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Summer Course Delivery and the Pandemic

As uncertainty continues around the pandemic, this guide contains the law school’s approved plan for Summer Session course delivery as of the date of writing. This guide will be updated in the event of change.

Nine of eleven law courses in summer 2021 will be offered in person, in large lecture halls in the Fraser Building. Courses will be capped at 40 students or fewer. The delivery of these courses will comply with provincial health and safety regulations, including physical distancing, cleaning protocols and health screening. Safe Work Plans (SWPs) for the lecture halls have been developed in conjunction with UVic Occupational Health, Safety and Environment (OHSE). Classroom Safety Ambassadors will be assigned by OHSE to support classroom protocols (e.g. masking requirements).

Two law courses in summer 2021 will be offered entirely online, synchronously. Classroom space will be reserved for students registered in these courses who prefer to be on campus during online class times. SWPs will be in place for these rooms.

UVic published a statement regarding summer course delivery on January 6, posted here.

Updates and UVic’s response to COVID-19 are posted here.

Admission to Summer Session

JD Students

Full-time study in Summer Session is available to upper-year UVic Law JD students in good standing.

Law co-op students must register in courses full-time in one summer academic term during their JD program.

Registration in summer is optional for non-co-op JD students and many choose to follow the pattern of registering in Winter Session courses (fall and spring terms) only.

Summer Session is only available to JD students who have completed all first-year required JD courses and who are in good academic standing in May 2021. Students who choose to register in summer courses must register in a full-time course load (7.0 - 8.5 units) with some specific exceptions as noted throughout this guide.

Students approved for part-time studies, who are interested in registering in summer term courses, must consult with the Associate Dean, Academic and Students Relations prior to registering.

JD/JID Students

Summer Session courses are not available to JD/JID students except in exceptional circumstances and only with the permission of the Associate Dean, Academic and Student Relations. This applies to all JD/JID students. All required transsystemic JD/JID courses are offered in Winter Session only,
and are offered on a limited basis, throughout each of the four years of students’ JD/JID degree. This results in little flexibility for JD/JID students to register in summer session courses full-time.

**Co-op Students and Summer Session**

1. Typically co-op students are expected to attend one academic summer session during their legal studies. Co-op students must follow one of the three approved academic term / work term schedule options outlined in the Law Co-op Handbook. Note: Schedule changes require permission from the Co-op Coordinator and this is only granted in exceptional circumstances.
2. Upper-year co-op students have first priority registration in Summer Session courses and will be authorized to register on “Day 1” Tuesday, March 16, 2021 at 8:00 am.
3. First-year co-op students enrolling in their first term of second year in Summer Session will have second priority registration and will be authorized to register on “Day 1” Tuesday, March 16, 2021 at 1:00 pm.
4. Co-op students must register in a full-time course load (7.0 - 8.5 units).

**Non-Co-op JD Students and Summer Session**

1. Registration in Summer Session is optional for non-co-op students.
2. Students who choose to take summer courses must register in a full-time course load (7.0 to 8.5 units).
3. All JD students are authorized to register on “Day 2” Wednesday, March 17, 2021 at 8:00 am.
4. Students who register in Summer Session and find themselves in academic difficulty at the end of the spring term, may be required to withdraw from Summer Session. This includes students with deferred coursework or academic standing issues.
5. Students completing their final academic term in summer 2021 may contact the front office regarding their registration priority.

**All JD Students (Co-op and Non-Co-op) and Summer Session**

1. All students in summer term must register in a full-time course load unless they are authorized by the Associate Dean, Academic and Student Relations as part-time students.
2. Current first-year students must complete all first-year courses and obtain standing in first year in order to remain registered in Summer Session 2021.
3. Upper-year students wishing to register in Law Centre in Summer Session 2021 must participate in the lottery. See page 12-13 for details. The lottery deadline is Tuesday, March 9, 2021, 12:00 noon sharp. Students that miss the lottery may contact law.studentservices@uvic.ca to be added to the waitlist.

