Winter Session 2020-2021

Planning and Course Selection Guide
For UVIC LAW JD* Students

- 2L and 3L JD students
- 2L JD transfer students
- BCL/JD students

* For information regarding JD/JID registration, please see the JD/JID Registration Guide

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General Information

Due to COVID 19, all fall 2020 term courses will be conducted online. No classes will be held within the University of Victoria Fraser Law building. At the time of writing this guide, it is unknown whether the spring 2021 term will be conducted online, face to face, or a combination of both.

We acknowledge that these past few month have been challenging, and that students are returning to school carrying diverse forms of trauma. Our goal over the coming months is to work together as a community in new ways, given that we are all likely to be separated geographically for some time to come.

Plans are underway for the university to replace CourseSpaces with the learning management system Brightspace. All courses will be offered via UVic supported platforms such as Brightspace and Zoom and must be accessed using your NetLink ID (see Appendix).

Law students can register for upper year courses in June 2020 through UVic My Page. If you are eligible for second or third-year law you will be automatically authorized to register in the 2020-21 Winter Session.

This guide, accompanied by the faculty timetables, schedules and websites (law and UVic) will give you detailed information on the course offerings, faculty regulations and important dates. Please review all information thoroughly prior to registration. Course information is here: http://www.uvic.ca/law/jd/courseregistration/index.php

If you have questions, contact Yvonne Lawson, Manager, Academic and Students at 250-721-8153 or lawmaass@uvic.ca.

Registration Dates

Tuesday, June 16, 2020  Planning and Course Selection Information Session 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m., via Zoom  Associate Dean, Academic and Student Relations, Gillian Calder  Associate Dean, Administration and Research, Freya Kodar  Manager, Academic and Students, Yvonne Lawson

Wednesday, June 17, 2020  Deadline for LAW 350 Law Centre Lottery, 12:00 noon

Tuesday, June 23, 2020  Day 1 Registration: Third-Year JD Students  Registration opens for students starting or continuing in third year of the JD in September 2020  Registration will open at 8:00 a.m. PT and remain open

Wednesday, June 24, 2020  Day 2 Registration: Second-Year JD Students  Registration opens for students starting or continuing in second year of the JD in September 2020  Registration will open at 8:00 a.m. PT and remain open

Thursday, June 25, 2020  At 8:00 am PT, Co-op Students may register in back-up courses
Planning and Course Selection

This section lists some general information about the Faculty of Law program requirements. A full description of program requirements is available in the UVic Calendar. It is your responsibility to ensure that your program meets the University of Victoria’s and the Faculty of Law’s requirements, regulations, policies and procedures as stated in the University of Victoria Calendar and on the faculty’s website under Student and Academic Matters.

**Unit Requirements for Each of Second and Third Year and Per Term**

Full-time 2L and 3L law students must take a minimum of 14.5 units to a maximum of 16.5 units in each academic year. The academic year consists of the two terms that make up a student’s second or third year of law. The academic year will often consist of winter session courses (fall and spring terms), but this will vary for law co-op students and other students that choose to participate in summer term or stop out.

Full-time students may not register in fewer than 7.0 units or more than 8.5 units in a term. Part-time students must take a minimum of 3.0 units each term. Students hoping to depart from these registration requirements must request permission from the Associate Dean Academic and Student Relations (lawassoc@uvic.ca).

Students must take a minimum of 29.0 to a maximum of 33.0 upper year units. Students may not return for additional academic terms if they have completed the required 29 upper year units, their compulsory courses, and their major paper.

**Workload**

Students should expect to be assigned 20 to 30 pages of reading per scheduled class hour for each course. You can expect a weekly total of 300 to 500 pages of reading each week. Some readings are quick and easily understood and some will require a slow and detailed reading. There may also be differences in teaching styles, course materials and content, assigned readings and evaluation methods among sections of each course. Details about workload expectations and online components of each course will be made available in course descriptions and/or on associated CourseSpaces sites.

It is expected that workload expectations will shift due to online learning. However, the expectations around the volume of reading will stay the same.

**Course Information and Counselling**

The elective program in the upper years of the JD program requires informed course counselling and course selection. Students may draw on the following resources when making course selection decisions:

- Course timetables and examination schedules
- Preliminary Course Information Summaries (PCIS)
• Course Offering Patterns Guide
• The Associate Dean, Academic and Student Relations
• The Associate Dean, Administration and Research
• The Manager, Academic Administration and Student Services
• Faculty members

Preliminary Course Information Summaries (PCIS)

For each course, a Preliminary Course Information Summary (PCIS) will be posted on the Faculty of Law website prior to registration: http://www.uvic.ca/law/jd/courseregistration/pcisindex.php. PCIS are intended to help you with your course selection decisions. PCIS are to be used as a guideline only and are subject to change. Course descriptions will be posted on CourseSpaces and will be available to registered students at the start of term.

