

SAULT COLLEGE OF APPLIED ARTS & TECHNOLOGY
SAULT STE. MARIE, ONTARIO

COURSE OUTLINE

Course Title: CANADIAN COURTS
Code No.: LAS 205 - 01
Program: LAW AND SECURITY WORKER
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COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This course is designed to provide those students enrolled in the Law and Security Administration Program with the fundamental concepts associated with the procedural aspect of Criminal Law. The focus will be on a wide range of topics including:

- a) arrest/detention,
- b) pretrial release,
- c) mode of trial,
- d) sentencing,
- e) appeal procedure.

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

1. To understand the concept of arrest as a legal removal of a person's constitutional rights.
2. To understand the different levels of trial and appellate courts in the Canadian legal system and their functions/methods.
3. To understand the procedural restrictions placed on various people operating within the confines of the Canadian legal system (policy, lawyers, judges, and accused.)
4. To demonstrate the process by which judicial sanctions are brought to bear on a convicted offender in an attempt to control his/her behaviour.

SYLLABUS:

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| JANUARY 11 | - | Development of Criminal Law in Canada |
| January 18 | - | Definition of Crime |
| January 25 | - | Purpose of Criminal Law |
| February 1 | - | Courts of Criminal Jurisdiction in Ontario |
| February 8 | - | Classification of Criminal Offences |
| February 15 | - | Jurisdiction of Courts to try Criminal Offences/Mid-Term Test |
| February 22 | - | Arrest/Search and Seizure |
| | | _____BREAK WEEK |
| March 8 | - | Detention or Release after Arrest |
| March 15 | - | Trials: Summary Conviction Offences Indictable Offences |
| March 22 | - | Adversary Process: -function of trial Judge -function of Crown Attorney/Federal Prosecutor -function of defence Counsel -function of Police officer as witness |

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SYLLABUS (cont'd):

March 29 Defences at Trial
April 5 Sentencing
April 12 Charter of Rights in Criminal Law
April 19 Appeals of Conviction and/or Sentence
April 26 Final Exam

EVALUATION:

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| 1. | Mid-Term Test | February 15, 1989 | 20% |
| 2. | Final Test | April 25, 1989 | 40% |
| 3. | Four Opinion Papers | 10 Marks Each | 40% |
| | - Arrest Search/Seizure | March 8, 1989 | |
| | - Detention or Release | March 15, 1989 | |
| | - Trials | April 5, 1989 | |
| | - Sentencing | April 12, 1989 | |

GRADING:

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| A+ | 90 - 100% |
| A | 80 - 89% |
| B | 70 - 79% |
| C | 60 - 69% |
| R | Below 60% |

RESOURCES:

The Pocket Criminal Code.