

## FALL SEMESTER 2003 COURSE OUTLINE

**EDUC 446-4 (EDUCATION)**  
**LAW FOR THE CLASSROOM TEACHER**  
 C01.00



During the course, you will learn about the Canadian legal system, have the opportunity to do some legal research online, and practise solving legal problems. You will also look at several areas of substantive law.

*Prerequisite:* 60 credit hours.

**TEXT(S):**

Yates, R. and Bain, P.. *Introduction to Law in Canada* (2nd ed.). Prentice-Hall, 2000.

<b>REQUIREMENTS:</b>	Assignment 1: 750 – 1,000 word essay	15%
	Assignment 2: 500 word case brief	15%
	Assignment 3: 500 – 750 word essay	15%
	Assignment 4: 1,000 word essay	15%
	Assignment 5: group classroom project	30%
	Participation	10%

**DELIVERY MODE:** print  
 FirstClass (mandatory)  
 Knowledge Network (optional)  
 Library support (optional)

<b>SUPPLEMENTARY FEES:</b>	Course materials and service fee	\$40.00
	Deposit for additional materials	\$0.00

If one or more of these symbols appear at the top of this page, it indicates an equipment requirement :

computer (see over)	CD player	TV (Knowledge Network)
internet access	Audio cassette player	telephone (teleconference)
email	VCR	

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 Toll free in BC: 1-800-663-1411  
 Fax: 604-291-4964  
 Website: [www.sfu.ca/cde](http://www.sfu.ca/cde)

## Computer Requirements: FirstClass

- This course requires active online participation in *FirstClass* (an online computer conferencing tool).
- On-campus computer facilities are available. If you are using your own computer, these are the *minimum computer requirements*:

### Hardware

- ❑ PC with *Windows 95* or later OR Mac with *System 8.6* or later
- ❑ 10 MB RAM
- ❑ 6 MB free disk space
- ❑ 28.8-baud modem (56 K or higher is recommended)
- ❑ CD ROM drive

### Software & Other

- ❑ Internet connection
- ❑ *FirstClass* software (described and provided in your course materials)

### FirstClass Access & Accounts

- Access to *FirstClass* begins the week before classes begin.
- **SFU students:** Use your SFU computing account ID and password to log into *FirstClass*. If you don't have an SFU computing ID, get it online at <<http://my.sfu.ca>>.
- **OU students:** Your *FirstClass* ID consists of the letters "ou" followed by your first and last names. Letters should be all together, in lower case, with no spaces in between (e.g., John Doe's ID would be *oujohndoe*). Your password is your OU student number.

### Connecting to the Internet from Home

- You are responsible for setting up your connection, either through SFU or your own external Internet service provider (ISP) (e.g., Telus, Shaw, etc).
- For information on Internet service available through SFU, please consult the Academic Computing Services (ACS) web site: <<http://www.sfu.ca/acs/modems/index.htm>>.
- The subsidized modem hours allotted to you (four hours of access per credit hour) may not be sufficient to complete the required course work.
- A voucher system has been implemented to allow students to pay for continued modem access on 604-677-6678 (after your subsidized access is used up). Vouchers may be purchased from campus bookstores in increments of \$20. At 60 cents per hour, each voucher is good for approximately 33 hours. Instructions are included with the voucher. See <<http://www.sfu.ca/acs/modems/index.htm>> for more information.

### General

- Prior computer knowledge is expected (i.e. ability to save files, install programs, and maintain your computer). Familiarity with the Internet, e-mail, and related applications is strongly recommended.
- Support is not available for general computer problems (e.g., operating system, hardware).

### Need help?

- *FirstClass* support: <[help@firstclass.sfu.ca](mailto:help@firstclass.sfu.ca)> or 604-291-5575
- Help with SFU computing accounts: <[help@sfu.ca](mailto:help@sfu.ca)>, 604-291-3230, or visit AQ 3148

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In order to complete the course requirements, students will need access to the Internet, and will learn FirstClass, the program used to gain access to course readings, communicate with the tutor/marker, and collaborate with student colleagues.

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**PLEASE NOTE:** This course is delivered online using a computer conferencing system called FirstClass Intranet Client. Access to a computer and modem is required. Please see reverse for details.

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Assignment 3 – 500 – 750 word essay	15%
Assignment 4 – 1000 word paper	15%
Assignment 5 – group classroom project	30%
Participation –	10%

Please note that collaborative work is required for some assignments.

**SUPPLEMENTARY FEES:** Course Materials & Service Fee \$30

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<http://www.sfu.ca/acs>

Phone numbers for ACS are 291-3234 (Burnaby) or 291-5030 (Harbour Centre).

2. On-campus computer facilities are available. If you are using your own computer, **Minimum Computer Requirements** are:

### *Hardware*

- Macintosh running System 7.1 or higher OR PC with Windows 95/98/NT
- 16 MB RAM
- 10 MB free disk space
- 28.8 baud modem
- Internet Connection
- CD-ROM drive

### *Software*

- Email (e.g. Eudora, Outlook Express or equivalent)
- Internet Browser (e.g. Netscape or Internet Explorer)
- FirstClass Conferencing System (available free of charge to students registered in this course)\*

\*Described in course materials

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- Prior computer knowledge is expected (i.e. ability to save files, install programs and maintain your computer).
- Familiarity with the internet and related applications is highly recommended.

### 3. Please Note:

- Support for general computer problems such as operating system difficulties and hardware problems is not available.
- If you are having problems getting started with FirstClass, you may drop in to Teaching and Learning Technologies (WMC 1340) from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM during the first week of classes. Students enrolled in Distance Education courses and unable to access the Burnaby campus may email [help@firstclass.sfu.ca](mailto:help@firstclass.sfu.ca) for assistance.
- The subsidized modem hours allotted to students each semester are not normally sufficient to complete the required course work.
  - A voucher system has been implemented to allow students to pay for continued modem access on 291-4721 (after your subsidized access is used up). Vouchers may be purchased from the campus bookstores and are sold in increments of \$20. At 60 cents/hour, each voucher is good for approximately 33 hours. Instructions are included with the voucher.
  - For complete information on SFU's Modem Access Policy, check the ACS web site above.
  - **Out of town students only:** It is recommended that students residing outside the Lower Mainland contact a local Internet Service Provider (ISP) since using SFU dialup services will result in additional long-distance charges. Check your local yellow pages under "Internet" for listings.

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### **COURSE REQUIREMENTS:**

Five assignments worth 15% each, one assignment worth 20%, and the remaining 5% will be based on your own evaluation of the course, the student collaboration process, and the tutor/marker's assessment of your participation in that process.

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3. **Please Note:**

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### REQUIRED TEXTS:

Case, Roland et al, *Understanding Charter Decisions: A Guide to Judicial Reasoning and the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms*, 1989.

British Columbia Ministry of Education, *Law 12 Graduation Program Curriculum Guide*, 1997.

Yates, R., Yates, R. & Bain, P. *An Introduction to Law in Canada (2<sup>nd</sup> ed.)*, 2000.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Access to an audio cassette player is required.

### COURSE REQUIREMENTS:

Students must complete seven assignments, which involve five biweekly written responses to unit readings and audio lectures, one community activity report, and a 10 - 15 page legal research report.

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