Course Prerequisites and Corequisites

Several upper year law courses have required pre- or corequisite law courses. This should be considered during your course planning. Students must not register in courses for which they do not have the required pre- or corequisites. If you register in a course and are missing the required pre- or corequisites, you will not be permitted to remain in the course. The compulsory first-year law curriculum is considered to be a prerequisite for upper-year courses. Review the Course Prerequisites and Corequisites table within this guide.

Examination Schedules

Examination schedules for fall 2020 and spring 2021 terms will be posted prior to registration beginning. This section of the guide will be updated at that time.

All fall 2020 examinations will be conducted online. At the time of writing this guide, it is unknown whether spring 2021 examinations will be conducted online or face to face.

It is the student’s responsibility to not schedule travel or other commitments that would interfere with the fall and spring examination periods:

• Fall examinations: Monday, December 7 to Monday, December 21, 2020
• Spring examinations: Monday, April 12 to Monday, April 26, 2021

Cancellation or Rescheduling of Courses

Any course or program may be cancelled or rescheduled due to insufficient enrollment or other administrative circumstances. New course restrictions or prerequisites may also be imposed.

Enrollment Limitations

Courses and seminars have enrollment limitations that are listed under the heading “Cap” on the Course Schedules. The Faculty of Law reserves the right to place a cap on any course for pedagogical reasons or due to space limitations. Students should not expect course caps to be raised when courses are oversubscribed or because they are being offered online.
Compulsory Upper-Year Courses

In order to graduate, all students must successfully complete the Faculty's major research paper requirement.

Students who commenced the JD program between September 2012 and September 2018 must also successfully complete the following compulsory upper-level courses: LAW 301 The Administrative Law Process, LAW 315 Business Associations, and LAW 360 Legal Ethics and Professionalism, or equivalent courses approved by the Associate Dean, Academic and Student Relations in advance of students enrolling in the course as a means of satisfying the Federation of Law Societies of Canada's requirements.

Students who commenced the JD program in September 2019 or later must also successfully complete the compulsory upper-level courses: LAW 301 The Administrative Law Process and LAW 360 Legal Ethics and Professionalism, or equivalent courses approved by the Associate Dean, Academic and Student Relations in advance of students enrolling in the course, as a means of satisfying the Federation of Law Societies of Canada’s requirements.

Major Research Paper Requirement

During the upper years of the program, all students must fulfill the “major research paper” requirement. A major research paper is a legal research paper of no fewer than 7,500 words (exclusive of footnotes and bibliography) on an approved subject which counts for at least 50% of the grade in a course and on which the student achieves a minimum grade of 65%. The major research paper requirement may be satisfied by:

1. writing a major research paper in a course (where permitted by the instructor) under the Faculty regulations governing such papers; OR
2. successfully completing LAW 388 Advanced Legal Research and Writing; OR
3. writing a directed major research paper in LAW 399 Supervised Research and Writing.

Faculty regulations governing major research papers are posted on the faculty website under Student and Academic Matters. Course descriptions will typically indicate the number of major research papers, if any, an instructor will be willing to supervise in that course, per term.

LAW 390 Major Research Paper in a Course

- Students completing their major research paper within a course will also be registered in LAW 390 for the term in which they complete the paper. The LAW 390 registration is used for tracking and transcript purposes only and bears no unit value. (The student is already obtaining credit for the course in which the paper requirement is being fulfilled.)
- Students cannot register themselves for LAW 390; this must be done by a member of the Associate Dean, Academic and Student Relations’ office upon submission of the appropriate documentation.
- In order to register for LAW 390, you must have your instructor sign a “Consent to Supervise LAW 399 Supervised Research and Writing and/or LAW 390 Major Paper Within a Course” form or provide their consent by email and you must email the completed form to the Associate Dean,
The form must be submitted no later than the add/drop deadline for the particular term in which the LAW 390 paper is to be completed.

**LAW 399 Supervised Research and Writing**

LAW 399 Supervised Research and Writing provides law students an opportunity to undertake substantial research and writing on a legal subject approved by a Faculty member who agrees to supervise the paper. The calendar description for LAW 399 is as follows:

(Units: 1.0-4.0) During either of the second or third years of a student’s program, a student may undertake a substantial research and writing project on a legal subject approved by a member of the Faculty of Law who agrees to supervise the project. With the approval of the Dean or the Dean’s nominee: (1) a student may be awarded credit for two separate supervised research papers provided that the total credit does not exceed 4 units and each paper is started and completed in separate terms; (2) this course may be extended over two terms; or (3) if this course is to be taken for 1 unit only.

The following guidelines apply to LAW 399 paper proposals.

