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# MIND AND CRIMINAL RESPONSIBILITY:

A SHORT HISTORY FROM ARISTOTLE TO OUR  
MODERN CANADIAN CRIMINAL CODE

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4:00-5:00 PM IN ROOM HA 021  
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This talk will briefly review Greek, Roman, Jewish and Christian concepts of moral responsibility, then the evolution of criminal responsibility in England, culminating with a discussion of the M'Naughten Rule. We will end with a discussion of our modern Canadian Criminal Code, and its evolution from both ancient concepts and the English development of law of criminal responsibility.