## The University of Western Ontario

## Management and Organizational Studies 275A – Section 004

### **CANADIAN BUSINESS LAW**

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CLASSES:	9:30 – 11:30 a.m. Thursdays for twelve weeks in SSC 2032.			SSC 2032.

#### **COURSE OBJECTIVES:**

- 1. To develop an understanding of Canadian business law and general legal principles as they apply to business.
- 2. To be able to identify and analyze legal problems and issues as they relate to business.
- 3. To understand various legal relationships found in the business environment.
- 4. To understand various different types of business contracts.
- 5. To familiarize students with legal issues including torts, negligence, contracts, forms of business organization, property, debtor and creditor, labour and employment, intellectual property, e-business and dispute resolution.
- **TEXT:** Business Law in Canada, 8<sup>th</sup> Edition Richard A. Yates, Prentice-Hall of Canada Ltd.

**READINGS:** Students should read and are responsible for all assigned readings. Additional material may be given to students, including contracts and other legal documents, but students are not responsible for that supplementary material.

**EVALUATION:** Students will be evaluated on the basis of (a) four online quizzes (20%); (b) a mid-term exam (40%); and (c) a final exam (40%).

**EXAMS and QUIZZES:** Exams are multiple-choice and closed-book. No dictionaries or electronic devices are allowed. Quizzes will be based on current assigned reading material.

**ACADEMIC OFFENCES:** Scholastic offences are taken seriously and students are directed to read the appropriate policy, specifically, the definition of what constitutes a Scholastic Offence, at the following website: http://www.uwo.ca/univsec/handbook/appeals/scholoff.pdf.

Computer-marked multiple-choice tests and/or exams may be subject to submission for similarity review by software that will check for unusual coincidences in answer patterns that may indicate cheating.

**ILLNESS AND SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES:** All requests for exam or academic accommodations due to illness or special circumstances must be made to the Academic Counselling office and not to the instructor.

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Class	Date	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Readings</u>
1	September 4	General Introduction	Chapter 1
2	September 11	The Legal System and the Resolution of Disputes	Chapters 2 and 3
3	September 18	Tort Law and Professional Liability	Chapters 4 and 5
4	September 25 Contracts I – The Formation of Contracts		Chapters 6 and 7
5	October 2	Contracts II – Mistake, Misrepresentation, Duress	Chapter 8
	October 9	NO CLASS	
6	October 16 Contracts III – Breach of Cont and Termination of the Contra		Chapter 9
	October 23	MID-TERM EXAM	Chapters 2 – 9 inclusive
7	October 30	Agency, Sole Proprietorships and Partnerships	Chapter 13
8	November 6	Corporations	Chapter 14
9	November 13	Sale of Goods, Consumer Protection and Debtor and Creditor Law	Chapters 10 and 11
10	November 20	Employment Law, Agency and Insurance	Chapters 12
11	November 27	Property	Chapters 15 and 16
	Exam Period	FINAL EXAM	Chapters 10 – 16 inclusive