- Students are generally expected to satisfy their LAW 390 Major Paper Requirement in a regular course offering rather than applying for LAW 399.
- An exception can be made where LAW 399 offers a student an opportunity to complete an original research and writing project, of publishable quality, where the subject matter of the paper is such that there is not a course-based opportunity to complete this work.
- Students are strongly advised to seek Faculty Member approval for a LAW 399 well in advance. Faculty Members may be approached by students about supervising a LAW 399 one to two terms in advance.
- Faculty Members are generally not available to supervise LAW 399 papers in their non-teaching term. In particular, there are limited opportunities to write LAW 399 papers in the summer term.
- Sessional and adjunct instructors do not normally supervise LAW 399 papers.
- The availability of LAW 399 is subject to the agreement of a supervising Faculty Member. Whether, and under what circumstances, a Faculty member agrees to supervise a LAW 399 is ultimately subject to the discretion of the supervising Faculty Member.
- Students should keep in mind that a LAW 399 paper is a major undertaking. A LAW 399 paper worth 1.5 units will be analogous to the time requirements of a 1.5 unit course.

**LAW 399 Registration**

- Students cannot register themselves for LAW 399; this must be done by a member of the Associate Dean, Academic and Student Relations’ office upon submission of the appropriate documentation.
- In order to register for LAW 399, you must have your instructor sign a “Consent to Supervise LAW 399 Supervised Research and Writing and/or LAW 390 Major Paper Within a Course” form or provide their consent by email and you must email the completed form to the Associate Dean,
Academic and Student Relations Assistant (lawada@uvic.ca). The form is available here: https://www.uvic.ca/law/assets/docs/RegistrationPageDocs/390%20and%20399%20Registration%20Form.pdf.

- The form must be submitted no later than the add/drop deadline for the particular term in which the LAW 399 paper is to be completed.
- The approval of the Associate Dean, Academic and Student Relations is needed if LAW 399 is to be completed for only 1.0 unit. A LAW 399 paper that is completed for only 1.0 unit of credit and that has fewer than 7,500 words does not meet the Faculty’s major paper requirement.
- Where a student is seeking to complete a LAW 399 in a topic that could be addressed within course work, Faculty are encouraged to consult with the Associate Dean, Academic and Student Relations.
- In rare occasions due to exceptional circumstances, the course may be extended over two terms with prior written approval of the supervising professor and the Associate Dean, Academic and Student Relations.

Successful completion of a supervised research paper in LAW 399 will satisfy the requirements of the major research paper regulations provided the paper is no fewer than 7,500 words in length (exclusive of footnotes and bibliography) and the student receives a grade of 65% or better on the paper.

**LAW 343 Contemporary Issues in Law**

LAW 343 Contemporary Issues in Law is a course that usually has multiple sections. Each section is a different topic with a different schedule. There is only one section for each topic. Students may take more than one LAW 343 course during their law degree.

**Skills and Clinical Courses**

As a matter of Faculty policy, students are encouraged to take courses with considerable experiential content. For example, students are urged to take a clinical course (Law Centre, Business Law Clinic or Environmental Law Clinic) or a skills course (Advocacy, Legal Skills or Advanced Legal Research and Writing). For detailed information about clinical courses see the section on Term and Clinical Programs below. All fall 2020 clinical courses be conducted online. At the time of writing this guide, it is unknown whether spring 2021 clinical courses will be conducted online, face to face, or a combination of both.

IMPORTANT NOTE: The three skills courses are in high demand and are traditionally oversubscribed. Students interested in these courses are highly encouraged to register in one of Advocacy, Legal Skills or ALRW in the 2020-2021 academic year due to limited spaces and high demand.

**LAW 365 Legal Mooting**

At the time of writing this guide, it is not yet known, due to the pandemic, which moots will proceed in 2020-21 and in which we will participate. A separate mooting 2020-21 mooting document will be posted as this information becomes available.

The following credit has been assigned to these moot competitions:

- The BC Law Schools Moot Competition 1.5 units
- The Bowman National Tax Moot 1.5 units
- The Canadian Client Consultation Competition 1.5 units
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**Selection for Mooting Teams**

Selection for mooting teams is by competition, which occurs in late September. Students cannot register for LAW 365 Legal Mooting unless they are selected to participate in a moot through the selection process. Students should therefore register in a full course load in June, and drop a course in spring term if they are selected. In any given year, it is possible that the Faculty will not participate in one or more of the above moots.

**Researcher Position**

Some moots permit a student researcher position. Researchers earn slightly fewer units than students who act as counsel (typically 1.0 unit), and do not normally travel with the team to attend the moot. Selection for researcher positions will take place in September.

