

Allard School of Law: 2023-2024 First Year Assignment Schedule

Last updated December 7, 2023; this schedule is subject to change during the academic year

TERM 1

Tues, Sept 5	Classes Begin (all years)
<i>Note: Assignment distribution and due dates may vary by section number as some sections are taught on different days.</i>	
Mon, Oct 2	Day off in recognition of Truth & Reconciliation Day on Sept 30; no classes
Mon, Oct 9	Thanksgiving; no classes
Thurs, Oct 12	Make-Up Monday; All Thursday classes cancelled. Monday classes (ISLR) meet.
Mon, Oct 16	Indigenous Settler Legal Relations - Critical Self-Reflection Distributed
Tues or Thurs, Oct 17 or 19	Legal Research & Writing - Assignment 1 Distributed
Tues or Thurs, Oct 24 or 26	Legal Research & Writing - Assignment 1 Due
Mon, Oct 30	Indigenous Settler Legal Relations - Critical Self-Reflection Assignment Due
Mon, Nov 6	Indigenous Settler Legal Relations - Final Assignment Distributed
Mon, Nov 13 - Wed, Nov 14	Fall Study Break; no classes
Tues or Thurs, Nov 21 and 23	Legal Research & Writing - Assignment 2 Distributed
Tues or Thurs, Nov 28 and 30	Legal Research & Writing - Assignment 2 Due
Mon, Dec 4	Indigenous Settler Legal Relations - Final Assignment Due
Thurs, Dec 7	Last Day of Law Classes
December 11-22	Final Exam Period. First-Year Exam Dates
Mon Dec 11	Law 241 Torts
Wed Dec 13	Law 231 Property
Fri Dec 15	Law 211 Contracts
Mon Dec 18	Law 221 Criminal Law

TERM 2

Mon, Jan 8	Classes begin (all years)
Tues, Jan 9	Lecture: Introduction to Mooting (Lew Forum): 12:45pm; Mandatory for All Advocacy Students
Wed, Jan 10	Advocacy - Moot Problem Distributed to Students
Thurs, Jan 11	Lecture: Factum Writing (Lew Forum): 12:45pm; Mandatory for All Advocacy Students
Wed, Jan 17, 7:00-8:30pm	Drop-in Advocacy Support with Prof Martz (Appellants)
Mon, Jan 22, 2:00-3:30pm	Drop-in Advocacy Support with Prof Martz (Appellants)
Tues, Jan 23 @ 4:30pm	Advocacy - Appellants' Factums Filed and Served Electronically to Moot Court Registrars
Wed, Jan 24, 7:00-8:30pm	Drop-in Advocacy Support with Prof Martz (Respondents)
Mon, Jan 29, 2:00-3:30pm	Drop-in Advocacy Support with Prof Martz (Respondents)
Wed, Jan 31 @ 4:30pm	Advocacy - Respondents' Factums Filed and Served Electronically to Moot Court Registrars
Thurs, Feb 1	Lecture: Oral Advocacy (Lew Forum): 12:45pm; Mandatory for All Advocacy Students
Wed, Feb 7	Demonstration Moot & FAQ session (Lew Forum): 12:45pm; Optional for All Advocacy Students
Mon, February 12	Advocacy - Moots (Curtis)
Tues, February 13	Advocacy - Moots (Gee)
Wed, February 14	Advocacy - Moots (Proud)
Thurs, February 15	Advocacy - Moots (Scow)
Mon, Feb 19 - Fri, Feb 23	Family Day & Reading Break; no classes
Week of March 18	Advocacy Factums Returned to Students
March 29 - April 1	Easter Break; no classes
Wed, April 12	Last Day of Law Classes
Apr 16-27	Final Exam Period. First-Year Exam Dates.
Tues, April 16	Law 211 Contracts
Thurs, April 18	Law 241 Torts
Sat, April 20	Law 271 Introduction to Public Law & Charter
Mon, April 22	Law 221 Criminal
Wed, April 24	Law 231 Property
Fri, April 26	Law 291 Aboriginal & Treaty Rights

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Assessment Details & Mark Allocations

Indigenous Settler Legal Relations Assessment:

Critical Self-Reflection – Pass/Fail. 30% of final grade.

Final Paper – Graded. 70% of final grade

Legal Research & Writing Assessment:

Assignment 1 – Graded on a pass/fail basis where the passing threshold is 64% (C+). Only a pass/fail grade will be given on this assignment (i.e., no percentage or letter grade will be given). If a student fails the assignment, they must redo the assignment based on instructor feedback. The redone assignment will be due one week after the original assignment is returned to the student. If a student fails the redone assignment, their final mark in the course will be reduced by 5%.

Assignment 2 – 100% of total mark in the course (subject to Assignment 1 assessment outcome).

Advocacy Factum & Moot Assessment:

This is a pass/fail assignment. Students will work in pairs and be marked primarily on their assigned issue, but consideration will also be given to the joint areas of the factum. Where a student receives a failing mark for their factum, they must meet with the professor and then redraft the relevant section of the factum. The student's redrafted section is due ten days after the factum is returned to the class. If the redrafted factum is not of passing quality, the student will continue to work with their professor and resubmit their factum until a passing mark is achieved. To receive a pass in the course, students are required to complete and pass the factum and moot components. Students who are unable to attend their moot due to illness or require an accommodation should contact the Manager, Student Affairs, Barbara Wang.

Introduction to Public Law & the Charter

Participation is a component of the mark in this course. The final exam is worth 100% of the final grade subject to a deduction of 5 marks if a student fails participation. For example, 75/100 Exam Score - Failed Participation (5 Marks) = 70 Final Grade. The format of the participation assessment varies by instructor.

December Practice Exams in Full-Year courses:

If the December Practice Exam Mark in a full-year course is less than or equal to the April Exam Mark, then the April Exam mark equals the Overall Exam Mark. Otherwise, if the December Practice Exam Mark is greater than the April Exam Mark, then 25% of the December Practice Exam Mark plus 75% of the April Exam Mark equals the Overall Exam Mark.

Academic Concessions:

Students requiring academic concessions or accommodations should review the online Allard School of Law policies: <https://allard.ubc.ca/student-portal/academic-concessions-accommodations>.