to assist them throughout their learning. This information is available in the College calendar, at Student Services or the College web site at <u>camosun.ca</u>.

# STUDENT CONDUCT POLICY

There is a Student Conduct Policy **which includes plagiarism**. It is the student's responsibility to become familiar with the content of this policy. The policy is available in each School Administration Office, at Student Services and on the College web site in the Policy Section.