Information Sheet for English JD Students
Spring-Summer 2020 Courses

This year, on an exceptional basis, the Faculty of Law is offering a selection of distance and online learning courses during the Spring-Summer semester.

Taking a summer course can serve different purposes – whether to lighten your workload for 2020-2021, build your knowledge in an area of law that interests you, or simply keep those intellectual muscles flexed over the summer.

Over the past month, we have heard from many Common Law students who are eager to take courses this summer. Unfortunately, the COVID-19 pandemic has forced us to cancel some of our typical summer opportunities, such as our annual intensive course on International Humanitarian Law. Meanwhile, many students have been unable to secure summer jobs, or have seen their hours reduced, and are looking for ways to use their time productively. Finally, based on communications from the Law Society of Ontario, we anticipate that both articling and summer recruitment for 2021 will be deferred to later in the year than usual, which could put more on students’ plates at different points during the academic year.

With all these factors in mind, we have designed our course offerings for Spring-Summer 2020 to give you flexibility and opportunities for engagement and learning... albeit at a safe social distance!

Course Offerings & Schedule

We will be offering the following courses in the Spring-Summer 2020 semester. Please note that these courses will all be graded on an alphanumeric basis.

**CML 2302 Business Organizations (Professor Ian MacGregor) – May 19 to June 29, 2020**

Monday 4:00-7:00 pm
Wednesday 4:00-7:00 pm

**Description:**
Introduction to the most common methods of carrying on business, including the nature of the interests at stake in a business enterprise (those of owners, directors, officers, employees, creditors and the public); the ways in which the law governing business enterprises mediates among these interests; how to set up a small private corporation; when corporations are liable for contractual, tortious and criminal obligations; when directors and officers have breached their duties to the corporation; and the lawyer’s role in advising corporate clients.

**Teaching Method:**
This course will be a lecture-based course delivered over Zoom. Powerpoint slides will be circulated to students. Participation throughout the course is encouraged.
**Method of Evaluation:**
Option 1: 100% 2-hour final exam (Brightspace) or
Option 2: 100% paper

**Exam Date:**
July 2, 2020 from 9:30-11:30 am

**CML 2309 Civil Procedure (Professor Brandon Stewart) – May 19 to June 29, 2020**

Tuesday 9:30 am-12:30 pm
Thursday 9:30 am-12:30 pm

**Description:**
This course provides an overview of the law of procedure. Topics include: initial consultation, originating process, service, pleadings, parties, discovery, motions, summary and default proceedings, trials, costs and appeals. Emphasis will be placed on navigating the rules that students are likely to come across during their articles and first few years of practice.

**Teaching Method:**
This course will use a combination of lectures, discussion and the completion of individual or small group practical exercises during class time (drafting a statement of claim and notice of motion, etc.). Course content will be delivered using Zoom and Brightspace. Students should also be prepared to use Google Docs for any practical exercises.

**Method of Evaluation:**
100% 2-hour open-book exam (Brightspace)

**Exam Date:**
July 6, 2020 from 9:30-11:30 am

**CML 2343 Commercial Law (Professor Mark Hecht) – May 19 to June 29, 2020**

Monday 4:00-7:00 pm
Wednesday 4:00-7:00 pm

**Description:**
This course will be divided into two separate, yet interrelated components: Commercial transactions and the financing of those transactions. Part one of the course is meant to introduce the basic concepts of commercial law generally and consumer sales law in particular. The focus will be on sales from a Canadian perspective; however, it will also incorporate discussions on the Convention on the International Sale of Goods, the Uniform Commercial Code, and other international agreements. Recent developments in consumer protection laws, including Internet sales transactions, will be canvassed. Part two of the course is concerned with the modern law of secured transactions in personal property arrangements. It involves a study of the Ontario Personal Property Security Act (PPSA) and other legislation with reference to creditor/debtor law and bankruptcy/insolvency law. An international element will be explored as well through a discussion of letter of credit agreements and insurance and/or transportation
matters. Finally, emerging issues in environmental, labour and anti-corruption regulation may be canvassed depending on time restrictions.

**Teaching Method:**
A sixty to ninety (60-90) minute lecture podcast will be uploaded onto Brightspace that students can listen to at their convenience, prior to participating in the live class. There will be a live class via Teams to review the material as a group and answer students’ questions.

**Method of Evaluation:**
100% final exam, which will include a series of short essays based on the content covered.

**Exam Date:**
July 2, 2020 at 9:30 am

**CML 3305 Privacy Law (Professor Katie Szilagyi) – May 19 to June 29, 2020**

Tuesday 12:30-3:30 pm
Thursday 12:30-3:30 pm

**Maximum Enrollment:**
25 students

**Description:**
Privacy is viewed from competing perspectives in our modern, interconnected world. Some would call it the cornerstone of private life, enabling self-actualization through solace, or moments offstage. Those might strive to ensure its protection through legal, regulatory, or structural means. Others would impose limits on privacy’s potential reach, citing the merits of data-driven business models, personalized approaches, or the promotion of innovation. Still others seek a middle ground. No matter the perspective, privacy law has emerged as a fundamental aspect of the knowledge economy and an important component of any technologically-savvy legal practice.

