COURSE  
LAW 307B Civil Procedure with Drafting

UNIT VALUE  
2.0 Units (4 hours of instruction per week)

INSTRUCTOR  
Patrick Dudding and Rajinder Sahota

TERM OFFERED  
Spring 2020

CLASS TIMES  
See schedule

PREREQUISITES/COREQUISITES  
LAW 307B is a recommended pre- or corequisite for LAW 355 Legal Skills

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COURSE DESCRIPTION

Civil procedure provides the framework for resolving disputes through the process of litigation. We will explore this framework, focusing on the Supreme Court of British Columbia and the Supreme Court Civil Rules, by examining real-life cases from commencement to resolution. We will discuss matters such as access to justice, strategy, ethics, alternative dispute resolution, jurisdiction, and drafting.

The course will be structured around fundamental skills, including the preparation of materials necessary for prosecuting and defending litigation.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

1. Acquire knowledge of civil procedure and related issues (as noted above), basic drafting principles which apply to court documents, and advocacy in court.

2. Develop the skills needed to draft basic civil litigation documents and understand the connection between written and oral advocacy.

TEACHING METHODOLOGY

Expectations: attend class, read and consider the assigned materials before coming to class, identify and discuss relevant issues raised by the readings, complete all assignments, learn.

The course will comprise three written assignments (60%) along with a final exam (40%). There will be an oral advocacy component as well (unmarked).

No students will be allowed to complete a major paper in this course.

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1 The information in this document is provided for course registration purposes only and is subject to change. More detailed course information about course content and evaluation will be provided upon the commencement of the course. Students seeking additional information about the course prior to its commencement may contact the instructor or, if no instructor is listed, the Manager of Academic Administration and Student Services (lawmaass@uvic.ca).