

The University of Western Ontario

Management and Organizational Studies 2275B – Section 002

CANADIAN BUSINESS LAW

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CLASSES: 1:30 – 4:30 p.m. Tuesdays in UCC 66.

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, 9th 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%). The quiz schedule is posted on WebCT.

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 4	General Introduction	Chapter 1
January 11	The Legal System and the Resolution of Disputes	Chapters 2 and 3
January 18	Tort Law and Insurance	Chapters 4 and 5
January 25	Contracts I – The Formation of Contracts	Chapters 6 and 7
February 1	Contracts II –Mistake, Misrepresentation, Duress	Chapter 8
February 8	Contracts III – Breach of Contract and Termination of Contract	Chapter 9
February 15	MID-TERM EXAM (EC 2155)	Chapters 2 – 9 inclusive
February 22	NO CLASS – READING WEEK	
March 1	Employment Law	Chapter 10
March 8	Agency, Sole Proprietorships and Partnerships	Chapter 11
March 15	NO CLASS	
March 22	Corporations	Chapter 12
March 29	Sale of Goods, Consumer Protection and Debtor and Creditor Law	Chapters 15 and 16
April 5	Real, Personal and Intellectual Property, Internet Law	Chapters 13 and 14
Exam Period	FINAL EXAM	Chapters 10 – 16 inclusive