Required Reading:
Linda Dranoff, Women in Canadian Life: Law
National Advisory Council on the Status of Women, Wife Battering: The Vicious Circle
Lorene Clark and Debra Lewis, Rape: The Price of Coercive Sexuality
Pocket Criminal Code of Canada
People's Law School Labour Law
Civil Liberties
Welfare Rights and G.A.I.N.
Family Relations Act of B.C.
Divorce Act of Canada
Reprint Package - to be purchased in class.

WEEK ONE:
Lecture: Introduction
Reading: "Perspective", Women in Canadian Life: Law
(hereafter Law)

WEEK TWO:
Lecture: The Right To Beat Your Wife
Reading: Wife Battering: The Vicious Circle
Film: A Common Assault

WEEK THREE:
Lecture: Woman as Victim
Reading: L. Clark & D. Lewis, Rape: The Price of Coercive Sexuality, Criminal Code, s. 143.
Film: This Film Is About Rape

WEEK FOUR:
Lecture: The Desexualization Of Rape
Reading: Clark & Lewis, Rape: The Price Of Coercive Sexuality, Criminal Code, s. 244.
R. v. Pappajohn

WEEK FIVE:
Lecture: The Right to Own Our Bodies: Abortion
Reading: Criminal Code, ss. 251-252 Law, pp. 39-43
R. v. Morgentaler*

WEEK SIX:
Guest Lecture: Pornography: Eroticism or Sadism
Reading: To be announced

WEEK SEVEN:
Lecture: The "Crime" of Prostitution
Reading: "Women as Citizens", Law R.v Deborah Hutt
Criminal Code, s. 195

WEEK EIGHT:
Lecture: The Married Woman: Divorce
Reading: The Divorce Act of Canada*
"Woman as Wife", Law

WEEK NINE:
Lecture: The Married Woman: Custody and Maintenance
Reading: The Divorce Act of Canada*
The Family Relations Act*
"Woman as Mother", Law
Knoll, I., Bernhardt

WEEK TEN:
Lecture: The Married Woman: Property: Equality at Last?
Reading: "Property", Law
The Family Relations Act, Part 3*
Murdoch v. Murdoch*
Russell v. Russell*
Sinclair v. Sinclair*

WEEK ELEVEN:
Lecture: The Single Woman
Reading: "The Single Woman", Law
Family Relations Act, Part 2
Coles v. Ferguson

WEEK TWELVE:
Lecture: Human Rights Legislation
Reading: People's Law School, Civil Liberties
Canadian Bill of Rights*
Human Rights Code*
Lavelle v. Q*
Bliss v. Q.

WEEK THIRTEEN:
Lecture: Women and unions
Reading: People's Law School Labour Law

Written Assignment
In addition to your participation in tutorials, you will be expected to complete one term paper. The length should be 15 to 25 pages. You should choose your topic in consultation with me. Since there is little adequate material available in this field, I welcome any original research you may wish to do.

Grading
Class participation will be worth 20%, and the term paper 80%.

Prerequisite:
60 credit hours or permission of the instructor.

*Items designated with an asterisk are in a reprint package to be purchased in class.