

Law 337 Dispute Resolution: Theory and Practice Evaluation Information Sheet

There are 3 evaluation components in this course. Each component is designed to test your learning in the course relating to specific objectives. Collectively the evaluations will allow you to demonstrate a broad proficiency in the ADR field.

1. ADR Analysis and Application Memo (40%)

With greater knowledge in Alternative Dispute Resolution or ADR, lawyers and others are able to analyze disputes. The results of an ADR analysis can be applied to help disputants and their lawyers answer important questions, make critical decisions about what to do next in the dispute and, importantly, determine how a problem might best be resolved. By applying the theories, concepts and skills from the ADR field, one is able to better understand what is really going on with a problem and how best to intervene. An ADR analysis is essential to the modern lawyer's role, whether the lawyer is retained to solve an existing problem for a client or plan a future transaction.

The **ADR Analysis and Application Memo** assignment will give you an opportunity to apply the theories, concepts and skills covered in this course to a practical legal problem. The problem will be distributed early in the term. The approach to completing the assignment, memo structure, and the specific criteria for the evaluation will be based on materials covered in class.

When you have completed this assignment you will find your approach to any problem you encounter in the future should be changed and improved.

Memo length-no more than 10 pages, double spaced, font 12. Information on memos outside these limits will not be graded. You need to be succinct in your legal writing!

The memo is due no later than Thursday, November 17, 2011 at start of class. Please use mid-term code names. No late submissions please. Memo mark reduced by 5% for each day or part day late.

2. In Class Test (40%)

There will be an open-book, in class test on **Tuesday, November 15, 2011**. This test will evaluate your working familiarity with the text materials covered. Please use mid-

term code names.

3. ADR in Practice (20%)

There will be an ADR in Practice simulation exercise from November 17-December 1. The simulation exercise will involve a dispute in which you will be a member of a team of lawyers acting for parties involved in the dispute. The simulation will give you opportunities to practice and apply the ADR knowledge, concepts, and skills learned in the course in the context of a “real” dispute.

*Please see Faculty of Law – Letter Grade Equivalences for information on letter grades used in the Faculty of Law and narrative descriptions of levels of student achievement associated with letter grades

***Plagiarism and Cheating**

Please remember that plagiarism or cheating in a Law School is unethical academic behavior and is subject to penalty. If you have any questions as to what constitutes plagiarism or cheating in a Law Faculty consult the University Calendar or do not hesitate to speak to the Instructor.