

**FACULTY OF LAW, UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA**  
**2011-12 COURSE REGISTRATION – PRELIMINARY COURSE INFORMATION<sup>1</sup>**

<b>COURSE</b>	Law 328 Green Legal Theory
<b>UNIT VALUE</b>	1.5 Units (3 hours of instruction per week)
<b>INSTRUCTOR</b>	Michael M'Gonigle
<b>TERM OFFERED</b>	Spring 2012
<b>CLASS TIMES</b>	See schedule
<b>PREREQUISITES/CO-REQUISITES</b>	Law 329 Environmental Law is a <u>recommended</u> (NOT required) pre- or co-requisite; cross listed ES 419

## **COURSE OBJECTIVES**

This course is an exploration of green legal theory (GLT), a concept that is not yet articulated in the legal literature. Unlike Environmental Law (which is a subset of state law) GLT emanates from a broader, critical perspective on social organization. This critique addresses especially the nature of the modern state and its legal system, neither of which has anywhere been up to the tasks of halting large-scale environmental decline, let alone creating a green society. This course will actively develop GLT by exploring the “state of the art” in the diverse theoretical literatures that touch on it. This exploration will be the focus of individual student research papers. This is a strongly theoretical and research-oriented course that will reward those excited to explore the foundations of the environmental/legal problematic and its implications for transformative theory (and practice).

## **COURSE METHODOLOGY**

Introductory lectures, seminars under the direction of student groups

## **COURSE EVALUATION**

Class Participation and Presentation	40%
Paper	60%

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<sup>1</sup> The information in this document is provided for course registration purposes only and is **subject to change**. More detailed course information about course content and evaluation will be provided upon the commencement of the course. Students seeking additional information about the course prior to its commencement may contact the instructor or, if no instructor is listed, the Manager of Academic Administration and Student Services ([lawmaass@uvic.ca](mailto:lawmaass@uvic.ca)).