Session:
Online – Winter 2022

Course Objectives:
This course presents an overview of the mechanisms of Quebec estate law and how they work. Its objective is not to enable the student to settle all aspects of the devolution of an estate, but rather to provide a general and concrete understanding of the rules and issues involved.

At the end of the course, the student should be able to identify the basic principles of estate devolution in Quebec.

Course Content:

1. The opening of the estate and the qualities required to succeed
2. The transmission of the estate
3. Legal devolution of estates
4. The Wills
5. Administration of the estate

Teaching Methods:
Videos, individual reading, at home exercises.

Evaluation:
Prejudicial intra-semester exam on Brightspace, counting for 30% of the final grade.
Final exam counting for 70% of the final grade.

Mandatory course material: Civil code of Québec and course notes
OUTLINE AND SCHEDULE

Course 1 – (Module 1) Introduction

Course 2 – (Module 2) The guiding principles of legal devolution

Course 3 – (Module 3) Representation and the split

Course 4 – (Module 4) Right of option

Course 5 – (Module 5) Substantive rules of the will

Course No. 6 - (Module 6) Rules of form of the will

Course No. 7 – EXAM – Mid-term

Course No. 8 – WINTER Break

Course No. 9 – (Module 7) Legacies

Course No. 10 – (Module 8) Revocation of wills and legacies

Course No. 11 – (Module 9) The survival of the obligation to provide support

Course No. 12 – (Module 10) Liquidation of the estate : appointment and power of the liquidator

Course No 13-  (Module 11) Liquidation of the estate : payment of debts and legacies

FINAL EXAM: Date to be determined