

**JLS\*1000: Introduction to Justice and Law****Credit Weighting:** 0.50**Pre-/Co-Requisites:****Restrictions:** Restricted to students in  
BAH.JLS, BAH.JLS:C,  
BAH.POLS  
and BAH.POLS:C**INSTRUCTOR INFORMATION****Name:** Mark Harding**Email:** mark.harding**Office Location:** MacKinnon 546**GENERAL DETAILS**

This course introduces students to the concepts of justice and the relationships between justice, law, politics, society, and judicial process, including issues of access to justice. Competing notions of justice, such as corrective, restorative, distributive, natural, and social justice, will be applied to political, social and legal issues through the lens of "great cases." Students will be expected to critically engage competing accounts of justice by reading about prominent legal decisions and trials. Engaging these cases will allow students to consider the political and social context as well as the legal outcomes. Students will become familiar with competing accounts of justice, and to understand how justice within the legal process is established, defended, and contested.

**LEARNING OBJECTIVES**

- Understand the foundational terms and concepts related to legal studies and the judicial process
- Define and distinguish different accounts of justice and apply them to relevant cases
- Be able to effectively communicate the course material, in both oral and written form

**METHOD OF ASSESSMENT**

Course requirements may include:

Seminar participation

Online quizzes

Mid-term test

Final examination

**REQUIRED READING**

Allan C. Hutchinson, *Is Eating People Wrong? Great Legal Cases and How They Shaped the World* (Cambridge Press, 2011).

Additional readings will be made available through Courselink