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## Celebrating International Women's Day: Insights from Osgoode's Program Directors

To celebrate International Women's Day on March 8, we were excited to share insights from women who have made significant strides in their careers. At Osgoode Professional Development, we had the privilege of interviewing four remarkable women program directors – **Jinyan Li**, **Janet Walker**, **Julia McNally**, and **Andrea Lee** – each with a unique journey and valuable insights to share. [Read more](#)



## Navigating the Civil Sexual Assault Claims Landscape

*"At end of day, I will never care as much about a fight over money as I care about a fight to restore someone's sense of dignity and control over their own bodies and lives,"* says **Gillian Hnatiw**, the co-chair of OsgoodePD's 2024 Guide to **Civil Sexual Assault Claims**. As the complexity of the sexual assault landscape has grown, so too has the need for specialized continuing education, according to **Alexi Wood**, Hnatiw's co-chair for the OPD program. *"It's not really an area in which people can or should dabble,"* she says. *"It does take a particular skillset for both plaintiff and defence counsel and if you don't really know some of the issues in the area, you can end up doing a lot of harm."* [Read more](#)

## Charter Challenges (1h 25m)

At this year's **Osgoode Certificate in Handling Summary Conviction Offence Cases**, **Julianna Greenspan** (Greenspan Partners LLP), **Jason Balgopal** (Assistant Crown Attorney) and **The Hon. Justice Rick Libman** examine the key sections of the *Charter* and their application to summary conviction offences.



## Alumni Profile Hilary Chung

**Hilary Chung** on how conversations on medicine with her father, who is a doctor, inspired her interest in public-health issues, and how **Osgoode's LLM in Health Law's** online classes provided a flexibility that allowed her to balance her studies with a burgeoning career. [Read more](#)



## Faculty Profile Annie Noa Kenet and Eric Sadvari

**Annie Noa Kenet** and **Eric Sadvari**, co-chairs of the new **Financial Statements for Family**

Their review includes a focus on unreasonable search and seizure, right to counsel, disclosure and unreasonable delay, exclusion of evidence as well as an overview of *Charter* claims and available remedies.

[Watch the full session here:](#)

## Charter Challenges

An excerpt from *The Osgoode Certificate in Handling Summary Conviction Offence Cases*



with

**Jason Balgopal**, Assistant Crown Attorney, Scarborough Crown Attorney's Office, Ministry of the Attorney General (Ontario)

**Julianna Greenspan**, Greenspan Partners LLP

**The Hon. Rick Libman**, Ontario Court of Justice



**Lawyers Boot Camp**, on how underrated the financial statement is, how this program came to be from the **Osgoode Certificate in Family Law Skills and Practice**, and how they aim to transform the way family lawyers think about this critical family law document.

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## Upcoming Events and Deadlines

<b>Certificate in Equity, Diversity and Inclusion in the Workplace</b>	<a href="#">Starts April 3</a>
<b>Professional LLM Info Session (Canadian Lawyers)</b> (Complimentary)	<a href="#">April 9 &amp; 25</a>
<b>Canadian Fintech Summit</b> ( <i>Sponsored by OsgoodePD</i> )	<a href="#">April 9 &amp; 10</a>
<b>Current and Emerging Issues in Elder Law</b>	<a href="#">April 11</a>
<b>Osgoode's Constitutional Cases Conference</b> ( <i>Sponsored by OsgoodePD</i> )	<a href="#">April 12</a>
<b>Professional LLM Info Session (For those with no prior law degree)</b> (Complimentary)	<a href="#">April 18</a>
<b>Residential Landlord-Tenant Disputes 2024: Essentials for Lawyers and Paralegals</b>	<a href="#">April 19</a>
<b>Certificate in Handling Summary Conviction Offence Cases</b>	<a href="#">Starts April 20</a>
<b>20th Anniversary: National Annual Class Actions Symposium</b>	<a href="#">April 25 &amp; 26</a>
<b>Drop-in Advising for Internationally Trained Lawyers and International Applicants</b>	<a href="#">Weekly</a>
<b>View all upcoming Certificates, short courses and conferences</b>	<a href="#">Learn more</a>
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