

**COLLEGE OF LAW  
AND JUSTICE  
HANDBOOK 2018**

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# HOW TO USE THIS HANDBOOK

Victoria University's 2018 College of Law and Justice Handbook is designed to provide students with detailed information on course structures and unit details for undergraduate and postgraduate courses offered by the college in 2018.

The definition of fields used in course tables throughout this handbook include:

Credit Point – the number of credit points a unit contributes towards the total points needed to complete a course.

## PLEASE NOTE

This handbook provides a guide to courses available within Victoria University's College of Law and Justice in 2018.

Although all attempts have been made to make the information as accurate as possible, students should check with the college that the information is accurate when planning their courses.

NOTE: Prospective students are strongly advised to search the University's online courses database at [www.vu.edu.au/courses](http://www.vu.edu.au/courses) for the most up-to-date list of courses.

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## OTHER INFORMATION

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# College of Law and Justice

Below are details of courses offered by the College of Law and Justice in 2018.

This information is also available online on the University's searchable courses database at [www.vu.edu.au/courses](http://www.vu.edu.au/courses)

NOTE: Courses available to international students are marked with the (I) symbol

## Bachelor of Laws/Bachelor of Business

**Course Code:** BBLL

**Campus:** Footscray Park, City Queen, City Flinders.

**About this course:** We understand that students' need to determine personal paths in life, customising a degree leading to individual careers. The Bachelor of Laws / Bachelor of Business offers students the flexibility and the professional development needed to do this. This double degree meets academic and professional requirements for graduates to be admitted to legal practice in Australia. It also offers graduates the opportunity to develop their skill, knowledge and professional acumen across a range of business specialisations, preparing them for careers in the legal community, business and government. This course provides a focus on both practical and theoretical learning, both in legal profession and in other business settings.

**Course Objectives:** On successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. Integrate conceptual understandings of the Australian legal system, fundamental areas of legal and business knowledge and relevant specialist bodies of knowledge within the disciplines of law and business;
2. Review, analyse, adapt and apply broad and coherent theoretical and technical knowledge of law and business and underlying principles and concepts in diverse contemporary local and international comparative contexts;
3. Identify, articulate and respond to legal and business issues by analysing and applying information with initiative and judgement in order to both anticipate and creatively solve problems and promote justice in authentic/contemporary professional, community and global settings;
4. Exhibit professional accountabilities and ethical judgement, by evaluating, synthesising and adapting knowledge, skills, legal reasoning and research to make appropriate responses to legal issues that reflect the legal, social, political and contextual factors;
5. Communicate a clear, coherent and independent exposition of knowledge and skills appropriate for legal and non-legal audiences, in both oral and written form;
6. Reflect on personal learning and skills in relation to career goals and implement effective, creative strategies to promote lifelong learning and pathways to further learning including a commitment to ongoing professional development;
7. Apply personal and interpersonal competencies including organisational and collaborative skills, necessary to operate in the immensely divergent and complex global and Australian cultures; and
8. Contribute effectively, with personal accountability for outcomes in a dynamic 21st century work team, working in an ethical and socially responsible manner.

**Careers:** Graduates of the Bachelor of Laws / Bachelor of Business Graduates will meet the academic requirements as required by the Victorian Legal Admissions Board. Admission as an Australia lawyer can be obtained after successful completion of the 'practical legal training' requirements. They also have the opportunity to begin careers in a legal capacity in a government department or agency such as Treasury or

Foreign Affairs at a federal level or in state government. They may also begin a career in community legal centres supporting legal access in particular geographic locations. There is also the opportunity to begin a career in-house in a profit or not-for-profit business. This is where the flexibility of the Bachelor of Business really allows graduates to focus their career opportunities, by developing their skill, knowledge-base and professional acumen in their business specialisation of choice.

**Course Duration:** 5 years

**Admission Requirements:** Successful completion of VCE (or equivalent); VCE English requirements: Units 3 and 4 - a study score of at least 30 in English (EAL) or 25 in any other English. Applicants may be required to participate in an interview as part of the selection process.

**Admission Requirements Mature Age:** Mature age students are encouraged to apply for admission. Academic record including Grade Point Average. Relevant work experience may be considered in the absence of an academic record. Applicants who have not completed Year 12 but who possess appropriate educational qualifications, work or life experiences which would enable them to successfully undertake the course, will be considered for admission. Applicants may be required to participate in an interview as part of the selection process.

