



As part of our popular Lunch Talk Series McLaughlin College Proudly Presents:

Emergency Management and Civil Liberties

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The Covid 19 pandemic in Canada is a public health emergency which has triggered emergency action on the part of government. Such action has entailed the use of emergency management legislation by all levels of government and resulted in a range of restrictions on a variety of rights. This seminar will canvas the effects of the use of emergency powers on civil liberties and will examine issues concerning the potential overreach of governmental use of these powers. These issues in turn raise questions about the nature of the rule of law and the ethics of the use of emergency powers.

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WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2020

12:30 – 1:30 PM via ZOOM

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