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Office Hours: By appointment only. I am available through email at all times to arrange a meeting.

COURSE OVERVIEW:
This course will serve to introduce you to the criminal justice process. It is important to understand the procedures and practices that govern criminal law; from initial arrest to sentencing. This will include discussions relating from youth law to how the Charter of Rights and Freedoms has affected our criminal justice system. In the second half of the course, we will examine case law that has been instrumental in shaping our Criminal Code and common law.

REQUIRED MATERIALS:
1. Joan Brockman and V. Gordon Rose - An Introduction to Canadian Criminal Procedure and Evidence - 4th Edition - (available through the University of Manitoba Bookstore) - REQUIRED
2. Verdun-Jones, Simon - Canadian Criminal Cases: Selected Highlights (digital core) - 3rd Edition (available online- you will receive an access card) - REQUIRED

EVALUATION:
A+ = 95-100%   A= 86-94%   B+ = 80-85%   B= 79-70%
C+= 69-65%     C= 60-64%    D= 50-59%     F= less than 50%

35%- Midterm exam (to be done during class on October 16)
10% - Abstract/proposal
5% - Participation/attendance
45% - Final Paper (Details to be discussed during class- due in class on December 4)
5% - Presentations

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:
Students should acquaint themselves with the University’s policy on plagiarism, cheating, exam personation (“Personation at Examinations”- Section 5.2.9 and “Plagiarism and Cheating” – Section 8.1) and duplicate submission by reading documentation provided at the Arts Student Resources website at: http://www.umanitoba.ca/faculties/arts/student/index.html- Ignorance of the regulations and policies regarding academic integrity is not a valid excuse for violating them. The minimum penalty for plagiarism is an F on a written assignment.
Any term work that has not been claimed by students will be held for four (4) months from the end of the final examination period for the term in which the work was assigned. At the conclusion of this time, all unclaimed term work will become property of the Faculty of Arts and be destroyed according to FIPPA guidelines and using confidential measures for disposal.

Deadlines for papers are final. Students are expected to hand in papers on time and be present for the midterm. Failure to do so may result in an F. Should there be an exceptional circumstance, I expect to be informed PRIOR to the test/due date of the paper. I will determine whether the circumstance merits an extension or not. If not, students must hand in papers on time and be prepared to write the mid-term on time.

READINGS:
**Depending on class discussions, we may have “spill over” into the following week’s class. We may not get through all of the following topics within the allotted time frame. It’s hard to predict how much material we will get through so this is a TENTATIVE reading list. The guest speaker is also tentative at this time and we may skip the speaker and continue following the schedule as laid out.

Part 1- Criminal Procedure
September 11, 2013- First class: Intro to the Course
September 18, 2013- Read Chapters 1-3 of Brockman/Rose’s textbook
September 25, 2013- Read Chapters 4-6 of Brockman/Rose’s textbook
October 2, 2013- Read Chapters 9-11 of Brockman/Rose’s textbook
October 9, 2013- Guest Speaker
October 16, 2013- MIDTERM EXAM (to be completed during class hours)

Part 2- Criminal Law
October 23, 2013- Read Chapter 1 (Cases 1-3) and all of Chapter 2.
October 30, 2013- Read Chapter 3 (Cases 8-10) and all of Chapter 4.
November 6, 2013- Paper Proposals Due. Read all of Chapter 5, Chapter 6 (Cases 18 and 19) and Chapter 7 (Cases 21, 22 and 24).
November 13, 2013- Last day for voluntary withdrawal. Read Chapter 8 (Cases 30 and 31), Chapter 9 (Case 33), Chapter 10 (Case 38), Chapter 11 (case 40) and Chapter 12 (Case 42).
November 20, 2013- Presentations
November 27, 2013- Presentations
December 4, 2013- FINAL PAPER DUE IN CLASS. Presentations. Final Class.