

FACULTY OF LAW, UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA
2023-24 COURSE REGISTRATION – PRELIMINARY COURSE INFORMATION¹

COURSE	LAW 360 Legal Ethics and Professionalism
UNIT VALUE	1.5 Units (3 hours per week)
INSTRUCTOR	Alan Treleaven
TERM OFFERED	Spring 2024
CLASS TIMES	See Schedule
PREREQUISITES/COREQUISITES	LAW 360 is a required course for the JD and JD/JID degrees

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course examines the ethical and professional dimensions of the practice of law, including the meaning and practical application of lawyers' ethical obligations and professional responsibility. The course offers an opportunity to develop, challenge and apply student's views of what it means to be a lawyer, and acquire the knowledge and skills needed to identify and address ethical dilemmas that arise in the legal profession. Topics covered include admission to and regulation of the practice of law, the role and responsibilities of members of the legal profession in society, the nature and scope of lawyers' duties, the lawyer-client relationship, critical contemporary issues impacting the legal profession, ethical practice in multi-juridical Canada, and ethics in selected practice areas. The course is designed to satisfy the graduation requirements for call to the profession set by the Federation of Law Societies of Canada.

TEACHING METHODOLOGY

Classes include lectures, discussions, exercises, presentations, and other activities designed to achieve the course objectives. Readings introduce and explore related issues and provide a basis for discussion. Visiting instructors from the practicing bar will contribute their expertise.

EVALUATION METHODOLOGY

Students are marked on a pass / fail basis.

Students must pass each of the evaluative segments to pass the course, including written assignments and small group presentations.

Attendance is mandatory (with approved exceptions, to be specified at the beginning of the course).

Students are expected to participate in group exercises and class discussions and contribute to an inclusive and respectful classroom environment.

There is no mid-term or final examination.

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