

FACULTY OF LAW, UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA
2023-2024 COURSE REGISTRATION - PRELIMINARY COURSE INFORMATION¹

COURSE	LAW 344 Insurance
UNIT VALUE	1.5 Units (3 hours of instruction per week)
INSTRUCTOR	Laura Miller
TERM OFFERED	Spring 2024
CLASS TIMES	See Schedule
PREREQUISITES/COREQUISITES	LAW 105/105I Contracts is a required prerequisite for LAW 344 LAW 109/109I Torts is a required prerequisite for LAW 344

OBJECTIVES AND COURSE DESCRIPTION

The course examines the theory and elements of the practice of insurance law, with reference to the most common forms of both first party and third party (liability) insurance: property, life, accident and sickness, and motor vehicle insurance. The course provides insight into the structure and substance of the operation of this specialized area of contract law, how it furthers the goal of consumer protection while ensuring the viability of the insurance system. The major educational goals for this course include:

- To gain an appreciation of the principles of insurance law and the particular operation of contract law in the insurance context;
- To develop ability to analyze insurance problems and apply legal doctrine and policy considerations to them;
- To acquire insight into the structure and substance of insurance policies;
- To evaluate the effectiveness of legislation in regulating the insurance industry and promoting consumer protection.

METHODOLOGY

This is principally a lecture course. There will also be class discussions to give students opportunities to critically reflect on the readings and apply skills and knowledge acquired in the course to solve practical problems. There is no mark for class participation. However, students are encouraged to participate in class discussions to help the instructor to gauge students' understanding of the materials and address potential concerns, if any.

EXPECTED EVALUATION METHODOLOGY (SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

1. Attendance 5%
2. Mid-term examination or assignment(s): 35%
3. Final examination: 60%

December 2023

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