



**School of Arts & Science
CRIMINAL JUSTICE DEPARTMENT**

**CRIM 170- 01 and 02
Law and Legal Institutions
Winter 2008**

COURSE OUTLINE

The Approved Course Description is available on the web @Ω

<http://camosun.ca/learn/programs/cj/cj-faculty.html>

Please note: this outline will be electronically stored for five (5) years only. It is strongly recommended students keep this outline for your records.

1. Instructor Information

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2. Intended Learning Outcomes

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

1. Summarize and demonstrate comprehension of fundamentals of Canadian law, the Canadian legal system and legal institutions.
2. Articulate the fundamental concepts of Canadian law, of the framework within which legislative and judicial authority are exercised, of the roles of lawyers and judges in the Canadian legal system, and of the concept of human rights.
3. Distinguish clearly between criminal and civil law.
4. Critically evaluate the strengths and weaknesses of the Canadian system of law and legal institutions.

3. Required Materials

(a) Texts: Canadian Law and the Canadian Legal System, Jessie J. Horner

(b) Other: TBA

4. Course Content and Schedule

A detailed course content will be provided early in the term.

5. Basis of Student Assessment (Weighting)

There will be three exams and a Media Assignment.

The first exam will be in class on Wednesday, February 13th. This exam will be worth 25% of your course grade. It will be a True/False, Multiple Choice exam.

The second exam will be on Wednesday, March 12th. This exam will also be worth 25% and will be the same format.

The Media Assignment consists of collecting and annotating six articles from daily or weekly newspapers that show the relationship between criminal justice and the court system or parliamentary system. As well as the six articles you must hand in you need to include a three page commentary on the articles and how they are linked. You must do this assignment with a partner. The Media Assignment is due in class on March 19th. Late Media Assignments will not be accepted.

The final exam will be the last class which is Friday, April 11th. It is worth 25% of your course grade and will also be True/False and Multiple Choice.

6. Grading System

Standard Grading System (GPA)

Percentage	Grade	Description	Grade Point Equivalency
90-100	A+		9
85-89	A		8
80-84	A-		7
77-79	B+		6
73-76	B		5
70-72	B-		4
65-69	C+		3
60-64	C		2
50-59	D	Minimum level of achievement for which credit is granted; a course with a "D" grade cannot be used as a prerequisite.	1
0-49	F	Minimum level has not been achieved.	0

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 E-1.5 at camosun.ca for 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, due to design may require a further enrollment in the same course. No more than two IP grades will be assigned for the same course. <i>(For these courses a final grade will be assigned to either the 3rd course attempt or at the point of course completion.)</i>
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.

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 camosun.ca.

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.