**Academic Credit for Moots**

Credit for moots is awarded in the spring term unless special permission is sought and granted by the Associate Dean, Academic and Students Relations. This permission will only be granted in exceptional circumstances as the moot competitions occur in the spring term. Students who participate in moots as researchers get slightly less credit than those who act as counsel, typically 1.0 units.

**Students cannot participate in more than one moot in a single academic year.** A student may be awarded credit in their upper-year program to a maximum of 2.0 units in an academic year and 4.0 units in the student's entire program, for supervised participation in mooting programs approved by the Associate Dean, Academic and Student Relations. This regulation is strictly enforced. No exceptions are permitted under any circumstances.

Students may participate in more than one moot competition during their program, including the same moot competition. Students who wish to participate in a second moot, must compete a second time, even if for the same moot competition. Students that have mooted competitively for credit in an earlier year, may only do so again if numbers permit. Priority will always be given to students who have not had the opportunity to moot over those that have.

First year students will not receive credit for moot competitions, though they may compete in some of the moots.

**Co-op and Moot Eligibility**

The alternating academic work term Co-op schedule impacts eligibility for moots and can limit Co-op student participation. Co-op students may only moot if they are scheduled to be on consecutive study terms during the Fall/Spring semesters and have completed at least two work terms (the Law Co-op designation requirement). For practical purposes, this means that only students following scheduling Option 1 or Option 3, as outlined in
the Law Co-op Student Handbook, may moot and only in Year 3. Students following scheduling Option 2 will not be eligible to participate in moots. Permission to change work schedules to accommodate mooting will not be granted. It is the responsibility of students who wish to participate in Co-op and mooting to select the appropriate schedule in advance.

Preparation for moots begins in fall term and students must be available to meet with their team in both fall and spring terms. For this reason, students in Law Centre or on Co-op work terms or full-time field schools cannot participate in a moot, if held, in 2020-2021.


LAW 389 is a year-long course worth 2.0 units. Students may choose to be registered for 1.0 unit in the fall and 1.0 unit in the spring or 2.0 units in the spring term. It is not possible to register for the 2.0 units in the fall.

To qualify for LAW 389 and to be a member of the Appeal Board, students MUST be eligible for registration in classes for both the fall term 2020 and spring term 2021. Students scheduled to be away on exchange terms, Co-op work terms, internships, Law Centre, etc., are not eligible to register in LAW 389.

The deadline to apply for Appeal in 2020-2021 was in March 2020. Students seeking information may email the editors at appeal@uvic.ca. Specific online meeting times for this course may be established in consultation, prior to the start of term.

**LAW 352 Exchange Term**

Students are encouraged to consider participating in an exchange term with one of UVic Law's exchange partners. Exchange terms are evaluated on a pass/fail basis, and are in most situations, 7.5 units of block credit. The process for applying for an exchange term in 2020-2021 took place in February 2020.

Due to COVID 19, all fall 2020 exchanges have been cancelled. At the time of writing this guide, it is not yet known whether spring 2021 exchanges will proceed.

See details with respect to exchange opportunities here: [https://www.uvic.ca/law/jd/exchangeterms/index.php](https://www.uvic.ca/law/jd/exchangeterms/index.php). Any and all questions, including what can and cannot be combined with an exchange term, should be directed to the Assistant to the Associate Dean, Academic and Student Relations (lawada@uvic.ca).

**Courses in Other Faculties at the University of Victoria**

During their JD a student may take a maximum of 3.0 units worth of courses in other faculties within the university for credit toward their JD degree. All students must obtain the approval of the Associate Dean, Academic and Student Relations as well as the instructor of the course in advance of registering for the course. If the course is graduate level, the student must also meet the admissions standards of the Faculty of Graduate Studies and obtain the approval of the Dean of Graduate Studies.
Students may be asked to justify to the Associate Dean, Academic and Student Relations how the course fits with their JD program.

Students taking courses in other faculties should be aware that supplemental examinations are not offered by all departments. Furthermore, even where supplemental examinations are available, the student must have achieved a final grade of "E" (not "F"). If a law student received an "F" (0 to 49%) grade in a course outside the Faculty of Law and could not write a supplemental in that course, the student would not achieve standing in the Faculty of Law for that year.


**Cross-Listed Courses**

Each year, the Faculty of Law offers courses that are cross-listed with other faculties. Taking a cross-listed course can enrich a student's learning experience by adding an interdisciplinary dimension. The following courses will be offered in 2020-2021:

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**Term and Clinical Programs**

Students may consider taking a term or clinical program in second or third year law. The rationale for the development of the clinical and term programs is to provide students with an opportunity to apply their knowledge of the law, to develop an understanding of legal processes, to develop lawyering skills and to provide an opportunity to achieve some degree of specialization in an intense and closely supervised format. Students may not enrol in more than two term programs. Except in unusual and compelling circumstances, students who enrol in a term program are not permitted to enrol in other courses during that term without the authorization of the Associate Dean, Academic and Student Relations.

