

February 2026



## Criminal Law and Procedure LLM prisons elective sheds light on the 'back end' of the justice system

Dr. Lisa Kerr brings her expertise in prison law to **Osgoode's Professional LLM in Criminal Law and Procedure** with the new elective Prisons and Prisoners. The course expands the program's focus beyond guilt and innocence to explore the regulation and lived experience of imprisonment.

[Read more](#)



## Osgoode Program Addresses Technological and Procedural Challenges in E-Discovery

Osgoode's **Certificate in e-Discovery, Information Governance and Privacy** continues to evolve alongside the profession. **Co-directors Susan Wortzman and Gordon Lee** share how AI, exploding data volumes and procedural reforms are reshaping the field – and why now is a pivotal moment for legal professionals to deepen their expertise.

[Read more](#)

## Financing Mining Projects (1h:35m)

**The Osgoode Certificate in Mining Law** covers essential topics critical to the industry, including how mining projects are financed. Eva Bellissimo and Christopher Langdon explain the types and sources of financing, including the use of strategic partners and the pros and cons of hedging as a risk management strategy. Hear about the complexities involved in the secured financing of mining projects and how it can be integrated into operations.

[Watch the full session here:](#)

## Spotlight



### Ashkan Alavi on IP Law and his career goals

Engineer-turned-IP leader **Ashkan Alavi** found the perfect complement to his technical background in **Osgoode's Professional LLM in Intellectual Property Law**. He reflects on how the program strengthened his legal foundation and prepared him for strategic patent work in today's fast-moving innovation landscape.

[Read more](#)



### Professor Martin Petrin brings a global lens to

## Financing Mining Projects

An excerpt from The Osgoode Certificate in *Mining Law*

Presented by: Eva Bellissimo and Christopher Langdon



### Business Law

Corporate law rarely has one “right” answer. **Professor Martin Petrin** explains how his international career shapes his teaching in **Osgoode’s LLM in Business Law** – blending doctrine, negotiation exercises and real-world deal experience to prepare students for complex global practice.

[Read more](#)

## Upcoming Events and Deadlines

<b>FACL Ontario's 19th Annual Conference and Gala</b> ( <i>Sponsored by OsgoodePD</i> ):	<a href="#">March 7</a>
<b>Barbara Schlifer Commemorative Clinic's 5th Annual SHE MATTERS Fundraiser</b> ( <i>Sponsored by OsgoodePD</i> )	<a href="#">March 29</a>
<b>Justice Rewired: AI at the Frontlines of Crime and Criminal Justice</b>	<a href="#">March 10</a>
<b>Certificate in Human Resources Law for HR Professionals</b>	<a href="#">Starts March 24</a>
<b>The Osgoode Certificate in Family Law Practice Skills</b>	<a href="#">Starts March 24</a>
<b>The Osgoode Certificate in Negotiation</b>	<a href="#">Starts March 27</a>
<b>Ontario Construction Liens – Advanced Issues and Strategies</b>	<a href="#">March 27</a>
<b>The Osgoode Certificate in Mining Law</b>	<a href="#">Starts April 10</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>
<b>View all LLM programs and application deadlines</b>	<a href="#">Learn more</a>
<b>View all info sessions for all Professional LLM specializations</b>	<a href="#">Learn more</a>

### Interested in learning more about our programs?

Sign up to receive updates specific to your area of interest.

[Sign Up](#)

### We'd love to hear from you!

Please [email us](#) with your feedback, questions or submission suggestions.

---

### Contact Us

Phone: 416-597-9724

Email: [OsgoodePD@osgoode.yorku.ca](mailto:OsgoodePD@osgoode.yorku.ca)

---

### Follow Us

[LinkedIn](#) | [Instagram](#) | [Facebook](#) | [X](#)

A World Leader in Law School Lifelong Learning

© 2025 Osgoode Professional Development.

[Manage](#) your preferences | [Opt out](#) using TrueRemove®

Got this as a forward? [Sign up](#) to receive our future emails.

View this email [online](#).

1 Dundas Street West, 26th Floor  
Toronto, Ontario | M5G 1Z3 CA

This email was sent to .

*To continue receiving our emails, add us to your address book.*

emma®

[Subscribe](#) to our email list.

---