

The University of Western Ontario

Management and Organizational Studies 2275B – Section 002

CANADIAN BUSINESS LAW

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CLASSES: 1:30 – 3:30 p.m. on Tuesdays in SSC 2110.

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

1. To develop an understanding of Canadian business law and general legal principles as they apply to business.
2. To be able to identify and analyze legal problems and issues as they relate to business.
3. To understand various legal relationships found in the business environment.
4. To understand various different types of business contracts.
5. To familiarize students with legal issues including torts, negligence, contracts, forms of business organization, property, debtor and creditor, labour and employment, intellectual property, e-business and dispute resolution.

TEXT: Business Law in Canada, 8th Edition
Richard A. Yates, Prentice-Hall of Canada Ltd.

READINGS: Students should read and are responsible for all assigned readings. Additional material may be given to students, including contracts and other legal documents, but students are not responsible for that supplementary material.

EVALUATION: Students will be evaluated on the basis of (a) four online quizzes (20%); (b) a mid-term exam (40%); and (c) a final exam (40%).

EXAMS and QUIZZES: Exams are multiple-choice and closed-book. No dictionaries or electronic devices are allowed. Quizzes will be based on current assigned reading material.

ACADEMIC OFFENCES: Scholastic offences are taken seriously and students are directed to read the appropriate policy, specifically, the definition of what constitutes a Scholastic Offence, at the following website: <http://www.uwo.ca/univsec/handbook/appeals/scholoff.pdf>.

Computer-marked multiple-choice tests and/or exams may be subject to submission for similarity review by software that will check for unusual coincidences in answer patterns that may indicate cheating.

ILLNESS AND SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES: All requests for exam or academic accommodations due to illness or special circumstances must be made to the Academic Counselling office and not to the instructor.

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Readings</u>
January 5	General Introduction	Chapter 1
January 12	The Legal System and the Resolution of Disputes	Chapters 2 and 3
January 19	Tort Law and Professional Liability	Chapters 4 and 5
January 26	Contracts I – The Formation of Contracts	Chapters 6 and 7
February 2	Contracts II –Mistake, Misrepresentation, Duress	Chapter 8
February 9	Contracts III – Breach of Contract and Termination of the Contract	Chapter 9
February 16	NO CLASS – READING WEEK	
February 23	Agency, Sole Proprietorships, Partnerships and Corporations	Chapter 13 and 14
March 2	MID-TERM EXAM	Chapters 2 – 9 inclusive
March 9	Corporations	Chapter 14
March 16	Sale of Goods and Consumer Protection	Chapter 10
March 23	Debtor and Creditor Law	Chapter 11
March 30	Employment Law	Chapter 12
April 6	Property	Chapters 15 and 16
Exam Period	FINAL EXAM	Chapters 10 – 16 inclusive