Unless otherwise indicated, all fall 2020 clinical terms or programs will be conducted online. At the time of writing this guide, it is not yet known how spring 2021 will be conducted.

**LAW 350 Clinical Law Term - The Law Centre**

In fall 2020, the Law Centre will be offered in a hybrid model of online and socially-distanced face to face. However, students are NOT required to reside in Victoria in order to participate in fall 2020 Law Centre. At the time of writing this guide, it is not yet known how spring 2021 Law Centre will be conducted.
In this full-time full term clinical course students will receive training in interviewing, counselling, negotiation, mediation, advocacy before Provincial Court and administrative tribunals, and drafting. They will represent clients who present with problems related to criminal law, corrections law, family law, human rights law, and a variety of civil law issues. Students will develop awareness of legal and social problems of economically disadvantaged, significantly ill, liberty challenged, Indigenous and aged members of society.

This process requires a carefully supervised program with manifold opportunities for online one-to-one instructor student supervision and regular group sessions. The maximum enrollment is 14 students. Students who enroll in the Law Centre are required to obtain Temporary Articles through the Law Society of British Columbia.

The credit value of the term is 7.5 units. LAW 309 Evidence is a required prerequisite.

Students interested in the Law Centre term program should review the Law Centre’s website http://thelawcentre.ca/. Law Centre is offered in fall, spring and summer with 14 spaces available in each term. Registration for each term program is determined by lottery. See the section below on Admission to Law Centre for details.

**Admission Lottery and Registration Priority**

Admission to LAW 350 Law Centre Clinical Term (“Law Centre”) will be determined by lottery. If you wish to register in the Law Centre in fall term 2020 or spring term 2021 you must submit a ballot by email to lawada@uvic.ca by Wednesday, June 17 at 12:00 noon Pacific Time. You may ballot for one term only (either fall 2020 or spring 2021) during the lottery process. There are 14 places available in each term. Students commencing or continuing their third year of legal studies in fall term 2020 will have priority admission to Law Centre during the lottery process. Information about the Law Centre is here: http://www.uvic.ca/law/jd/lawclinics/lawcentre/index.php and http://thelawcentre.ca/

Submit your ballot by email to the Assistant to the Associate Dean, Academic and Student Relations (lawada@uvic.ca) by no later than Wednesday, June 17 at 12:00 noon Pacific Time. The lottery deadline is strictly enforced. You may submit one ballot only. We will accept ballots after the deadline, however, your name will be added to the end of the Law Centre waitlist regardless of your year of study. If the ballot is no longer posted on the website, please contact the Assistant to the Associate Dean, Academic and Student Relations (lawada@uvic.ca) to be added to the waitlist.

Participating students will be advised of the results of the lottery within one week of the lottery deadline. If you accept an offer, consider it to be a serious commitment that you will attend the course. If you are not sure whether to accept an offer, discuss your situation with us. Withdrawals are problematic, particularly as the start of term approaches.

**Registration**

If you balloted successfully for Law Centre, you will be registered in the course by front office staff. If you decide to withdraw from the course please advise the Assistant to the Associate Dean, Academic and Student Relations (lawada@uvic.ca)immediately. Students who are waitlisted for Law Centre will be able to register themselves in other courses via My Page in June.
Prerequisites
The required prerequisite for Law Centre is LAW 309 The Law of Evidence. The recommended prerequisites are LAW 303 Criminal Procedure and LAW 322 Family Law.

Other Courses
Students registered in Law Centre are not permitted to register in any other course(s) in addition to the Law Centre clinical term.

Deferred Coursework or Academic Standing Issues
Students with deferred coursework from a prior term, or who are not in good academic standing when the term begins must withdraw from Law Centre.

Attendance
An intensive orientation period is taught by Law Centre Acting Director Steve Perks. It begins at the start of term and runs for the first four weeks of term. Given the exigencies of the pandemic, fall 2020 will be offered virtually. At this time, we do not yet know about spring 2021. Full-time attendance during these four weeks of orientation is required (in fall this will be in the form of scheduled zoom sessions). Permission to miss a class/session will only be granted for reasons of accommodation or in other limited circumstances. Students with questions about this requirement, or who are seeking accommodation should contact Steve Perks at steve.perks@thelawcentre.ca.

Term Dates
The Law Centre is a full term program with a credit value of 7.5 units. It is tentatively scheduled from the second day of classes to the end of the fourth month of term. The end date may NOT coincide with the end of classes or the end of the exam period. Review the Are you a Law Student section of the Law Centre website to obtain an understanding of the time commitment that is required http://thelawcentre.ca/.

