

Course Outline IMPR9101

Introduction to Canadian Law and Policy



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COURSE DESCRIPTION

This is the first course in a seven course program for learners working towards becoming Registered Canadian Immigration Consultants. It introduces the practice and regulation of immigration consultants. The course will include an introduction to Canadian immigration history, Canadian citizenship and the formulation of immigration law and policy. This course begins with an introduction to Canadian immigration history and the formulation of immigration law and policy. The course will focus on the sources of immigration law, the decision-making organizations, and the principles of administrative law and citizenship matters. Learners will familiarize themselves with relevant immigration documents and the roles of the decision making organizations. They will learn strategies for researching and interpreting case law and rules for legal citation and communication. Learners will also explore citizenship matters and practice completing application forms. This course provides a firm base from which to explore the different aspects of immigration in the courses that follow it.

PREREQUISITES	N/A
DELIVERY FORMAT	Blended Learning
HOURS	72
FEE	\$1140.00

LEARNING OUTCOMES

Learners will demonstrate an understanding of the historical context that has influenced Canadian immigration policy. Learners will be able to describe the sources of immigration law and be familiar with the organizations involved in deciding immigration, citizenship, and refugee protection matters.

By the end of this course, through in-class and online activities and assessments, learners will demonstrate an understanding of the following:

- the constitutional and judicial framework that shapes Canadian immigration policy
- the historical context (e.g., macro world immigration patterns, globalization, etc.) that has influenced Canadian immigration policy
- current Canadian legal terminology applicable to Canadian immigration law and other relevant legislation
- the concepts and grounds of inadmissibility
- the federal departments and agencies that have a role in immigration services
- the major categories and classes of immigration
- policy implementation at the federal and provincial/territorial levels
- the sources of research in immigration
- the principles of administrative law



- the types of administrative tribunals
- procedural fairness, natural justice, fundamental justice and the difference and interrelationship between the three
- standard of review and relevant case law
- tribunals and jurisdiction
- discretion in administrative law
- burden of proof and standard of proof
- remedies in administrative law
- administrative agencies and tribunals processes
- the Immigration and Refugee Board
- the difference between tribunals and courts
- the process of preparing clients and witnesses
- appeals and judicial reviews
- the impact of verbal and non-verbal communication
- the permitted scope of practice
- the meaning and implications of the Council's Code of Professional Ethics
- citizenship requirements and processes

Learners will also demonstrate an ability to undertake the following:

- explain Canada's judicial system as it applies to immigration
- explain the objectives of Canada's immigration law
- present evidence and testimony
- prepare and deliver oral/written submissions
- search relevant immigration-related websites
- assess the reliability and credibility of resources
- employ research methodologies to solve problems
- collect, analyze and organize information
- use Canadian legal terminology
- interpret and apply statutes and regulations
- communicate effectively and appropriately with clients, government, and other entities (e.g., non-governmental organizations, employers, etc.)
- prepare business documents (e.g., letters, e-mails, memos, agreements, etc.)
- apply the Code of Professional Ethics to given situations
- apply a decision-making process to ethical dilemmas
- define Canadian citizenship
- assess citizenship status (loss and acquisition)
- determine eligibility for Canadian citizenship
- determine required documentation to process applications for citizenship
- complete residency questionnaires and provide supporting documents



PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

Learner progress will be assessed based on a combination of participation, attendance, assignments, quizzes and activities completed throughout the course and a multiple choice final exam. Participation, attendance, assignments, quizzes and activities will count for 50% of the course mark and the final exam will count for 50% of the course mark.

ASSESSMENT	WEIGHT
Attendance and Participation	10%
Completion of Online Activities	30%
Unit Quizzes	10%
Final Exam	50%

EXAMS AND EVALUATIONS

In order to pass the course, learners must achieve at least 65% on the final exam and 70% or above in a combined mark of all grades.

In the instance that a learner should not achieve 65% on the course final exam, they will be given the opportunity to rewrite the exam within seven days.

ASSIGNMENTS

Assignments are marked based on successful completion. Late assignments will only be accepted with permission from the instructor.

TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS

In order to complete this course, you must have access to a computer or laptop to access the online activities. You must have Adobe Reader 8 or higher to view IRCC forms and documents.