**Selection Processes:** Other Applicants who have not completed Year 12 but who possess appropriate educational qualifications, work or life experiences which would enable them to successfully undertake the course, will be considered for admission. Applications are also welcome from students who have successfully completed at least one year in another undergraduate degree, including Bachelor of Business or Bachelor of Legal Services. Applicants may be required to participate in an interview as part of the selection process.

## COURSE STRUCTURE

To attain the Bachelor of Laws/ Bachelor of Business students will be required to complete 480 credit points consisting of:

- 264 credit points of core law units of study
- 84 credit points of core business units including the Integrated Business Challenge
- 12 credit points of International Business Challenge
- 96 credit points of business major including the Applied Business Challenge
- 24 credit points of Law electives from the list below (Law Elective 1 will be delivered in block mode)
- Continuing students (ie those who commenced the degree prior to 2018) who have not completed LLW1001 Criminal Law by S1 2018 will be required to undertake LLW1001 Criminal Law and LLW1002 Criminal Investigation, Procedure and Sentencing.

Business majors include:

- Accounting
- Banking and Finance
- Event Management
- Financial Risk Management
- Human Resource Management

- Information Systems Management
- International Hospitality Management
- International Tourism Management
- International Trade
- Management and Innovation
- Marketing
- Music Industry
- Supply Chain and Logistics Management

NOTE: depending on student's chosen major, additional units and/or time may be required for course completion. To be awarded a Bachelor of Laws with Honours: Students who enrolled in the Bachelor of Laws prior to 31 Dec 2014 may be awarded a Bachelor of Laws with Honours (Class H1, H2A, H2B or H3). The class of honours will be determined by their GPA score in BLB4142/LLW5901. This GPA score will be calculated by the College of Law and Justice. To be awarded a Bachelor of Laws (Honours) (For students enrolled post 1 January 2015): Students in any Bachelor of Laws course may apply to transfer into any Bachelor of Laws (Honours) once they have completed a minimum 192 credit points and have attained an average mark of Distinction or above i.e. 70–100% in those units.

#### First Year Core

BAO1101	Accounting for Decision Making	12
BCO1102	Information Systems for Business	12
BE01105	Economic Principles	12
BLB1101	Australian Legal System in Context	12
BLB1114	Legal Research Methods	12
BMO1102	Management and Organisation Behaviour	12
BPD1100	Integrated Business Challenge	12
BE01106	Business Statistics	12

#### Year 2, Semester 1

BLB1102	Contracts 1	12
BHO1171	Introduction to Marketing	12
LLW1000	Introduction to Public Law	12
LLW1003	Legal Writing and Drafting	12

#### Year 2, Semester 2

BLB1115	Torts	12
LLW1001	Criminal Law	12
LLW1002	Criminal Investigation, Procedure and Sentencing	12
LLW2003	Statutory Interpretation	12

#### Year 3, Semester 1

BLB2119	Corporations Law 1	12
BLB2122	Advocacy and Communication	12
12 credit point Law Elective 1		
12 credit point Business Major Unit 1		
Year 3, Semester 2		
LLW3000	Australian Administrative Law	12
BLB2125	Real Property Law	12
BPD2100	International Business Challenge	12
12 credit point Business Major Unit 2		
Year 4, Semester 1		
BLB3130	Interviewing and Negotiation Skills	12
BLB2121	Legal Theory	12
12 credit point Business Major Unit 3		
12 credit point Business Major Unit 4		
Year 4, Semester 2		
LLW5000	Advanced Commercial Law	12
LLW5001	Corporations Law 2	12
12 credit point Business Major Unit 5		
12 credit point Business Major Unit 6		
Year 5, Semester 1		
BLB4136	Equity and Trusts	12
LLW4000	Civil Procedure	12
LLW5003	Evidence and Criminal Procedure	12
12 credit point Business Major Unit 7		
Year 5, Semester 2		
LLW5002	Advanced Constitutional Law	12
LLW5004	Lawyers' Ethics and Professional Responsibility	12
12 credit point Business Major Unit 8 (BPD3100 Applied Business Challenge)		
12 credit point Law Elective 2		
Law Electives		
BLB3129	Intellectual Property Law	12