Waitlist
There are 14 seats available in the Law Centre in each fall and spring term. A waitlist will be created for each term, and maintained by the Assistant to the Associate Dean, Academic and Student Relations (lawada@uvic.ca). Eligible students who participate in the lottery but do not obtain a place in the Law Centre will be automatically waitlisted in the term for which they balloted and may also upon request (see question 4 on ballot) be added to the waitlist of the other term. Eligible students who miss the balloting deadline will be added to the bottom of the waitlist(s) of their choice on a first-come-first-served basis, regardless of their year of study. Students who obtain a place in the Law Centre will NOT be placed on the waitlist for the term for which they did not ballot. These students may however, request to be added to the waitlist after the lottery results are released but will be given lowest priority.

The Faculty reserves the right to exercise an overriding discretion in regard to the interpretation and application of all priority rules.

LAW 349 Business Law Clinic (BLC)
The Business Law Clinic (BLC), LAW 349, brings together a dynamic combination of senior law students, community-based entrepreneurs and innovative businesses owners. The BLC can provide legal information about issues that are important to small businesses. As the owners and law students work together, they learn that a venture's path to success is greatly assisted when owners consult with legal counselors in the initial development stage of the business. Typical legal issues faced by entrepreneurs or business owners
are dealt with in this course, including the protection of ideas, business formats, bank or investor financing, product liability, commercial contracts and the selection of a lawyer.

Students can register for LAW 349 BLC via My Page on their registration day. LAW 349 BLC has a credit value of 1.5 units per term. LAW 315 Business Associations is a required pre- or corequisite for LAW 349. See information below regarding restrictions relating to taking this course twice.

**LAW 353 Environmental Law Clinic (ELC)**

The Environmental Law Clinic (ELC), LAW 353, is the Faculty's foundational environmental clinical course. Students receive supervised experience working for conservation, community and First Nation clients.

The class will meet weekly for a 3 hour online seminar in which legal skills and professional responsibility issues are learned and discussed. LAW 353 is offered every term and has a cap of ten to twelve students per term. Students can register for LAW 353 ELC via My Page on their registration day. LAW 353 may be taken for 1.5 units or, with the prior permission of both the Associate Dean, Academic and Student Relations and the instructor, for 2.0 units per term. See information below regarding LAW 386A and LAW 386B and also restrictions relating to taking ELC twice.

**LAW 349 Business Law Clinic and LAW 353 Environmental Law Centre Clinic Restrictions**

The course descriptions for LAW 349 and LAW 353 indicate that, with the approval of the Associate Dean, Academic and Student Relations and the instructor, students may enrol in either of these courses twice. However, you must not register in LAW 349 or LAW 353 for a second time without prior approval of both the Associate Dean and the Instructor. Such approval is highly exceptional and will only be granted if there is space available in the course at the beginning of a term. That is, students who have not yet had an opportunity to take the course will have priority.

**Concentration in Environmental Law and Sustainability**

The concentration in Environmental Law and Sustainability will provide students with the opportunity to immerse themselves in environmental law and sustainability, and to use their legal knowledge in the direct service of real clients pursuing a range of interests aimed at environmental protection. Students who complete the eight required courses and electives will receive a notation on their transcript. For details, please see the program information that will be posted with the 2020-2021 registration materials on the law faculty website: [https://www.uvic.ca/law/jd/courseregistration/index.php](https://www.uvic.ca/law/jd/courseregistration/index.php).

**Co-op**

Co-op students must follow one of the three approved academic term/work term schedule options outlined in the Law Co-op Handbook [https://www.uvic.ca/law/assets/docs/coop/coophandbook2017b.pdf](https://www.uvic.ca/law/assets/docs/coop/coophandbook2017b.pdf). Schedule changes require the permission of the Law Co-op Coordinator and this is only granted in exceptional circumstances. All co-op students must attend at least one summer academic session during their legal studies.

Co-op students have priority registration in **Summer Session** courses.
Co-op students engaged in a work term may not be enrolled in a law course during that work term without the prior approval of the Associate Dean, Academic and Student Relations and the Law Co-op Coordinator. Such approval is highly exceptional and is rarely granted. There are therefore limitations or barriers to co-op students participating in some Winter Session courses, LAW 389 Appeal and several of the moots.

Course Registration

Authorization to Register

Students are authorized to register for courses according to their progress in their law program (i.e. second year or third year).

For course registration purposes, a third-year student will have completed the second year of the JD program before the start of Winter Session 2020 (i.e., September 2020). A second year student will have completed first year before the start of the Winter Session 2020 (i.e., September 2020). Third year students have priority access to upper year courses and register one day earlier than second year students.

Students are authorized to register in June for the entire Winter Session 2020-2021 (fall term 2020 and spring term 2021). Ensure that you register for both terms (unless you are a Co-op student) on your authorized date of registration.

