

UNIVERSITY OF MANITOBA
SOCIOLOGY 077.372 L02
CRIMINAL LAW & PROCEDURES (3 CR HRS)
COURSE OUTLINE (Winter Term)
Thursday Evening January 5, 2006 to April 6, 2006
Room 215 Tier Building 7:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m.

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Office Hours: Consultations with students could occur via e-mail, fax, telephone, on campus either before or after Thursday evening class or by attendance at my law office at a mutually convenient time and date.

REQUIRED MATERIALS:

- (S) Murray, *Materials on Criminal Law and Its Procedures* - available through the book store
- (T) Simon Verdum-Jones, *Criminal Law in Canada: Cases, Questions and the Code (3rd ed 2001)* - available through the book store

EVALUATION:

A+=90 - 100% A= 80-89% B+=75-79% B=70-74%
C+=65-69% C=60-64% D=59 -50% F=Less than 50%

- 33.3% TAKE HOME ESSAY DISTRIBUTED IN ADVANCE ON JANUARY 26,2006.
- DUE ON FEBRUARY 2, 2006 in class or no later than 7:00 p.m.
- 33.3% TEST - FEBRUARY 9, 2006. *Closed book*
- 33.3% FINAL EXAMINATION - IN EXAMINATION PERIOD. Time and date to be provided by student records (APRIL 10-27,2006)- Closed Book

COURSE OVERVIEW:

Criminal law and its procedure will introduce you to the criminal process. First, we will consider how the “system” of criminal law works. The reality of justice and manner rendered in our criminal courts will be exposed for our examination and criticism. Emphasis will be placed on individual rights, their protection under law and most notably under the Charter of Rights and Freedoms. Once you have a background of knowledge respecting the way an accused comes before Court, we will contemplate the proof of guilt at Trial. This is “substantive” criminal law. It is concerned with defining the rights and duties each person has in a society, its defines criminal conduct.

COURSE READINGS: [REVISED] T= Verdun-Jones Text S= Murray Materials

January 5, 2006	SOURCES OF CRIMINAL LAW: THE COMMON LAW	S 1-10 T 1-13
	INTRODUCTION TO THE CHARTER OF RIGHTS & FREEDOMS	S 11-25
January 12	THE CRIMINAL PROCESS/CLASSIFICATION & ARREST	S 26-47
	ARREST & THE CHARTER	S 48-56
January 19	THE AUTHORITY TO SEARCH	S 57-66
	UNREASONABLE SEARCH & SEIZURE	S 67-83
January 26	PRE-TRIAL PROCESS: CHARGE SCREENING & DISCLOSURE	S 84-106
	BAIL	S 107-111
February 2	THE PLEA & THE TRIAL	S 112-116, 126-132
	SENTENCING	S 133-140
February 9	IN CLASS TEST 33.3%	

February 16	Mid-Term Break (Feb. 13-17/06)	
February 23	INTRODUCTION TO ACTUS REUS CAUSATION	T 26-31, 38-47 T 68-88
March 2	“Democracy on Trial”	
March 9	MENS REA NEGLIGENCE	T 91-96, 105-116,118-119,123-128 T 132-36, 145-152
March 16	STRICT & ABSOLUTE LIABILITY PARTIES TO AN OFFENCE	T 157-174, 176-182 T 185-204
March 23	UNFILLED OFFENCES & MISTAKES VOLUNTARINESS	T 204-24, 272-79 T 47-64
March 30	MENTAL INTOXICATION	T 227-242 T 279-292
April 6	DEFENCES: NECESSITY & DURESS Review	T 292-308

APPEAL OF MID-TERM & TERM WORK ASSESSMENTS:

A student who wishes to appeal a grade given for a piece of term work is normally allowed 10 working days (from date of communication of the grade) to make such an appeal, which is to be done as follows:

1. The student is expected to discuss matters relating to the grade with the instructor prior to submitting a formal, ie., written appeal.

2. Having decided to submit a formal appeal, the student is to obtain the necessary “Application for Appealing a Grade Given for Term Work” form from the General Office of Sociology, complete it, take it to The University of Manitoba Comptroller’s Office and pay the required fee.

MISSED EXAMINATIONS & LATE ASSIGNMENTS:

If a test is missed for a legitimate medical reason the student **MUST** get in touch with the professor, present a medical certificate, and arrange for a make-up test. Under normal circumstances, the student is required to inform the professor of a request for a make-up test within one week of the original test date. Failure to request a make-up test within the expected time frame may result in ineligibility for a make-up test and a mark of zero for that test. No make-up will be allowed after the mid-term examination has been returned or taken up in class. One mark per day will be deducted for late submission of the assignment. No assignment will be accepted after the return of the marked assignments and the student will receive a zero for the assignment.

POLICY ON PLAGIARISM AND CHEATING:

The rule is simple: Plagiarism and cheating is not allowed in this course. See University of Manitoba Undergraduate Calendar on pages 26 & 27.

Voluntary withdrawal deadline March 17, 2006.