COURSE   LAW 356-2 Advocacy
UNIT VALUE  2 Units (4 hours of instruction per week)
INSTRUCTOR  Michael Munro
TERM OFFERED  Spring 2020
CLASS TIMES  See Schedule
PREREQUISITES/COREQUISITES  LAW 309 Law of Evidence is a required prerequisite for LAW 356 Advocacy

OBJECTIVES

To introduce and familiarize students with basic trial advocacy techniques including:

- opening statements
- direct examination
- cross examination and impeachment
- exhibits
- trial ethics
- legal submissions
- objections and arguments on points of evidence
- closing argument

METHODOLOGY

Lectures, class discussions, demonstrations and class exercises. There are 2-3 short written assignments. The course will consist of a series of mock trial exercises including witness examinations, opening and closing arguments. A full mock trial will be conducted at the end of term.

EXPECTED EVALUATION METHODOLOGY

Pass/Fail

Students are required to attend all classes and be prepared to actively participate in all classroom discussions and practical exercises.

Two unexcused absences or failure to submit any assignments as directed will result in a FAIL.

Please note that all students are required to attend three special evening sessions during the last scheduled week of class (usually the week prior to the last week of classes generally) for the purposes of conducting their mock trials. The mock trials will be scheduled from Monday to Friday, exact days TBD to accommodate courts availability. Consideration will also be given to class conflicts. Students who are unable to attend all three sessions should not register for 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).