

The University of Western Ontario

Management and Organizational Studies 2275B – Section 004

CANADIAN BUSINESS LAW

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CLASSES: Monday: 7:00 PM to 10:00 PM

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 unless specifically stated otherwise by the instructor.

EVALUATION:

Students will be evaluated on the basis of a mid-term exam (50%) and final exam (50%).

EXAMS:

Exams will be multiple-choice and closed-book. The midterm exam will be on [to be announced], and the final exam will be during the April exam period. No electronic devices will be allowed.

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.

LINKS:

The University of Western Ontario Registrar's Office
The Student Development Centre

<http://www4.registrar.uwo.ca>
www.sdc.uwo.ca

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ASSIGNED READINGS AND CLASS TOPICS

<i>DATE:</i>	<i>TOPIC:</i>	<i>ASSIGNED READING</i>
Jan 7	General Introduction	
Jan 14	The Legal System and the Resolution of Disputes	Ch 2,3
Jan 21	Tort Law and Professional Liability	Ch 4,5
Jan 28	Contracts I: Formation of Contracts	Ch 6,7
Feb 4	Contracts II: Mistake, Misrepresentation, Duress, Breach of Contract, Termination of Contract	Ch 8, 9
Feb 11	Midterm Test	Ch's 2 through 9
Feb 19-24	Family Day and Reading Week	
Feb 25	Methods of Carrying on Business I: Agency and Partnerships	Ch 12,13
Mar 3	Methods of Carrying on Business II: Corporations	Ch 14
Mar 10	Sale of Goods, Consumer Protection, Debtor-Creditor Law	Ch 10, 11
Mar 17	Employment law	Ch 12
Mar 24	Real and Personal Property	Ch 15
April 1	Intellectual Property, E-Business	Ch 16
April 7	Catch up and review	Chapters 10 through 16