**General**

This guide, along with the faculty timetable, schedule and websites (Law and UVic), give detailed information on course offerings, faculty regulations and important dates. Please review all information thoroughly prior to selecting your courses. Course information is here.

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

**Registration Related Dates**
Mon, March 8, 12:30 pm  **Summer Session Q & A on Zoom**
Acting Associate Dean, Academic & Students Andrew Newcombe, Associate Dean, Administration & Research Freya Kodar, Manager, Academic & Students Yvonne Lawson, and Co-op Coordinator, Francine Proctor.

Tue, March 9, 12:00 noon  **Deadline for LAW 350 Law Centre Lottery, 12:00 noon.**
(See page 12 for details.)

Tue, March 16, 8:00 am  **Day 1 Registration, Morning, Upper-year Law Co-op Students**
Upper-year co-op students will be authorized to register via *My Page.*

Registration will open at 8:00 am and remain open thereafter. No other students will have access to registration at this time. (See page 3 for details.)

Tue, March 16, 1:00 pm  **Day 1 Registration, Afternoon, First-year Law Co-op Students**
First-year co-op students will be authorized to register via *My Page.*

Registration will open at 1:00 pm and remain open thereafter. (See page 3 for details.)

Wed, March 17, 8:00 am  **Day 2 Registration, Morning, All JD Students**
Non-co-op JD students will be authorized to register via *My Page.*
Registration will open at 8:00 am and remain open thereafter. (See page 3 for details.)

**Planning and Course Selection**

This section lists 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 UVic’s and the Faculty of Law’s requirements, regulations, policies and procedures as stated in the UVic 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 students must take a minimum of 14.5 units and 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 year of law 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 a summer term or stop-out from their studies.

**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 upper-year units and 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 and the compulsory courses and major paper requirement.

Workload

Upper-year courses are usually term-long and weighted at 1.5 units (3 hours of instruction per week) or 2.0 units (4 hours of instruction per week). Full-time students usually take 4 or 5 courses per term to meet the unit requirements.

Expect to be assigned 20 to 40 pages of reading per class hour for each course. You can expect a weekly total of 300 to 500 pages of reading. Some readings are quick and easily understood and some will require slow and detailed reading. There may be differences in teaching styles, course materials and content, assigned readings and evaluation methods among sections of each course.

Course Information and Counselling

The elective program in the upper years of the JD program requires proper 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
- The Law Co-op Coordinator
- Faculty members

Preliminary Course Information Summaries (PCIS)

A PCIS for each course will be posted on the Faculty of Law website prior to registration. 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 Brightspace and will be available to registered students at the start of term.

Course Prerequisites and Corequisites

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 table that appears on the final page of this guide.

Examination Schedules

The examination schedule will be posted prior to registration. It is the student’s responsibility to select courses that do not have conflicting exams and to pay due attention to the timing of take-home exams. Students who wish to avoid consecutive examinations must select their courses accordingly. Students with exams on consecutive days do not have grounds for deferrals on this basis.
Any travel arrangements for the end of term must be made to avoid conflict with final examinations. We highly advise that travel not be scheduled before the end of the exam period. Students may be required to write a deferred exam due to extenuating circumstances within the exam period.

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 full and have waitlists.

Compulsory Courses

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

Students who commenced the JD program between September 2012 and September 2018 must successfully complete the 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 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.

Several upper-year law courses have required pre- or corequisite law courses. This should be considered during your course planning. Please view the Course Prerequisites and Corequisites Chart on the final page of this document.

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. The course syllabus will typically indicate the number of major research papers, if any, the instructor will be willing to supervise in that course.

Policy on LAW 399 Supervised Research and Writing

LAW 399 Supervised Research and Writing provides 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 purpose of this policy is to provide guidance to students on proposals to write a LAW 399 research 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 1.0 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.