Course Registration Dates

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<td>Tues., June 23</td>
<td>8:00 a.m.</td>
<td>Registration opens for JD students starting or continuing in third year in September 2020. No other JD students will have access to registration on this date.</td>
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<td>Wed., June 24</td>
<td>8:00 a.m.</td>
<td>Registration opens for JD students starting or continuing in second year in September 2020.</td>
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<td>Thurs., June 25</td>
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<td>Co-op students are eligible to register on Day 3 for courses in a term in which they are scheduled to out on a work term. Co-op students cannot register for courses in a work term prior to day 3.</td>
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IMPORTANT: June 11 and 12 law students will receive a “time ticket” email from Undergraduate Records regarding the assignment of 2020-2021 registration dates. **Students are responsible for confirming their own eligibility and registration dates and times.** To do this, after June 12, sign in to My Page, select the “Student Services” option from the left-hand column of the page, click on the “Registration” tab, choose the “Registration Status” option, select the term and click “Submit” to see your registration date and time and selected term. Click on the “Holds and Alerts” tab to see if there are any holds (tuition fees/academic standing). If the registration date or time is incorrect, contact Yvonne Lawson at lawmaass@uvic.ca well before the registration dates to allow time to fix the problem.

Registration Preparation

Carefully review the 2020-2021 Winter Session registration information that will be posted over the next several months on the Faculty of Law Faculty of Law Course Registration & Timetables webpage, including:
• Important Academic Dates 2020-2021
• Planning and Course Selection Guide (this document)
• Course Offering Patterns Guide, updated for 2020-2021
• Concentration in Environmental Law and Sustainability
• LAW Centre Ballot 2020-2021
• Preliminary Course Information Summaries (PCIS)

Fall Term 2020
• Upper Year Schedule (will include CRNs)
• Upper Year Timetable
• Examination Schedule

Spring 2021
• Upper Year Schedule (will include CRNs)
• Upper Year Timetable
• Examination Schedule

Registration via My Page: Instructions

Students register online via My Page. UVic course registration information is here:

For Quick Registration ensure that you know the CRNs (Course Reference Numbers) for the courses in which you will be registering. Prior to registration, the CRNs will be listed on the law course schedules in the column marked CRN. To register in courses, sign in to My Page, select the “Student Services” option from the left-hand column of the page, click on the “Registration” tab, choose “Add or Drop Classes,” select the term then type in the CRNs of your courses and click “Submit Changes” (this is described in more detail in the registration tutorial referred to above).

Do not use the Look Up Classes and Class Search options as it takes longer and is unnecessary given that the law schedule includes the CRNs. Also, the Class Search option sometimes confusingly indicates that a course is “closed” even though students may waitlist, if they wish, in the Add or Drop Classes area.

Proxy Registration: If you have a commitment that conflicts with your registration time (e.g. air travel, work responsibilities, unreliable internet) you are responsible for finding a trusted friend or relative to register you via your My Page account. As a precaution, you may wish to contact Yvonne Lawson (lawmaass@uvic.ca) to provide the person’s name and confirm that your personal registration situation may be discussed in the event that they experience registration issues, i.e. your proxy may contact Yvonne directly for assistance.

Registration Holds or Blocks

Check your student account in My Page to ensure that you have no holds on your record that will prevent you from registering (“Registration” tab, then check “Holds and Alerts”). Note that there is a strict University of Victoria policy that if you owe any fees or fines you will be blocked from registration. This includes tuition, ancillary fees, Co-op work term fees, library fines and parking tickets. Students registered in Co-op work terms or courses in summer term 2020 are reminded that summer term tuition is due May 31, 2020.
Faculty of Law staff cannot override Accounting registration blocks. Note that it can take 48 hours for payment to be processed and for the block to be removed by Accounting. Due to COVID 19, processing time may take longer. This means settling an overdue account one day before registration does not allow enough time. For inquiries regarding fee related blocks to your account contact UVic Accounting at tuition@uvic.ca, 250-721-7032 or toll free at 1-800-663-5260. More detailed information is here http://www.uvic.ca/vpfo/accounting/services/tuition/index.php.

Double degree students and students completing their first year course requirements on a part-time basis should contact Yvonne Lawson (lawmaass@uvic.ca) in advance for registration assistance. Registration blocks are usual.

**Course Waitlists: How to Add, Drop and Maintain your Place**

Information regarding managing waitlisted courses is here: http://www.uvic.ca/current-students/home/course-registration/waitlist/index.php.

**CAUTION:** Registration offers will be sent to your Preferred Email address. If you receive a registration offer, you must respond by the deadline specified in your offer or you will be dropped from the waitlist. To accept the offer, select “Register” from the Action drop-down menu and click “Submit Changes.” If you do not respond and are subsequently dropped from the waitlist, you may waitlist yourself a second time. Unfortunately, you will have lost your priority and will be added to the end of the waitlist.