This course serves as an introduction to the collection of laws, regulations, and theoretical frameworks that make up Canadian privacy law. By the end, you should be well grounded in many challenges facing institutions that collect or process personal information. In addition to knowledge of the Canadian statutory scheme governing privacy, you should learn about the overarching policy questions that arise in this dynamic area, the legally relevant questions to ask when assessing information practices, and some of the nonlegal models of information governance. Importantly, you will engage with privacy theory and how it is presented by different theorists in the field. You also should gain a basic understanding of data privacy regulation in other countries, particularly the European Union.

All students will benefit from more sophisticated knowledge about an issue that appears in the news every single day. But there are significant professional payoffs too. Major law firms now have organized entire practice areas devoted to privacy and data protection law. In the last few years, the International Association of Privacy Professionals (IAPP), a key trade association in this space, has grown substantially, with both lawyers and other specialists. These trends mean that law school graduates will have increasing job opportunities in privacy law. Meanwhile, in
many other practice areas—such as securities, labor and employment, health, intellectual property, electronic commerce, and the list goes on—familiarity with privacy law has become a major asset.

The goal of this class is to equip students with the legal training necessary to help their clients solve complex information privacy-related business and legal problems.

**Method of Evaluation:**

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<td>Final paper (3500-4000 words; topic of your choosing) or final exam (4-hour take-home exam; essay format)</td>
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**Exam Date and Final Paper Deadline:**
Exam on July 3, 2020 from 9:30 am-1:30 pm
Paper due July 3, 2020 by 4:00 pm

**CML 2741 Philosophie du droit (Professeur Stéphane Sérafin) – 6 mai au 24 juin 2020**

**Ce cours commence le 6 mai 2020. Veuillez vous inscrire avant le 1er mai.**

Mercredi 17h30 à 20h30

**Description :**
Introduction aux grands thèmes de philosophie du droit, par exemple, le concept du droit, le concept d’un système juridique, et le phénomène de décision judiciaire. Introduction aux points de vue critiques. Introduction aux penseurs les plus importants en philosophie du droit.

**Méthode d’enseignement :**
Dans un premier temps, le Professeur déposera des enregistrements sur Brightspace. Ces enregistrements auront comme objectif de contextualiser les lectures, d’exposer certains concepts de base et d’encourager certaines pistes de réflexion. Dans un deuxième temps, les étudiant(e)s seront appelé(e)s à s’exprimer, à commenter et à échanger sur les textes et les notions à l’étude pendant les sessions de groupe formelles tenues par l’entremise de Zoom Meeting.

**Méthode d’évaluation :**
Le cours comportera deux formes d’évaluation distinctes, soit deux travaux de réaction (750 mots chacun) pour 30% de votre note et un travail final (5 000 à 10 000 mots) pour 70% de votre note.
CML 3501 Droit international privé (Professeur Gabriel Poliquin) – 19 mai au 29 juin 2020

Lundi 9h30 à 12h30
Jeudi 9h30 à 12h30

Description:
Les règles qui déterminent l’effet qu’un tribunal de l’Ontario doit donner à des lois étrangères, à des actes exécutifs étrangers et à des jugements étrangers : les principes généraux et leur application dans les domaines des contrats, des délits et des quasi-délits, des biens et du droit de la famille.

Méthode d’enseignement :
Le cours sera enseigné à distance principalement via la plateforme Zoom à l’aide de diapositives Powerpoint. Les cours seront enregistrés et téléchargés sur la plateforme Brightspace pour référence. La plateforme Zoom permettra au professeur et aux étudiant.es d’échanger en direct et d’engager des discussions au sujet du matériel.

Méthode d’évaluation :
L’évaluation des étudiant.es se fera au moyen de 3 courts quiz valant 30 % de la note chacun. La participation des étudiant.es vaudra pour 10 % de la note. La participation des étudiant.es sera évaluée en fonction de l’assiduité aux cours et de la participation aux discussions en ligne.

Civil Law (DRC) Courses

Students in the English and French JD programs have the option of taking selected courses offered by the Civil Law Section (denoted by the course code DRC). These courses are conducted in French and they count as CML electives. We have coordinated with the Civil Law Section to reserve seats for Common Law students in the following summer courses:

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<td>DRC 4587A</td>
<td>Thème choisi en droit constitutionnel Standards constitutionnels mondiaux</td>
<td>May 4 to June 12</td>
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<td>Syllabus</td>
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<td>DRC 4731A</td>
<td>Enjeux socio juridiques de la pandémie de COVID-19</td>
<td>July 13 to August 24</td>
<td>Various</td>
<td>Syllabus</td>
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More information is available on the Civil Law Section website. Registration for Spring-Summer 2020 DRC courses is open now through uoZone. If you have any trouble registering, please contact the Common Law Student Centre.

