OSGOODE’S
GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN LAW FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT PROFESSIONALS

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Designed and co-taught by law enforcement professionals, this flexible, part-time program focuses on the substantive law issues confronting policing professionals in their day-to-day work.

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The application deadline to start in September 2020 is May 15, 2020.

The tuition, which includes both years of the Graduate Diploma in Law and required course materials, is $12,600 for domestic students and $21,000 for international students. Tuition is billed in 6 installments over the 6 terms of the program. This excludes centrally collected ancillary and student referenda fees.

Please visit the tuition section on our website for up-to-date details on fees, including payment schedules and video conferencing costs.

Program Format

This two-year, part-time diploma requires completion of 18 credits. An average course load consists of 3 credits per term, with classes typically taking place one evening every other week.

Required Courses

Police Oversight and Accountability [3 credits]
Examine the legal framework and organizations that are responsible for overseeing law enforcement professionals and holding them accountable. The focus will be on how accountability supports effective law enforcement. Students explore strategies for complying with and navigating the oversight process.

Policing Vulnerable Communities [3 credits]
Explore the complex challenges law enforcement professionals face policing vulnerable and diverse communities. Topics include policing Indigenous and racialized communities, people suffering from mental health challenges, those affected by poverty and homelessness, and members of the LGBTQ community.

Policing and the Charter [6 credits]
Analyse how the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms influences and limits police powers. It involves an examination of the major decisions of the courts and their legal repercussions in areas especially relevant to law enforcement professionals, including detention and arrest, search and seizure, the exclusionary rule, the presumption of innocence and the right to counsel.

Electives Courses

Foundations of Evidence for Law Enforcement Professionals [3 credits]
Investigate key legal and ethical issues in evidence. Topics may include privilege, admissibility, disclosure, police testimony, and evidence gathering. The focus is on how these legal and ethical issues impact law enforcement professionals.

Legal Issues Related to Managing Law Enforcement Professionals [3 credits]
Delve into the key legal issues confronting managers of law enforcement professionals. This course explores current and emerging issues in employment, human rights and labour law, including the role of the union and strategies for managing a unionized workplace.

You may choose additional electives from the Criminal Law & Procedure LLM, if available. Complete descriptions for the following courses are available on our website.

- Wrongful Convictions [3 credits]
- Aboriginal People and the Criminal Justice System [3 credits]
- Anti-terrorism and the Criminal Law: Current and Emerging Issues [3 credits]

Note: Faculty, curriculum, course descriptions, degree requirements and tuition are subject to change without notice. Please visit our website for the most up-to-date information.