



**Course Description:**

This course is a continuation of PFP 302, Criminal Code. In this course students will analyze specific elements of selected criminal code offenses. These include, offences related to weapons and firearms, to the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act, and to hate and bias crime. Students will research case law and assess its impact on the police process. They will use case law to argue or defend decisions and to assist in proving elements of offences. Provisions of other Federal Statutes and their relationship with the Criminal Code will also be examined.

<b>RELATIONSHIP TO PROGRAM LEARNING OUTCOMES</b>	
<b>Police Foundations Vocational Outcomes</b>	<b>Generic Skills</b>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Act in a manner consistent with all relevant law and legislation, and professional, organizational, and ethical standards.</li> <li>2. Communicate accurately, persuasively, and credibly to develop effective working relationships with individuals, groups, and multi-disciplinary teams in order to achieve goals.</li> <li>3. Apply knowledge of fundamental concepts of psychology, sociology, and criminology when interacting with peers, supervisors. Other professionals, victims, suspects/offenders, and the public.</li> <li>8. Make sound decisions based on an evaluation of situations.</li> <li>10. Apply fundamental concepts of political science, law and legislative policy making, and public administration to the provision of police services.</li> <li>11. Assess information gathering skills use in basic investigative techniques.</li> <li>13. Develop strategies to assist crime victims to meet their needs.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. Reframe information, ideas, and concepts using the narrative, visual, numerical, and symbolic representations which demonstrate understanding.</li> <li>3. Use a variety of computer hardware and software and other technological tools appropriate and necessary to the performance of tasks.</li> <li>6. Evaluate her or his own thinking throughout the steps and processes used in problem solving and decision making.</li> <li>7. Collect, analyze, and organize relevant and necessary information from a variety of sources.</li> <li>8. Evaluate the validity of arguments based on qualitative and quantitative information in order to accept or challenge the findings of others.</li> </ol>

## I. COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES

Students who receive credit for this course will have demonstrated their ability to:

- 1 Locate, interpret and apply Statute and Case Law related to selected provisions and offences related to weapons and Firearms:
  - 1.1 Define selected terms
  - 1.2 From a given List and/or picture, identify and classify firearms and weapons by the correct name and category;
  - 1.3 Explain the licencing and registration of Firearms in Canada
  - 1.4 Locate, in the Criminal Code and Firearms Act, pertinent sections related to offences involving weapons and firearms;
  - 1.5 Locate, in the Firearms Act and regulations, pertinent sections related to:
    - Licencing and Registration of Firearms and Weapons;
    - Storage and handling of Firearms and Weapons
  - 1.6 Interpret offences, punishment and definitions related to offences involving weapons and firearms;
  - 1.7 Locate in the Criminal Code and Reported Cases, case law related to offences involving weapons and firearms;
  - 1.8 Assess the impact of Case Law related to offences involving weapons and firearms on the police process.
  - 1.9 Identify possible defences applicable in given situations;
- 2 Analyze offences related to weapons and firearms by applying the basic principles of Criminal Law:
  - 2.1 From a given factual situation, (case study)
    - a) Identify the offence(s);
    - b) List the facts in issue of the offence(s);
    - c) Describe the investigative procedures used to assist in the proving of the facts in issue,
    - d) Apply case law decisions;
    - e) Complete all required documentation required for arrest, release, search, and compelling appearance in court;
    - f) Apply any defence that may be applicable to the situation.
  - 2.2 Defend or argue a decision to charge, using statute and case law to support your stance.
  - 2.3 Develop and apply crime prevention strategies to prevent or reduce violent crime involving weapons or firearms.
- 3.0 Locate, interpret and apply Statute and Case Law related to selected provisions and offences related to the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act:
  - 3.1 Define selected terms;
  - 3.2 Identify commonly abused drugs and substances by schedule, description and street names;
  - 3.3 Describe the physical and psychological effects of the commonly abused drugs and substances;

