# Course Outline

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## Course Evaluation
- Major Paper 85%
- Research Paper Summary Presentation 15%

## Course Deadlines
- Topic Approval – January 30
- Paper Outline – February 27
- Draft Paper (optional) – March 27
- Final Paper – April 22 before 4:00pm

### Student Requests for Accommodation
Requests for special accommodation for reasons such as illness, injury or family emergency will require an application to the Law School Studies Committee. Such requests (for example, for assignment extensions) must be made to Associate Dean, Academic Michael Deturbide or the Director of Student Services and Engagement Dana-Lyn Mackenzie as soon as possible, before a scheduled exam or a deadline for an assignment, and will generally require documentation. Retroactive accommodation will not be provided. Please note that individual professors cannot entertain accommodation requests.
Students may request accommodation for either classroom participation or the writing of tests and exams due to barriers related to disability, religious obligation, or any characteristic under the Nova Scotia Human Rights Act. Students who require such accommodation must make their request to the Advising and Access Services Center (AASC) at the outset of the regular academic year. Please visit www.dal.ca/access for more information and to obtain the Request for Accommodation – Form A. Students may also contact the Advising and Access Services Centre directly at (902) 494-2836.

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Major papers and assignments must be submitted in hard copy. Students should hand papers in to the place stipulated by the instructor and ensure they are date and time stamped. Please read the law school policy on late penalties: https://www.dal.ca/faculty/law/current-students/jd-students/academic-regulations.html

Please note students may also be required to provide an identical electronic copy of their paper to the instructor by the due date. Papers may be submitted by the instructor to a text-matching software service to check for originality. Students wishing to choose an alternative method of checking the authenticity of their work must indicate to the instructor, by no later than the add/drop date of the course, which one of the following alternative methods they choose:

- a) submit copies of multiple drafts demonstrating development of their work
- b) submit copies of sources
- c) submit an annotated bibliography

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Course Text

Readings in International Environmental Law 2019 will be available on the International Environmental Law Brightspace and can be accessed by logging into http://dal.brightspace.com.

Other Texts

*Introduction to International Environmental Law*, Timo Koivurova (Routledge, 2014)
*Environmental Principles: From Political Slogans to Legal Rules*, Nicolas de Sadeleer (Oxford University Press, 2002)
*Sustainable Development and International Law*, Winfried Lang (ed) (Graham & Trotman/Martinus Nijhoff, 1995)