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Criminal Law

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Fall, 2013 Tuesdays, 7:00-10:00 p.m. SN 1015

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, 5th Edition, Simon N. Verdun-Jones (available at Lakehead University book store)

Other resources to be provided.

Course Requirements and Evaluation

Mid-term Examination (October 15)	20% (Optional)
Essay (due October 8)	30% (Optional)
Final Examination (December examination period)	50% (100% if no
options chosen or 70% or 80% if one option chosen)	

The final examination is open book and two and one-half hours in length.