Registration in LAW 399
• Students cannot register themselves for LAW 399; this will 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 the “Consent to Supervise LAW 399 Supervised Research and Writing and/or LAW 390 Major Paper within a Course” form and you must file the completed form with the Associate Dean, Academic and Student Relations’ office. The form is available online. Registration must be completed 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 65% or better on the paper.

Writing a Major Research Paper in a Course

Students planning to write their major research paper in a course (other than LAW 399 or LAW 388), where such papers are permitted by the instructor, must register in the course in the usual way and must also complete the “Consent to Supervise LAW 399 Supervised Research and Writing and/or LAW 390 Major Paper Within a Course” form available online. The form requires the instructor’s electronic signature or email approval. The completed and signed form must be submitted by email to front office staff at the beginning of the term in which the paper will be written. Students unsure about whether a major research paper will be permitted in a particular course should consult with the instructor or the Associate Dean, Academic and Student Relations. Students are urged to consider this option for completing the major paper requirement, as opposed to enrolling in LAW 399.

LAW 390 Major Research Paper Registration

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.) Front office staff will register the student in LAW 390 when the completed and signed consent form (see above) is submitted at the beginning of term. Students that have secured a faculty supervisor for LAW 399 Supervised Research and Writing should indicate on the consent form whether the paper is intended to fulfill the major research paper requirement. If this is the case, front office staff will register the student in both LAW 399 (for credit) and LAW 390 (for tracking). Not all LAW 399 papers meet the major paper requirement so this information must be included on the consent form. Students meeting the major research paper requirement by registering in LAW 388 ALRW will not be registered in LAW 390.
LAW 343 Contemporary Issues in Law

LAW 343 Contemporary Issues 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 and in a single term.

Experiential Learning and Clinical Courses

In any given year, there will be multiple opportunities to access experiential learning across the curriculum. UVic Law is unique in its diversity of clinical offerings. Students are encouraged to take a clinical course, such as the Law Centre, the Business Law Clinic or the Environmental Law Clinic. For detailed information about clinical courses see the section below on “Term/Clinical Programs and Courses”.

Legal Perspectives Courses

Students are encouraged to take at least one legal perspectives course in either second or third year. For example, the following courses, not all of which may be offered in any given year, are regarded to be legal perspectives courses:

- Animals, Culture and the Law
- Jurisprudence
- Law and Religion
- Sexual Orientation and the Law
- Historical Foundation of Common Law
- Equality, Human Rights and Social Justice Law
- Race, Ethnicity and the Law
- International Human Rights

LAW 365 Legal Mooting

Legal mooting is available as a course option in winter session only. 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
- The Fox Intellectual Property Moot: 1.5 units
- The Gale Cup: 1.5 units
- The Jessup International Law Moot: 2.0 units
- The Kawaskimhon Moot: 1.5 units
- The Western Canada Mock Trial (MacIntyre-Sopinka): 1.5 units
- The Willms and Shier Environmental Law Moot: 1.5 units
- The Wilson Moot: 1.5 units

Selection for Mooting Teams

Selection for mooting teams is by competition, which occurs in early 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-time 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 have a researcher position if permitted by the rules of the moot competition. Researchers get slightly less credit (1.0 unit) than students who act as counsel (1.5 - 2.0 units) and
do not normally travel with the team to attend the moot. Selection for researcher positions will also take place in September.

**Academic Credit**
Credit for moots is applied 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 may participate in more than one moot competition during their program, including the same moot competition. **Students cannot participate in more than one moot competition in a single academic year.** A student may be awarded credit for mooting in their upper-year program to a maximum of 2.0 units in a single academic year and 4.0 units in their entire program. This regulation is strictly enforced. No exceptions are permitted under any circumstances.

