

Brief Course Outline

Course Title: **Animals in Law and Policy**

Course Number and Section:

GLE

3011F 550

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Course Description:

This course examines the diverse positions of animals in law and in public and private sector policy. It focuses on debates about and strategies for improving animals' social, political, and legal statuses.

Learning Outcomes:

- a) identify, understand, and explain how different groups of animals are positioned in law and policy
- b) explain key debates about animals' social and legal positions and how these relate to public and organizational policies and investments, and develop corresponding arguments
- c) articulate how the threats to and wellbeing of animals and people are both distinct and connected
- d) demonstrate high quality verbal and written communication skills
- e) assess and recommend responsive, proactive, and context-specific plans to protect animals and people

Textbooks and Course Materials:

Coulter, K. (2023) *Defending Animals: Finding Hope on the Front Lines of Animal Protection* (The MIT Press).

Methods Of Evaluation:

Assignment	Due Date mm/dd/yy	Weight - %
Midterm	10/22/24	25
Policy Proposal	Various	20
Contributions	Ongoing	20
Final Exam	TBD	35

In solidarity with the Anishinaabe, Haudenosaunee, Lūnaapéewak, and Chonnonton peoples on whose traditional treaty and unceded territories this course is shared.

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