**Registration Offers - Durations:** During the summer months, you will have one week to respond to registration offers for both fall and spring courses. In September, this will drop to a 24-hour response time for fall term courses. In January, the response time will drop to 24 hours for spring term courses. Check your offer dates and times very carefully.

**Registration and Waitlist Combined Limit**

Law students may be waitlisted and registered in a combined total of 10.0 units per term. 8.5 units is the maximum registered units permitted and an additional 1.5 units is given to allow waitlist flexibility. This means students registered in 8.5 units may only waitlist for one additional 1.5 unit course or a student registered in 6.0 units may waitlist for up to 4.0 more units of courses. Plan your registration accordingly.

**Checking Course Enrollment and Waitlist Numbers**

To view whether space is available in any given course, go to the UVic Dynamic Schedule webpage (https://www.uvic.ca/BAN2P/bwckschd.p_disp_dyn_sched).

**CAUTION:** In viewing the Registration Availability table for any given course, you must look at the Waitlist Seats row as well as the Seats row. The table may indicate that one or more seats are remaining, however if there are any waitlisted students they will be first in line to receive offers for those empty seats. You will not be able to register in the empty seats ahead of them; you will be offered the option to waitlist if you try to register.

**Course Offering Patterns Guide**

To assist you with longer term course planning, the Course Offering Patterns Guide is posted with the registration documents on the law website https://www.uvic.ca/law/jd/coursereregistration/index.php. The
information in this document is offered solely to help students plan their overall programs and does not constitute a promise to offer a particular course in a particular term in future years.

Clinical and Skills Courses: Registration Restrictions

As a matter of Faculty policy, students are urged to take a clinical course (Law Centre, Business Law Clinic, Environmental Law Clinic, ELC Intensive, Field Courses and Intensive Term) or a skills course (Legal Skills, Advanced Legal Research and Writing or Advocacy). These courses have low caps and are in high demand and typically fill up on the first day of registration. Skill courses are generally only available in Winter Session however there are two or three clinical courses regularly offered in Summer Session.

Due to COVID 19, offerings of clinical and skills may be further restricted.

Clinical Courses:
- LAW 304 Criminal law Term (not offered in 2020-2021)
- LAW 349 Business Law Clinic
- LAW 350 Law Centre Clinical Law Term
- LAW 353 Environmental Law Clinic
- LAW 386A ELC Intensive: Legal Skills and Sustainability (not offered in 2020-2021)
- LAW 386B ELC Intensive: Problem Solving (not offered in 2020-2021)

Skills Courses:
- LAW 355 Legal Skills, cap is 18 (one section in spring, 18 seats); and
- LAW 388 ALRW, cap is 18 (one section in fall term and one section in spring term, 36 seats); and
- LAW 356 Advocacy, cap is 12 (two sections in fall term and two sections in spring term, 48 seats).

The total for the 2020-2021 academic year is 102 seats; students are encouraged to register for only one of these courses to ensure that as many students as possible have the opportunity to take one of these skills courses.
## Course Prerequisites and Corequisites

*It is the student’s responsibility to ensure course pre- and corequisites are met. Note that courses below may not be offered in 2020-2021.*

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<td>LAW 304 Criminal Law Term last (offered in spring 2016)</td>
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<td>It is recommended that students have taken a prior course in corporate law.</td>
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<td>LAW 343 Statutory Interpretation</td>
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<td>LAW 347 Intellectual Property (taken before if possible)</td>
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<td>Comparative Copyright Law</td>
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<td>LAW 386A</td>
<td>ELC Intensive: Legal Skills and Sustainability</td>
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Appendix

Logging into CourseSpaces

1) Go to www.uvic.ca and click on the “Sign in to online tools” on the upper right-hand corner of the screen.

2) Sign in using your NetLink ID and password

3) Click on “CourseSpaces”

4) To find a specific course, search using the search box on the right of the page. Enter course details in the following format: “yyyymm law coursenumber” (e.g., “202005 law 388A”) and click “Go.”

5) From the search results, click on the course title link.
**Activating Your UVic Zoom Account**

In order to log into your Zoom classroom sessions directly (without having to wait in the Waiting Room), you must activate your UVic Enterprise account in Zoom and use it for all course Zoom sessions.

1) Visit [https://uvic.zoom.us](https://uvic.zoom.us), click on “Sign in” to configure your account, and select the option of “Sign in with SSO (single sign on).”

2) Enter “uvic” as your company domain. Click “Continue.”

3) You will be redirected to a UVic sign-in page. **Sign in with your UVic NetLink ID and password.**