

SAULT COLLEGE OF APPLIED ARTS & TECHNOLOGY

SAULT STE. MARIE, ONTARIO

COURSE OUTLINE

Course Title: CANADIAN COURTS

Code No.:

~~LAS 205~~

LAS 109

Program:

LAW & SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

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Canadian Courts (LAS 205)
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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

1. Criminal Justice System
2. Charter of Rights and Freedoms
3. Canadian Constitution
4. Courts of Criminal Jurisdiction in Ontario
5. Jurisdiction of Courts to try Criminal Offences/Mid-Term Test

BREAK WEEK

6. Detention or Release after Arrest
7. Trials: Summary Conviction Offences
Indictable Offences
8. Adversary Process: - function of trial Judge
- function of Crown Attorney/Federal Prosecutor
- function of Defence Counsel
- function of police officer as witness
9. Defences at Trial
10. Sentencing
11. Appeals of Conviction and/or Sentence
12. Final Exam

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EVALUATION

Term Tests	25 X 2
Final Test	25 X 1
Paper (Chose One)	25 X 1
- Detention or Release	
- Trials	
- Sentencing	
Possible Class Quiz	5

GRADING

A+ = 90-100%
A = 80- 89%
B = 70- 79%
C = 60- 69%
R = Below 60% (repeat course)

SPECIAL NEEDS NOTE

Students with special needs (eg. physical limitations, visual impairments, hearing impairments, learning disabilities) are encouraged to discuss required accommodations confidentially with the instructor.

Your instructor reserves the right to modify the course as he/she deems necessary to meet the needs of students.