

FACULTY OF LAW, UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA
2011-12 COURSE REGISTRATION – PRELIMINARY COURSE INFORMATION¹

COURSE	Law 343 A01 Advanced Administrative Law
UNIT VALUE	1.5 Units (3 hours of instruction per week)
INSTRUCTOR	Cheryl Crane
TERM OFFERED	Spring 2012
CLASS TIMES	See Schedule
ENROLLMENT LIMIT	18 students
PREREQUISITES/CO-REQUISITES	Law 301 Administrative Law is a required pre-requisite

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course will examine selected topics in Administrative Law. It will build on the knowledge gained in Law 301 Administrative Law and will focus primarily on subject matters that either are not covered in Law 301, or that are covered in that course in a less in-depth manner. While the specific subject-matter of the course is subject to change, topics are expected to include, for example:

- the role and impact of the rule of law and separation of powers principles in administrative law;
- the issue of independence for administrative tribunals, and methods used to enhance independence;
- recent developments in relation to the standard of review in the context of substantive judicial review;
- problems in relation to the control and structuring of administrative discretion, including the role of “soft law”;
- the special role and function of commissions of inquiry in Canada;
- the use of dispute resolution methods other than adjudication by administrative tribunals; and
- recent reform initiatives in administrative law, including the operation and effectiveness of statutory measures such as the *Administrative Tribunals Act* in British Columbia.

METHODOLOGY

This will be a seminar class in which students will be expected to participate actively in class discussion based on the assigned readings for each class.

EVALUATION

Evaluation will consist primarily of a research paper. Class presentation of the paper will also be required and evaluated.

Students will be expected to participate actively in class discussion of the readings, and a portion of the final grade may be allocated to class participation.

Assignments designed to promote student participation, such as written comments on the readings or other techniques, may be included as part of the evaluation for the course.

A limited number of students in the course will be able, with the prior permission of the instructor, to write a paper that will meet the Faculty's major paper requirement.

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¹ 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).