

EDUCATION 487-4
Special Topics: Law for the Classroom Teacher

Summer Session 1985
Mon. & Wed., 6:00 - 9:50 p.m.

Instructor: Terri Sussel
Location: MPX 9511/12

Course Description:

The course will provide a comprehensive introduction to law and the legal process. The basic divisions or components of the law will be examined, including: (1) civil law (e.g. torts, contracts, property); (2) criminal law and procedure; (3) constitutional law; (4) family law; (5) administrative law, and; (6) consumer law. Special emphasis will be placed on recent changes in the Canadian legal and constitutional system, especially as they pertain to major issues facing Canadian educators. The course will also offer a basic survey of legal history, legal research skills, and case law technique.

Prerequisite:

Education 401/2 or the equivalent of a first year practicum.

Course Readings: (for purchase)

Gerald Gall, The Canadian Legal System, (1983) (2nd edition)

Anthony Lewis, Gideon's Trumpet (1963) (current edition)

"Legal Workbook/Casebook for Teachers" (distributed in class)

(On reserve for selected use.)

Harold J. Berman, Law and Revolution, (1983)

J.H. Baker, An Introduction to English Legal History, (1979)

P.S. Atiyah, Law and Modern Society, (1983)

Edward McWhinney, Canada and the Constitution, Patriation and the Charter of Rights, (1982)

M.E. Manley-Casimir and T.A. Sussel, Courts in the Classroom: Educational Change and the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms, (1985).

Course Organization:

Two 4-hour class meetings per week which will include lectures, class discussion and audio visual presentations.

Course Requirements:

Students will be graded on class participation (30%), a class report (30%) and a final take home exam (40%).