

SAMPLE COURSE OUTLINE

Course Code, Number, and Title:

JOUR 2228: Journalism Law

Course Format:

[Course format may vary by instructor. The typical course format would be:]

Lecture 2 h + Seminar 0 h + Lab 0 h

Credits: 1.5

Transfer credit: For information, visit bctransferguide.ca

Course Description, Prerequisites, Corequisites:

An examination of the legal system as it pertains to journalism. An introduction to covering the courts and to the laws that affect the working journalist, including libel, contempt of court, freedom of information and privacy.

Prerequisites and Corequisites unavailable, please consult Department for details

Learning Outcomes:

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

- protect themselves legally as journalists
- adhere to the rules and regulations regarding covering court and criminal investigations
- distinguish among the levels of courts in B.C. and in Canada
- describe the differences between civil and criminal law
- comply with the rules surrounding 'contempt of court'
- explain why publication bans are imposed by a judge
- write a court story after covering a case in person
- write about a criminal investigation both before and after charges
- identify defences against libel
- distinguish between fair dealing and copyright violation
- outline their legal obligations about online reporting, use of social media

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Textbook and Course Materials:

[Textbook selection may vary by instructor. An example of texts and course materials for this course might be:]

For textbook information, visit https://mycampusstore.langara.bc.ca/buy_courselisting.asp?selTerm=3|8

Note: This course may use an electronic (online) instructional resource that is located outside of Canada for mandatory graded class work. You may be required to enter personal information, such as your name and email address, to log in to this resource. This means that your personal information could be stored on servers located outside of Canada and may be accessed by U.S. authorities, subject to federal laws. Where possible, you may log in with an email pseudonym as long as you provide the pseudonym to me so I can identify you when reviewing your class work.

Assessments and Weighting:

Final Exam %

Other Assessments %

(An example of other assessments might be:) %

Information currently unavailable, please consult Department for details

Grading System:

Specific grading schemes will be detailed in each course section outline.

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Topics Covered:

[Topics covered may vary by instructor. An example of topics covered might be:]

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As a student at Langara, you are responsible for familiarizing yourself and complying with the following policies:

College Policies:

[E1003 - Student Code of Conduct](#)

[F1004 - Code of Academic Conduct](#)

[E2008 - Academic Standing - Academic Probation and Academic Suspension](#)

[E2006 - Appeal of Final Grade](#)

[F1002 - Concerns about Instruction](#)

[E2011 - Withdrawal from Courses](#)

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Departmental/Course Policies:

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