- 3.4 Locate, in the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act, pertinent sections related to offences involving drugs and substances;
  - 3.5 Interpret offences, punishment and definitions related to offences involving drugs and substances;
  - 3.6 Locate in the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act and Reported Cases, case law related to offences involving Controlled drugs and substances;
  - 3.7 Assess the impact of Case Law related to offences involving drugs and substances on the police process;
  - 3.8 Identify possible defences applicable in given situations;
4. 0 Analyze offences related to controlled drugs and substances by applying the basic principles of Criminal Law:
- 4.1 From a given factual situation, (case study)
    - a) identify the offence(s);
    - b) list the facts in issue of the offence(s);
    - g) describe the investigative procedures used to assist in the proving of the facts in issue,
    - h) apply case law decisions;
    - i) complete all required documentation required for arrest, release, search, and compelling appearance in court;
    - j) apply any defence that may be applicable to the situation.
  - 4.2 Defend or argue a decision to charge, using statute and case law to support your stance;
  - 4.3 Develop and apply crime prevention strategies to prevent or reduce drugs and substance abuses in our community.
5. Locate, interpret and apply Statute and Case Law related to hate and bias crimes:
- 5.1 Define selected terms;
  - 5.2 Describe the causes of hate and bias crimes;
  - 5.3 Locate, in the Criminal Code, pertinent sections related to hate and bias crimes;
  - 5.4 Interpret offences, punishment and definitions related to hate and bias crimes;
  - 5.5 Locate in the Criminal Code and Reported Cases, case law related to hate and bias crimes;
  - 5.6 Assess the impact of Case Law related to hate and bias crimes;
  - 5.7 Identify possible defences applicable in given situations involving hate and bias crimes;
6. Analyze offences related to hate and bias crimes
- 6.1 From a given factual situation, (case study)
    - a) identify the offence(s);
    - b) list the facts in issue of the offence(s);
    - c) describe the investigative procedures used to assist in the proving of the facts in issue,
    - d) apply case law decisions;
    - e) complete all required documentation required for arrest, release, search, and compelling appearance in court;
    - f) apply any defence that may be applicable to the situation.

- 6.2 Defend or argue a decision to charge, using statute and case law to support your stance.
  - 6.3 Develop and apply crime prevention strategies to prevent or reduce violent crime involving weapons or firearms.
7. Explain the relationships between the Criminal Code and other selected Federal Statutes such as:
- 7.2 The Young Offenders Act;
  - 7.3 The Identification of Criminals Act;
  - 7.4 The Interpretation Act;
  - 7.5 The Indian Act;
  - 7.6 The Charter of Rights and Freedoms

**COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES**

- 1. Locate, interpret and apply Statute and Case Law related to weapons and firearms offences and other provisions of the Criminal Code and the Firearms Act

<b>Critical Knowledge and Skills</b>	<b>Suggested Resources</b>	<b>Suggested Learning Activities</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Interpretation skills to interpret statute and case law</li> <li>• Research skills to locate statute and case law</li> <li>• communication skills to report findings</li> <li>• knowledge of investigative techniques</li> <li>• knowledge of police powers</li> <li>• knowledge of defences to criminal prosecutions</li> </ul>	Annotated Criminal Code  Library Resources  Canadian Criminal Cases or similar resource	Open book exercises  Group exercises  Practical activities

- 2. Analyze offences related to weapons and firearms offences and other provisions of the Criminal Code and the Firearms Act

<b>Critical Knowledge and Skills</b>	<b>Suggested Resources</b>	<b>Suggested Learning Activities</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• knowledge of basic concepts in Canadian Criminal and civil law</li> <li>• knowledge of Police powers</li> <li>• knowledge of investigative techniques</li> <li>• knowledge of crime prevention practices</li> <li>• knowledge of ethical behaviour and practices</li> <li>• research skills</li> <li>• communication skills</li> </ul>	Annotated Criminal Code Firearms Act  Library Resources  Canadian Criminal Cases or similar resource	Case Studies  Group Activities  Role Playing  Reporting

• analytical and problem solving skills		
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3. Locate, interpret and apply Statute and Case Law related to selected provisions and offences related to the Controlled Drugs and substances Act:

<b>Critical Knowledge and Skills</b>	<b>Suggested Resources</b>	<b>Suggested Learning Act.</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• interpretation skills to interpret statute and case law</li> <li>• research skills to locate statute and case law</li> <li>• knowledge of basic concepts in Canadian Criminal and civil law</li> <li>• knowledge of Police powers</li> <li>• knowledge of investigative techniques</li> <li>• knowledge of crime prevention practices</li> <li>• knowledge of ethical behaviour and practices</li> <li>• communication skills</li> <li>• analytical and problem solving skills</li> </ul>	Controlled Drugs and Substances Act  Library Resources  Canadian Criminal Cases or similar resource	Case Studies  Assignment  Presentation

