

GRANDE PRAIRIE REGIONAL COLLEGE  
ARTS, EDUCATION AND COMMERCE

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LR COURSE OUTLINE  
3010 (LEGAL RELATIONS)  
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**TEXT:** Smyth, Soberman & Easson, The Law and Business Administration in Canada, 9<sup>th</sup> Edition. Scarborough: Prentice-Hall (2000)

**COURSE DESCRIPTION**

This course is meant to provide a broad overview of some of the legal principles relevant to the business world.

Some of the main areas touched upon include: contract law, forms of business organization, land law, law, torts and insurance.

**COURSE FORMAT**

The learning process in this course is based on lectures and interactive discussion of the textbook materials. Guest lectures with expertise in particular areas may also be used.

**COURSE OBJECTIVES**

1. To introduce the student to basic legal concepts.
2. To familiarize the student with specific areas in which law impacts business.

## **GRADING**

Grande Prairie Regional College uses the nine-point grading system as described in the college calendar.

Every effort will be made to ensure that the final grade you receive reflects your effort and achievement as accurately as possible.

Class Attendance and Participation*	20%
Mid-term Exam	40%
Final Exam	40%

\* You will be expected to complete reading and writing assignments outside of class time, (e.g. chapter-end questions for discussion).

## **EXAMS**

You will be tested on your understanding of and ability to apply the concepts presented in class and in the readings. Textbook material and anything discussed in class, presented by guest speakers, videos or distributed in handouts may all be used for exams. The final exam will NOT cover material from the start of the course. More detail on the exams will be provided as the term progresses.

## **PARTICIPATION**

The participation grade is based on attendance and the quality of in class participation. You should expect to be called upon to answer questions during class. You may be asked for informal exercises or assignments to be handed in on a random basis. As well, you are responsible for obtaining any notes or handouts you may have missed due to an absence.

**COURSE SCHEDULE**  
(\*May be revised as required)

Topics	Reading
Course Introduction	
Law, and Society	Ch. 1
The Machinery of Justice	Ch. 2
The law of Torts	Ch. 3
Offer and Acceptance	Ch. 5
Consideration and Intention	Ch. 6
Capacity to Contract/Legality	Ch. 7
Mistake	Ch. 8
Misrepresentation, Undue Influence, Duress	Ch. 9
Requirement of Writing	Ch. 10
The Interpretation of Contracts	Ch. 11
Privity of Contract/Assignment	Ch. 12
Midterm Exam	
Discharge of Contracts	Ch. 13
The Effect of Breach	Ch. 14
Remedies for Breach	Ch. 15
Insurance and Guarantee	Ch. 18
Interests in Land and their Transfer	Ch. 23

Landlord and Tenant	Ch. 24
Mortgages of Land	Ch. 25
Sole Proprietors and Partnerships	Ch. 26
The Nature of a Corporation	Ch. 27
The Internal Affairs of Corporations	Ch. 28
Final Exam	