During the selection process, if the number of students competing for seats in moot competitions exceeds the number of seats available, priority will be given to students that have not previously participated in a competitive moot. This applies to all of the above moots including the Kawaskimhon moot and the Canadian Client Counselling Competition which have separate selection processes.

First-year students are not eligible to participate in the competitive moots, and will not receive credit for voluntary moot competitions.

**Mooting Eligibility and Co-op Students**
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 terms 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 the 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 pick the appropriate schedule in advance.

**Mooting Eligibility and Students Registered in Off-Campus Academic Opportunities including Field Courses, and Clinical, Exchange and Visiting Terms**
Preparation for moots begins in fall term and students must be available to meet, in person, with their team in both fall and spring terms. For this reason, students away from campus in fall or spring term may not participate in moots. This includes students registered in the Law Centre Clinical Term, Co-op work terms, full-time field schools and exchange terms or who are visiting at another school in fall or spring.

LAW 389 Appeal is a year-long course worth 2.0 units (1.0 unit in fall, 1.0 unit in spring) available in Winter Session only. To qualify for LAW 389 and to be a member of the Appeal Board, students MUST be eligible to register in classes in both the fall term 2021 and spring term 2022. Students
scheduled to be away on exchange terms, co-op work terms, internships, Law Centre, or other full-term commitments are not eligible to register in LAW 389. The deadline to apply for Appeal in 2021-22 is March 2021. Students selected for the board will be registered by front office staff in June 2021. Students seeking information may email the editors at appeal@uvic.ca. Specific class meeting times for this course may be established in consultation with registered students, prior to the start of fall 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 2021-2022 took place in February 2021. See details with respect to exchange opportunities here. Please direct any questions to ldeanadm@uvic.ca.

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

In second and third years, a student may take a maximum of 3.0 units worth of courses in other faculties of the University for credit toward the JD degree. The student 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.

The Associate Dean, Academic and Student Relations, in reviewing an application for approval to take courses outside the Faculty of Law for credit towards the JD, may ask a student to provide reasons to support how the course fits with their JD program.

Students taking courses in other faculties should be aware of a potential difficulty. 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.

Detailed information is posted on the Student and Academic Matters page, under “JD program information”.

**Term/Clinical Programs and Courses**

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.
LAW 350 Clinical Law Term - The Law Centre

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 one-to-one instructor student supervision and regular group sessions. The Law Centre Clinical Law Term (“Law Centre”) takes place in a community law office and the maximum enrollment is 14 students. Students who enrol 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 should review the website. The Law Centre is offered in fall, spring and summer with 14 spaces available in each term. Registration for this term program will be determined by lottery. See the section below on Admission to Law Centre for details.

Admission to Summer Term 2021 Law Centre: The Law Centre Lottery

The admission lottery deadline for summer 2021 Law Centre is Tuesday, March 9, 2021, at 12:00 noon sharp.

Law Centre Course Delivery and the Pandemic: The plan is for The Law Centre to be offered in person in summer term 2021. The first four weeks of the orientation component will be held in the Fraser Building. For the rest of the term, students will attend The Law Centre clinic located at the Victoria Courthouse. Anticipating Safe Work Plan requirements limiting the number of people in the office at any one time will continue through the term, students will also work remotely and will need to set up a suitable place to work remotely from. Also, if conditions in the community and public health and University response requires, The Law Centre Clinical Program may deliver some or all of its program remotely.

Admission Lottery and Registration Priority: Admission to LAW 350 Law Centre Clinical Term is determined by lottery. If you wish to register in the Law Centre in summer term 2021 you must submit a ballot by the deadline indicated. There are 14 places available in summer term. Priority registration will be given to third-year co-op students then third-year non-co-op students. Next priority is second-year co-op students then second-year non-co-op students. Information about the Law Centre is here and here.