4. Analyze offences related the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act and other provisions of the Criminal Code

<b>Critical Knowledge and Skills</b>	<b>Suggested Resources</b>	<b>Suggested Learning Activities</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• knowledge of basic concepts in Canadian Criminal and civil law</li> <li>• knowledge of Police powers</li> <li>• knowledge of investigative techniques</li> <li>• knowledge of crime prevention practices</li> <li>• knowledge of ethical behaviour and practices</li> <li>• research skills</li> <li>• communication skills</li> <li>• analytical and problem solving skills</li> </ul>	Annotated Criminal Code  Library Resources  Canadian Criminal Cases or similar resource	Case Studies  Group Activities  Role Playing  Reporting

5. Locate, interpret and apply Statute and Case Law related hate and bias crimes.

<b>Critical Knowledge and Skills</b>	<b>Suggested Resources</b>	<b>Suggested Learning Activities</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Interpretation skills to interpret statute and case law</li> <li>• Research skills to locate statute and</li> </ul>	Annotated Criminal Code	Open book exercises  Group exercises

case law <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• communication skills to report findings</li> <li>• knowledge of investigative techniques</li> <li>• knowledge of police powers</li> <li>• knowledge of defences to criminal prosecutions</li> </ul>	Library Resources  Canadian Criminal Cases or similar resource  Internet	Practical activities
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6. Analyze offences related to hate and bias crimes.

<b>Critical Knowledge and Skills</b>	<b>Suggested Resources</b>	<b>Suggested Learning Activities</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• knowledge of basic concepts in Canadian Criminal and civil law</li> <li>• knowledge of Police powers</li> <li>• knowledge of investigative techniques</li> <li>• knowledge of crime prevention practices</li> <li>• knowledge of ethical behaviour and practices</li> <li>• research skills</li> <li>• communication skills</li> <li>• analytical and problem solving skills</li> </ul>	Annotated Criminal Code  Library Resources  Canadian Criminal Cases or similar resource	Case Studies  Group Activities  Reporting

**Recommended text:**

Martin's Annotated Criminal Code 2003, Canada Law Book  
 Criminal Code & Federal Statutes: Police Applications, Canadian Criminal Justice Academy

**How learners might demonstrate their learning achievement of course learning outcomes:**

**Written Tests:**

Questions to test learner's understanding of terms, offences, points of law, and case law (course learning outcomes)

**Case Studies**

Using real (role play) or simulated situations, students will identify any offences and analyze those offences to establish a *prima facie* case. Knowledge and skills acquired in other Police Foundations classes, that is relevant to this course will also be utilized and re-enforced. Students will prepare a written report as well as presenting their findings to the class. (course learning outcomes 1, 2,3 and 4)

**Prior Learning Assessment Process:**

Experience documented in a portfolio with and interview

OR

Challenge test involving a case studies that requires the applicant to demonstrate the three outcomes related to this course

### **EVALUATION PROCESS / GRADING SYSTEM**

Students will be evaluated in the following manner:

Crown Brief Assignment	20%
Mid Term	40%
Final Exam	40%

TOTAL	100%
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Students are responsible for attending and writing mid term and final exams on the scheduled dates.

**Re-writes will not be permitted unless accompanied by a doctor's note.**

### **COLLEGE GRADING POLICY**

90 - 100%	=	A+
80 - 90%	=	A
70 - 80%	=	B
60 - 70%	=	C
BELOW 60%	=	R (Repeat Course)

### **VI. SPECIAL NOTES**

- a) If you are a student with special needs (eg. physical limitations, visual impairments, hearing impairments, learning disabilities), you are encouraged to discuss required accommodations with the faculty member and/or the Special Needs Office, room E1204, ext. 493, 717 or 491 so that support services can be arranged for you.
- b) It is the responsibility of the student to retain all course outlines for possible future use in acquiring advanced standing at other post secondary institutions.
- c) **There is no specific grade assigned to attendance, however, it has been demonstrated year after year that students who do not attend classes on a regular basis will have a very difficult time in being successful.**