

BUSINESS LAW I MOS 2275A Section 550

Intersession: May 11 – June 26, 2020

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### **Instructor Contact Information:**

Course Delivery: Online

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### **Course Description:**

An introduction to Canadian business law, including: tort law, contracts, property, employment, partnerships, corporations, debtor and creditor, bankruptcy and insolvency, sale of goods and consumer protection. Cases and current events are used to illustrate legal issues and to solve legal problems.

Antirequisite(s): Business Administration 4450A/B, Law 5510A/B, 5210A/B.

Prerequisite(s): Enrolment in BMOS or the Honors Specialization in Urban Development or Technical Entrepreneurship Certificate (TEC).

Students are responsible for ensuring that they have successfully completed all course prerequisites. If you do not have the prerequisites for this course, and you do not have written special permission from your Dean to enroll in this course, you will be removed from this course and it will be deleted from your record. This decision may not be appealed. You will receive no adjustment to your fees in the event that you are dropped from a course for failing to have the necessary prerequisites.

## **Course Learning Objectives:**

This course will enable students to identify, analyze and make decisions pertaining to legal issues in business. At the completion of this course, the student will be able to:

- Develop an understanding of Canadian business law and general legal principles as they apply to business
- Identify and analyze legal issues including forms of business organization, contracts, negligence, leasing, financing, labour and employment, e-commerce, intellectual property, international business transactions, conflict resolution and negotiation
- Understand various legal relationships found in the business environment
- Understand, analyze and interpret different types of business contracts

#### Course Method:

This online course will be delivered, and all assignments will be submitted, via OWL. The course is divided into weeks with each week beginning at 12:00 am (ET) on Monday and ending the following Sunday at 11:59 pm (ET), except for Week 6 which ends at 11:59 pm (ET) on Friday. Audio lectures will be provided for each chapter of the textbook. Also, additional study materials such as videos or articles will also be provided throughout the course.

#### Textbook:

<u>Legal Fundamentals for Canadian Business</u>, Richard Yates, 4th Edition, ISBN 9780133370287. Below is the Bookstore's web link for you to purchase the textbook.

https://bookstore.uwo.ca/textbook-search?campus=HC&term=B2020&courses%5B0%5D=550\_HC/MOS2275A

#### Methods of Evaluation/Assessment:

The methods of evaluation/assessment for this course are as follows:

Discussion Board Forums (Each discussion board forum is worth 50 points)
 Total possible points = 250

During this course, you will participate in 5 graded Discussion Board Forums. Forums give you an opportunity to reflection upon, process and elaborate on the reading and study material. Each forum will be completed in two parts: an initial thread (at least 350 words) addressing my question prompt, and at least two replies (at least 250 words each) to your classmates' threads. Please make sure you use proper sentence structure, grammar, spelling, and punctuation.

Each reply must be a substantive response to something your classmate wrote in their initial thread – something you agree with or disagree with and why. You should encourage your peers critically, but you must also be polite and courteous.

Please title the subject line of your replies "Reply to [add name of student]". This will ensure that it is clear to whom you are replying. Also, note that responses such as "I like what you said", "this is a good comment" and "I disagree with your comment" do not count as complete replies in and of themselves. Instead, stating why you liked or disliked a peer's thread, presenting additional thoughts or ideas, and providing alternative ideas/thoughts when you disagree all count as complete replies. Courtesy in any disagreement is expected.

Your initial thread is due by 11:59 (ET) on Thursday of the week and your replies are due by 11:59 (ET) on Sunday.

2. Quizzes (Each quiz is worth 60 points)
Total possible points = 360

Each week you will complete a quiz that covers the readings and study material for the week. The quiz will consist of 20 questions and you will have 40 minutes to complete it. Once you begin the quiz, you must complete it in its entirety. Complete the quiz by 11:59 (ET) on Sunday of Weeks 1-5, and by 11:59 (ET) on Friday of Week 6.

Final Exam
 Total possible points = 180

The final exam will be 60 questions covering Chapters 1-10. You will have 2 hours to complete the final exam. Once you begin the final exam, you must complete it in its entirety. Complete the final exam by 11:59 (ET) Tuesday, June 30.

The quizzes and the final exam will be subject to submission for similarity review by software that will check for unusual coincidences in answer patterns that may indicate cheating.

Plagiarism in the discussion board forums is an academic offense and will be treated as such. Students who are in doubt as to the nature of this offence should consult their instructor, Department Chair, or Dean's Office, as well as the Huron University College Statement on Plagiarism, available at the Reference Desk in the Huron University College Library and at www.huronuc.on.ca. In addition, students may seek guidance from a variety of current style manuals available at the Reference Desk in the Huron University College Library. Information about these resources can be found at www.huronuc.on.ca/library&computing~styleguides

# Missed Assignments, Quizzes, or Exam:

Students are required to complete all components of the course. No component will be dropped or reweighted. Please see the Appendix to Course Outlines on the OWL course site for specific instructions regarding missed assignments or exams.

# **Weekly Schedule**

Week	<u>Dates</u>	Readings and Assignments
Week 1	May 11 – May 17	Readings: Chapters 1 and 2 of the textbook.  Presentations: Chapters 1 and 2 audio lectures.  Class Introductions Post: Submit your Introduction Post by 11:59 pm (ET) on Wednesday.  Discussion Board 1: Submit your initial thread by 11:59 pm (ET) on Thursday. Submit a minimum of 2 replies by 11:59 pm (ET) on Sunday.  Quiz 1: Submit the quiz by 11:59 (ET) on Sunday.
Week 2	May 18 – May 24	Readings: Chapters 3 of the textbook and additional study materials as assigned.  Presentations: Chapter 3 audio lecture.  Discussion Board 2: Submit your initial thread by 11:59 pm (ET) on Thursday. Submit a minimum of 2 replies by 11:59 pm (ET) on Sunday.  Quiz 2: Submit the quiz by 11:59 (ET) on Sunday.

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Week 3	May 25 – May 31	Readings: Chapters 4 and 5 of the textbook and additional study materials as assigned.  Presentations: Chapters 4 and 5 audio lectures.  Discussion Board 3: Submit your initial thread by 11:59 pm (ET) on Thursday. Submit a minimum of 2 replies by 11:59 pm (ET) on Sunday.  Quiz 3: Submit the quiz by 11:59 (ET) on Sunday.
	June 1 – June 7	Break – no class
Week 4	June 8 – June 14	Readings: Chapter 6 of the textbook and additional study materials as assigned.  Presentations: Chapter 6 audio lecture.  Discussion Board 4: Submit your initial thread by 11:59 pm (ET) on Thursday. Submit a minimum of 2 replies by 11:59 pm (ET) on Sunday.  Quiz 4: Submit the quiz by 11:59 (ET) on Sunday.
Week 5	June 15 – June 21	Readings: Chapters 7 and 8 of textbook and additional study materials as assigned.  Presentations: Chapters 7 and 8 audio lectures.  Discussion Board 5: Submit your initial thread by 11:59 pm (ET) on Thursday. Submit a minimum of 2 replies by 11:59 pm (ET) on Sunday.  Quiz 5: Submit the quiz by 11:59 (ET) on Sunday.

Week 6	June 22 – Friday, June 26	Readings: Chapters 9 and 10 of the textbook and additional study materials as assigned.  Presentations: Chapters 9 and 10 audio lectures.  Quiz 6: Submit the quiz by 11:59 (ET) on Wednesday.
Final Exam		Complete the final exam by 11:59 (ET) on June 30.



The Appendix to Course Outlines is posted on the OWL course site.