Ballot Deadline: Submit your ballot by email to law.studentservices@uvic.ca no later than Tuesday, March 9, 2021 at 12:00 noon. You will receive a confirmation email from a staff member in reply. You may submit one ballot only. The lottery deadline is strictly enforced. Late ballots are accepted, however your name will be added to the end of the list or waitlist regardless of your
year of study and co-op status. If the ballot is no longer posted on the website, please contact law.studentservices@uvic.ca to be added to the waitlist.

**Lottery Results:** Participating students will be advised of the results of the lottery within several days of the ballot deadline. If you accept an offer, consider it to be a serious commitment that you will attend the course. If you aren’t sure whether to accept an offer, discuss your situation with us. Withdrawals are problematic, particularly as the start of term approaches.

**Registration:** If you ballot successfully for Law Centre, front office staff will register you in LAW 350 Law Centre for 7.5 units. If you decide to withdraw from the course, please email law.studentservices@uvic.ca immediately. Students waitlisted for Law Centre can register themselves in regular courses via My Page in March, if they choose.

**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 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. In extenuating circumstances, permission to continue may be granted by the Associate Dean, Academic and Student Relations.

**Term Dates:** The Law Centre is a term program with a credit value of 7.5 units. It is scheduled from the regular start of term to the third week of the fourth month of term. The end date doesn’t coincide with the end of classes or the end of the exam period. Review the “For Law Students” section of the Law Centre website to obtain an understanding of the time commitment required.

**Attendance:** An intensive orientation period is taught by Law Centre Director Steve Perks. It begins at the start of term (Wednesday, May 5) and runs for the first four weeks in the Fraser Building, and for a fifth week in the downtown Law Centre office. **Full-time attendance during these five weeks of orientation is required.** Permission to miss a class 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.

**Waitlist:** 14 seats are available in the Law Centre. A waitlist will be created and maintained by Law Student Services. Eligible students who miss the lottery deadline may be added to the waitlist on a first-come first-served basis, regardless of their year of study or whether they are a co-op student.

*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)**

LAW 349 BLC 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. LAW 349 BLC has a credit value of 1.5 units per term. LAW 315 Business Associations is a required pre- or corequisite. See information below regarding restrictions relating to taking this course twice.

LAW 349 BLC classes will be offered in person in summer 2021.

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

LAW 353 ELC is the Faculty’s foundational environmental clinical course. Students receive hands-on supervised experience working for conservation, community and First Nation clients. The class meets weekly for a 3-hour seminar in which legal skills and professional responsibility issues are learned and discussed. LAW 353 is offered in fall, spring and summer term and has a cap of ten to twelve students per term. 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. **Important:** Students registered in this course will be contacted by ELC staff prior to the start of term. Files are assigned early and students must attend the first scheduled class.

LAW 353 ELC classes will be offered in person in summer 2021.

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

The course descriptions for these courses 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, students must not register in LAW 353 or LAW 349 for a second time without prior approval of both the Associate Dean, Academic and Student Relations 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 provides 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 posted on the [Course Registration and Timetables](#) webpage.
**Course Registration**

**Authorization to Register**

Students are authorized to register for Summer Session courses in March. Rules determining which students register on Day 1 and Day 2 are different for Summer Session than for Winter Session (fall and spring terms).

For Summer Session, registration priority is determined by whether the student is in the Co-op Program and also by the student’s progress in the degree program (i.e. first, second or third year). See page 3 of this guide for details.

Admission to the Law Centre Clinical Law Program in summer term is determined by lottery and priority rules are slightly different. See page 12-13 for details. The deadline to ballot for summer 2021 Law Centre is Tuesday, March 9, 2021.

In Winter Session, third-year students have priority access to upper-year courses and register one day earlier than second-year students. For Winter Session course registration purposes, a third-year student is a student who will have completed the second year of the JD program by the start of Winter Session 2021 (September 2021). A second-year student is a student who will have completed first year by the start of the Winter Session 2021 (September 2021). In June, students are authorized to register for the entire Winter Session 2021-22 (fall term 2021 and spring term 2022).

