Sec 30-LEL-Friday at 10am-Fall

This will be a unique semester! I have been teaching this course for nineteen years in the classroom and again, it will not be face to face. While there will be challenges, I am going to do my very best to make this course as memorable as possible.

With the assistance of the Centre for Teaching and Learning, I believe I can make this course interesting and rewarding. I have included the proposed syllabus.

Please keep an eye on blackboard, with over 200 students mistakes are going to happen. While it will only happen, one or two times, I do not want it to happen to you.

Material is subject to change (with proper notice) Assignments dates and times may change by a day or a few hours. I do have virtual office hours in my WebEx room, they are scheduled for Fridays at 1pm. If this time does not work for you, I am always available by email.

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***Course Description***

This course explores why laws are created, and how they are interpreted in the Criminal Code and in the courtroom. Students explore our civic responsibility, and how it affects our everyday life. An emphasis is placed on the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms and other procedures in law.

**You are responsible for your own notes and textbook**

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Required Resource.

**Introduction to Legal Studies** Frances E Chapman Nelson Education 2014

Mark Breakdown

***Assignments-40****%*

2 assignments

#1-15%

#2-15%

#3-10%

***Tests-60%***

Mid-term 30%

Final test-30%

**Outline**

**Proposed**

**Week 1** September 10th-introductions, overview of course syllabus. Understanding different views of law. Clarify expectations (**online** **class** **conversation**)-Chapter 1-Introduction

**Week 2-**September 17th - Chapter 1 con’t & understanding the world of the legal professional (lawyers) (**online** **class** **discussion**)

**Week** **3-** September 24th -Understanding criminal law Chapter 9- actus reus and mens rea.

(**line** **class** **conversation**)

**Week** **4**-October1st-Chaper 11-Criminal Law defenses (notes posted on blackboard) Asmt #1 posted-Oct 1st at 5pm- due-Oct 6th @ midnight

**Week 5-** October 8th- chapter 10-The Charter, Criminal Procedure and Evidence, (**online** **class** **conversation)**

**Week 6-**October 15th -Chapter 12-Sentencing and the Prison System, review for midterm (review not on BB) (**online** **class**) you must attend class for the review

**Week7**- mid term posted October 22ndth @noon due by October 27th @ midnight

**October** 25th-**October** 29th (**inclusive**) **Study** **Week**-**complete** **assignment** #**2** this week-posted at noon October 25th-due by October 31st @midnight

**Week** **8** November 5th -introduction to Civil Law-differences between civil and criminal law, civil litigation (**online** **class**)

**Week** **9-**November12th-contract law (**notes** **posted** **on** **blackboard**)-assignment #3 will be posted

**Week** **10**-November 19th-family law (**online** **class** **conversation)**

**Week** **11**-November 26th- assignment #3 posted at noon, due by midnight December 1st-open week TBD

**Week 12-** December 3rd-final review and summary. (reviews not posted on BB)

**Week 13 December 10th-final exam posted at noon in this day, final day for submission is December 16th at midnight**

**Marks must be on Banner by Dec 22**