

GRANDE PRAIRIE REGIONAL COLLEGE
ARTS, COMMERCE AND EDUCATION

LR COURSE OUTLINE
3010 Section A3 (LEGAL RELATIONS)
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ROOM D308

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CLASS TIME: 11:30 a.m. - 12:50 p.m. Tuesday/Thursday

TEXT: Duplessis, Enman, Gunz and O'Byrne, Canadian Business and the Law, 1st Edition, 2001, Nelson Thomson Learning

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course is delivered from the perspective that the law plays an integral part in business decision making. It provides a broad overview of legal principles relevant to the business world.

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

COURSE FORMAT

The learning process in this course is based on lectures and interactive discussion of the textbook materials.

The approach is to encourage students to anticipate, identify and manage legal considerations in the context of business transactions.

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.

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| January 28, 2003 | 1 st Quiz | 15% |
| February 18, 2003 | Mid-term Exam | 30% |
| March 18, 2003 | 2 nd Quiz | 15% |
| TBA | Final Exam | 40% |

*In addition, 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 materials, class discussions, videos or any materials distributed in handouts may all be used for the quizzes or exams. The final exam WILL cover material from the start of the course. More detail on the exams will be provided as the term progresses.

PARTICIPATION

You should expect to be called upon to answer questions during class. You may also 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

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Topic</u> | <u>Text Chapter</u> | <u>Lecturer</u> |
|--------------|---|---------------------|------------------------------------|
| Jan. 7 & 9 | Introduction to the Study of Law And the Canadian Legal System | 1, 2, 3, 4 | D. Norman M. Hussey O. Lewis |
| Jan. 14 & 16 | Contract Law Defined and Forming Contracts | 5, 6 | D. Norman |
| Jan. 21 & 23 | Terms of a Contract | 7 | O. Lewis |
| Jan. 28 | QUIZ (15%); Begin Chapter 8 | | |
| Jan. 30 | Non-Enforcement of Contracts | 8 | D. Norman |
| Feb. 4 & 6 | Contract Termination, Enforcement Breach and Remedies | 9 | M. Hussey |
| Feb. 11 & 13 | Tort Law – Business Torts and Negligence REVIEW FOR MIDTERM | 10, 11, 12 | M. Hussey |
| Feb. 18 | MIDTERM EXAM (30%) | | |
| Feb. 20 | Tort Law Continued | 10, 11, 12 | M. Hussey |
| Mar. 4 & 6 | Insurance Law | 20 | O. Lewis |
| Mar. 11 & 13 | Agency | 13 | O. Lewis |
| Mar. 18 | QUIZ (15%) | | |
| Mar. 20 | Business Forms | 14 | D. Norman |
| Mar. 25 & 27 | Corporate Organization and Operation | 15-16 | D. Norman |
| Apr. 1 & 3 | Real Property – Real Estate and Mortgages | 19 | O. Lewis |
| Apr. 8 & 10 | Employment and Dismissal REVIEW FOR FINAL EXAM | 21-22 | M. Hussey |

FINAL EXAM DATE, TIME AND LOCATION TO BE ANNOUNCED.