Note that these DRC courses are being offered for registration in Spring-Summer 2020 only. In other words, you cannot complete these courses over the summer and apply the credits to Fall 2020 or Winter 2021. You will be charged Common Law tuition fees for the Spring-Summer 2020 session (and not Civil Law tuition fees, since students pay fees in the program they are enrolled in). Part-time tuition fees are based on the number of credits you register for. For more information about fees, please consult the uOttawa website.
Directed Research Projects (DRPs)

Some students may wish to pursue a Directed Research Project (DRP) over the summer, under the supervision of a Common Law professor. This year, on an exceptional basis, we are permitting students to complete all work towards a DRP during the summer, but apply the credits in Fall 2020 or Winter 2021. To register for a summer DRP, students must submit the [DRP Enrollment Form](#) to the Common Law Student Centre no later than June 8, 2020.

Please keep in mind that Common Law students may complete a maximum of two DRPs over the course of their JD studies.

Registration

In order to register for Spring-Summer 2020 courses, please read this Information Sheet carefully. You may then complete and submit our Online Registration Form. [CLICK HERE](#).

Registration will be available from April 27 to May 8, 2020. Once you submit your form, the team in the Common Law Student Centre will enroll you in your selected courses.

Students may register for a maximum of two courses (6 CR) over the summer. This includes the distance and online courses described in this information package, Directed Research Projects (DRPs), and Student-Proposed Internships (SPIs). Please note that the Faculty will cancel any course where there are fewer than 15 students enrolled.

When registering, students will have two options:

**Option 1: Applying the credits to either the Fall 2020 term or the Winter 2021 term**

Students will be permitted to apply the credits to either the Fall 2020 term or the Winter 2021 term. Students who apply the credits to the Fall 2020 or Winter 2021 term will not pay any additional fees for these courses, but rather will pay regular tuition for the 2020-2021 academic year.

Students should remember that a regular, full-time course-load is 5 courses (15 CR) for the Fall, 1 course (3 CR) for January, and 4 courses (12 CR) for the Winter. **Students are not permitted to “overload” or register for more than a full course-load, even if they have completed coursework over the summer.** For instance, if a student takes 3 CR over the summer, the student could apply those credits to Fall 2020 and take 4 courses (12 CR) from September to December, for a total of 15 CR allocated to the Fall 2020 semester.

**Option 2: Applying the credits to the Spring-Summer 2020 term**

Students also have the option of registering and paying for their course(s) in the Spring-Summer 2020 term. Students might choose this option for a number of reasons. For example, students...
would need to register for the Spring-Summer 2020 term if they plan to finish their JD requirements over the summer, and apply to graduate in November.

**If you apply the credits to the Spring-Summer 2020 term, you will be billed tuition fees during the Spring-Summer term, based on the number of credits you take.** For more information about uOttawa fees, please consult the university’s website.

If you need help with academic planning, please email the Common Law Student Centre at clawacad@uOttawa.ca to book an advising session with Jenna Doucet (Academic Advisor) or Jessica Simon (Equity and Wellness Counsellor).

### Tuition Fees and Financial Considerations

As described above, we are giving Common Law students the option of completing work this summer, but applying credits in Fall 2020 or Winter 2021. In this way, you can reduce your effective workload during the 2020-2021 academic year, while still paying regular tuition fees for the year.

It is your responsibility to familiarize yourself with the academic and financial implications of your course selection. For instance, if you apply your credits to Fall 2020 or Winter 2021, you will not be officially registered in any courses during the Spring-Summer 2020 semester. As such, you will not be eligible for OSAP or other government financial aid during the summer months. If you are a part-time student, you should also carefully consider how your allocation of credits may impact your tuition fees and your eligibility to receive OSAP or other government financial aid.

Some specific facts to keep in mind:

- The definition of “full-time studies” is different for uOttawa versus OSAP.
- Under uOttawa regulations, students taking 12 CR or more during a given semester are considered full-time, and therefore pay full-time fees. For more information about uOttawa fees, please consult the university’s website.
- For OSAP purposes, you are generally considered a full-time student if you are taking 60% (or more) of a full course load. There are some exceptions for students with a permanent disability. A full course load for upper-year CML students is 15 CR in the Fall and 15 CR in January and Winter combined. As such, if you register for fewer than 9 CR in a semester, your OSAP status may be affected.
- For further details, please consult the Government of Ontario’s online information regarding OSAP. The uOttawa Financial Aid and Awards Service oversees all OSAP applications. They have information about applying for OSAP on their website.

If you have questions or require help with financial planning, please email our Financial Aid Administrator, Tara Côté, at tara.cote@uOttawa.ca, to book a remote appointment.
Important Dates

April 27-May 8: Registration for most CML summer courses
May 1: Deadline to register for CML 2741 Philosophie du droit
May 6-June 24: Course period for CML 2741 Philosophie du droit
May 19-June 29: Courses run 6 hours per week, for a total of 36 hours
June 8: Deadline to submit Directed Research Project (DRP) form
July 2-July 6: Exams and assignments due
September 16: Grades are posted