FACULTY OF LAW, UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA 2023-24 COURSE REGISTRATION – PRELIMINARY COURSE INFORMATION SUMMARY¹

COURSE LAW 360 Legal Ethics and Professionalism

UNIT VALUE 1.5 Units (3 hours of instruction per week)

INSTRUCTOR Pooja Parmar

TERM OFFERED Fall 2023

CLASS TIMES See Schedule

PREREQUISITES/COREQUISITES LAW 360 is a required course for the JD and JD/JID.

DESCRIPTON

This course examines the ethical and professional dimensions of the practice of law including the meaning of lawyers' ethics and the nature of professional responsibility. The course offers an opportunity to acquire the knowledge and skills needed to identify and address ethical dilemmas that arise in the legal profession, and considers topics such as regulation of the legal profession, the role and responsibilities of members of the legal profession in society, the nature and scope of their duties; admission to and regulation of the practice of law, critical issues affecting the legal profession and critical thinking about legal ethics and professionalism.

TEACHING METHODOLOGY

Lectures, small group discussions, exercises, and activities designed to achieve the course objectives. Readings will introduce and explore related issues, and set the tone for discussions within the group and with guest speakers. Guest lecturers from the profession will contribute their expertise.

The course is designed to satisfy the graduation requirements for call to the profession set by the Federation of Law Societies of Canada.

EXPECTED EVALUATION METHODOLOGY

NB: this is preliminary and could change

The class is marked on a pass / fail basis. A student must pass each of the evaluative segments in order to pass the course.

Class participation: Students are required to attend all classes and participate in group exercises and class discussions.

Written assignments and quizzes.

Class presentation: Students are required to prepare and present to the class on a topic chosen from a list of issues. This includes timely submission of a written outline for the presentation.

There is no final exam.

June 2023

¹The 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, Law Student Services (law.studentservices@uvic.ca)