

<p style="text-align: center;">CRIMINAL JUSTICE 150 ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE</p>

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OFFICE HOURS: Thursday 7:30- 8:30 PM or by appointment

COURSE SCHEDULE: Thursday 4:30 – 7:20 PM in Young 201

REQUIRED TEXTS:

Rand Dyck. Canadian Politics. Concise Fourth Edition. Toronto: Nelson Canada, 2009.

CALENDAR DESCRIPTION:

This course is an introduction to the historical development and current operation of governing and law-making institutions in Canada, and the political, constitutional, and legal concepts of the Canadian justice system. (T) Prerequisites: C+ in English 12 or assessment.

INTENDED LEARNING OUTCOMES:

At the conclusion of this course, each student will be able to 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; articulate awareness of the interaction between politics and the criminal justice system in Canada; identify the key players in the criminal justice system; and identify and assess important issues in Canadian government and politics that have an impact on the operation of the criminal justice system.

EVALUATION:

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. **Letter grades** will be assigned according to the standard Camosun distribution of marks:

A+	90-100	B+	77-79	C+	65-69	D	50-59
A	85-89	B	73-76	C	60-64	F	< 50
A-	80-84	B-	70-72				

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

1. First Quiz- 20%

The first exam will be held in class on **Thursday February 5th**. It will consist of Fill-In-the-Blanks, True / False, Multiple Choice, and Short Answers questions. A review and exam preparation session will be held on January 29. The exam will cover material from lectures and required readings. This first examination will serve as a preview of the other examinations in this course and of the level of performance expected in the course.

2. Media Assignment- 20%

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 **February 12th** at the beginning of class. Late assignments will be penalized. No assignments will be accepted after March 12th.

3. Second Quiz- 25%

A second examination will be given in class on **March 5th**. The format will be very similar to the first exam. The exam will be based on material covered since the first exam and will include material from lectures and required readings. A review and exam preparation session will be held in class on February 26th.

4. Third Quiz- 30%

A final examination will be given at the last class of the semester **Thursday April 9th**. The format will be the similar to the previous examinations. The exam will cover material presented in the course as a whole, though there will be extra emphasis on material presented since the second exam. A review and exam preparation session will be held in class on April 2nd.

5. Participation - 5%

All students will be asked to make a meaningful contribution to class discussions. Quality of participation is far more prized than quantity of comments.

ORGANISATION OF THE COURSE:

This course is set up as a survey course taught in one three-hour class 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 Democracy; Key Institutions of the Justice System; and Policy-making and Legislative processes in the Justice System.

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

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| Week 1: January 8 | INTRODUCTION: THE FOUNDATIONS OF JUSTICE:
AUTHORITY, POWER, & GOVERNMENT
(No pre-reading for the first class) |
| Week 2: January 15 | PRIME MINISTER and CABINET GOVERNMENT
Dyck, Chapter 13 |
| Week 3: January 22 | THE HOUSE OF COMMONS
Dyck, Chapter 15.
REVIEW FOR QUIZ 1 |
| Week 4: January 29 | ELECTIONS
Dyck, Chapter 8.
QUIZ 1 |
| Week 5: February 5 | ELECTIONS (continued)
Dyck, Chapter 8. |
| Week 6: February 12 | POLITICAL PARTIES
Dyck, Chapter 9.
MEDIA PRESENTATION DUE |
| Week 7: February 19 | PARTICIPATION, MEDIA AND PUBLIC OPINION
Dyck, Chapter 7.
REVIEW FOR QUIZ 2 |
| Week 8: February 26 | FEDERALISM and CRIMINAL JUSTICE
Dyck, Chapter 12.
QUIZ 2 |
| Week 9: March 5 | FEDERALISM and CRIMINAL JUSTICE (Continued)
Dyck, Chapter 12. |

- Week 10: March 12 THE CONSTITUTION AND CHARTER OF RIGHTS
Dyck, Chapter 11.
- Week 11: March 19 THE COURT SYSTEM JUSTICE & ADMINISTRATION OF
JUSTICE
Dyck, Chapter 16.
- Week 12: March 26 THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE POLICY PROCESS
Dyck, Chapter 13, pp. 310-313 again & Chapter 14.
- Week 13: April 2 Government, Politics, Justice - Course review.
REVIEW FOR QUIZ 3
- Week 14: April 9 **QUIZ 3**