

**CHURCH LAW 5452A**  
**INTRODUCTION TO CANON LAW**  
**COURSE OUTLINE**  
**SEPTEMBER – DECEMBER 2017**

September 7:	Introduction
September 14:	History of the Development of Canon Law
September 21:	<i>Class cancelled (Council of Priests)</i>
September 28:	Theological Foundations, Structures, Language, Sources of Legislation
October 5:	Book I: General Norms: Persons, Offices
October 12:	<i>Reading Week</i>
October 19:	Book I: General Norms: Power of Governance
October 26:	Book I: General Norms: Dispensation
November 2:	Book II: The People of God: The Rights of the Christian Faithful
November 9:	<i>Class cancelled (Presentation in Toronto)</i>
November 16:	Book II: The People of God: Hierarchical Structures
November 23:	Book II: The People of God: Parishes and Pastors
November 30:	The Eastern Catholic Churches

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1. Short answer test **Thursday, October 19**; one hour.
2. Written exam at the end of the semester, during the Examination Period.
3. Required texts:

*Code of Canon Law. Latin-English Edition. New Edition Translation.* Prepared under the auspices of the Canon Law Society of America, Washington, D.C., Canon Law Society of America, 1999, xliii – 751 p.

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