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Criminal Law

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Course Outline

- An overview of criminal law in Canada, theory and procedure, including the political issues and controversies surrounding it.
- Lectures will deal with the following topics:
 - Criminal law and social policy
 - Criminal procedure
 - Criminal law and the Charter of Rights and Freedoms
 - The role of the Crown Attorney
 - The role of the defence counsel
 - Lawyers' Professional Responsibility
 - Evidentiary issues and Defences

Required Textbook

Criminal Law in Canada, 6th Edition, Simon N. Verdun-Jones
(available at Lakehead University book store)

Other resources to be provided.

Course Requirements and Evaluation

Mid-term Examination (in class February 11)	worth	20% (Optional)
Essay (hand in hard copy in class February 25)	worth	30% (Optional)
Final Examination (during April exam period)	worth	50% (or 100% if no
options chosen or 70% or 80% if one option chosen)		

Both of the mid-term examination (one hour in length) and the final examination (two hours in length) are closed book, multiple choice examinations. The only mandatory evaluation is the final examination.

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