**Course Registration Dates for Summer Session 2021**

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<td><strong>Day 1 Registration, Morning, Upper-year Law Co-op Students</strong>&lt;br&gt;Upper-year co-op students will be authorized to register via <em>My Page</em>. Registration will open at 8:00 am and remain open thereafter. No other students will have access to registration at this time. (See page 3 for details.)</td>
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<td><strong>Day 1 Registration, Afternoon, First-year Law Co-op Students</strong>&lt;br&gt;First-year co-op students will be authorized to register via <em>My Page</em>. Registration will open at 1:00 pm and remain open thereafter. (See page 3 for details.)</td>
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<td><strong>Day 2 Registration, Morning, All JD Students</strong>&lt;br&gt;Non-co-op students will be authorized to register via <em>My Page</em>. Registration will open at 8:00 am and remain open thereafter. (See page 3 for details.)</td>
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IMPORTANT: In early March (likely March 4), students will receive a “time ticket” email from Undergraduate Records regarding the assignment of summer 2021 registration dates. Students are responsible for confirming their own eligibility and registration dates and times. To do this, in March 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 2021 Summer Session registration information as the documents become available on the website http://www.uvic.ca/law/jd/courseregistration/index.php, including:

- Important Academic Dates
- Planning and Course Selection Guide (this document)
- Course Offering Patterns (from Winter Session 2020-21)
- BALLOT: Law Centre Summer 2021 (see important information on pages 12-13 of this document) - Lottery deadline March 9 at noon
- Concentration in Environmental Law and Sustainability
- Preliminary Course Information Summaries (PCIS)
- Course Schedule (will include CRNs) and Timetables
- Examination Schedule

Registration via My Page - Instructions

Students register for courses on My Page. UVic registration information is here.

FOR QUICK REGISTRATION: Plan to register as soon as registration opens for your priority group. Ensure 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, log on to My Page, go to Registration → 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).

CAUTION: During registration, avoid using 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 in the Add or Drop Classes area in My Page. To be added to a waitlist, type in the course CRN under Registration → Add or Drop Classes.

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 2021 are reminded that summer term tuition is due May 31, 2021. **Faculty of Law staff cannot override Accounting registration holds.** Note that it can take 48 hours for payment to be processed and the hold removed by Accounting. Settling an overdue account one day before registration does not allow enough time to remove the hold. 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. Detailed information is [here](#).

**JD + MPA and JD + MBA double degree students** should contact Yvonne Lawson 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](#).

**CAUTION - Registration Offers and Deadlines:** Registration offers will be sent to your Preferred Email address. To accept the offer, select “Register” from the Action drop-down menu and click Submit Changes. **Carefully note the offer deadline. If you don’t respond by the deadline you will be dropped from the waitlist.** If you miss the deadline and are dropped from the waitlist, you may waitlist yourself a second time. Unfortunately, you will have lost your priority and will be at the end of the waitlist. There are no exceptions to this rule so respond to offers quickly. The waitlist tutorial is [here](#).

**Registration Offers – Durations and Deadlines:** During spring term, you will have one week to respond to registration offers for summer courses. In May, this will drop to a 24-hour response time. Check your offer dates and times very carefully. **The add/drop deadline for all summer term 2021 courses is Wednesday, May 12, 2021.**

**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, for example, a student registered in 6.0 units may waitlist for up to 4.0 more units of courses (i.e. to a combined limit of 10.0 units). 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.

**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

To assist you with longer term course planning, the Course Offering Patterns Guide is posted with the registration documents on the law website. 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. The 2020-21 Winter Session version of this document is the most current. A revised version will be posted with the 2021-22 Winter Session registration materials in May 2021.

See next page for the Course Prerequisites and Corequisites Chart
## Course Prerequisites and Corequisites Chart

*It is your responsibility to ensure course pre- and corequisites are met. Note that the courses below may not be offered in any given term or year.*

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