BLB3132	Securities Law	12	Honours for students enrolled 2015 and thereafter
BLB3133	Comparative Commercial Law	12	LLW5900 Advanced Legal Research Methods 12
BLB3134	Taxation Law	12	LLW5901 Advanced Legal Research Dissertation 12
BLB3136	Family Law in Society	12	Majors
BLB3137	Elements of Regulation	12	BMAACT Accounting
BLB3138	Criminal Law 2	12	BMABKF Banking and Finance
BLB3139	Law Reform	12	BMAEVT Event Management
BLB4104	Commercial Arbitration Law	12	BMAFNR Financial Risk Management
BLB4105	Commercial Arbitration Practice and Procedure	12	BMAHRM Human Resource Management
BLB4135	Australian Employment Law	12	BMAISM Information Systems Management
BLB4140	Privacy and Media Law	12	BMAIHM International Hospitality Management
BLB4141	International Trade Law	12	BMAITM International Tourism Management
BLB4143	Public International Law	12	BMAITD International Trade
BLB4144	European Union Law	12	BMAMAI Management and Innovation
BLB4145	Human Rights Law	12	BMAMRK Marketing
BLB4146	Wills and the Administration of Estates	12	BMAMUS Music Industry
BLO2502	Transport Law	12	BMASCL Supply Chain and Logistics Management
LLW2000	Torts 2	12	
LLW2001	Competition Law and Policy	12	<b>Bachelor of Laws</b>
LLW2002	International Law Practicum	12	<b>Course Code:</b> BLAW
LLW3001	Law in Practice 1	12	<b>Campus:</b> City Queen.
LLW3002	Alternative Dispute Resolution	12	<b>About this course:</b> The Bachelor of Laws prepares graduates for a range of careers in the legal, corporate and community sectors, government and non-government organisations. The course provides a focus on both practical and theoretical learning. Achieving a degree in Law indicates strong academic ability and readiness for postgraduate studies. This degree will provide students with a broad ranging program combining foundation subjects; the 'prescribed areas of knowledge' also known as the "Priestley Eleven" that are required for admission to legal practice in Victoria; practical subjects to hone students legal skills; and a range of electives which will enable students to explore the areas of particular interest.
LLW3003	Court and Tribunal Internship	12	
LLW3004	Current Legal Topics and Issues	12	
LLW3005	Corporate Insolvency	12	
LLW4001	Asian Law Studies	12	
LLW4002	Australian Migration Law	12	<b>Course Objectives:</b> On successful completion of this course, students will be able to:
LLW4003	Australia's Visa System	12	1. Integrate conceptual understandings of the Australian legal system, fundamental areas of legal knowledge and relevant advanced specialist bodies of knowledge within the discipline of law; 2. Critically review, analyse, adapt and apply broad and coherent theoretical and technical knowledge of law and underlying principles and concepts in diverse contemporary local and international and comparative contexts; 3. Identify, articulate and respond to legal issues by critically analysing and applying information with initiative and judgement in order to both anticipate and creatively solve problems and promote justice in authentic/contemporary
LLW4004	Sports Law	12	
LLW5902	Research Law Internship	12	
LLW5903	Mooting Competition	12	

professional, community and global settings; 4. Exhibit professional accountabilities and ethical judgement, by evaluating, synthesising and adapting knowledge, skills legal reasoning and research to make appropriate responses to legal issues that reflect the social, political and contextual factors; 5. Communicate a clear, coherent and independent exposition of knowledge and skills appropriate for legal and non-legal audiences, in both oral and written form; 6. Reflect on personal learning and skills in relation to career goals and implement effective, creative strategies to promote lifelong learning and pathways to further learning including a commitment to ongoing professional development; 7. Apply personal and interpersonal competencies including organisational and collaborative skills necessary to operate within broad parameters in the immensely divergent and complex global and Australian cultures; 8. Contribute effectively, with personal accountability for outcomes in a dynamic 21st century work team, working in an ethical and socially responsible manner.

**Careers:**The Bachelor of Laws prepares graduates to gain employment in the legal profession, the legal sector in general as well as in the government, non-government and private sectors. Upon graduation you will meet the academic requirements as required by the Victorian Legal Admissions Board. Admissions as an Australian lawyer can be obtained after successful completion of the 'practical legal training' requirements.

**Course Duration:** 4 years

**Admission Requirements:**Completion of an Australian Senior Secondary Certificate (VCE or equivalent) including Units 3 and 4 - a study score of at least 30 in English (EAL) or 25 in any other English. OR Applicants with relevant work, education and/or community experience will be considered for admission to the course.

**Admission Requirements International:**Completion of an Australian Senior Secondary Certificate (VCE or equivalent) including at least one of the following subjects: xxxx OR Completion of an Australian Diploma or Advanced Diploma (or equivalent). PLUS IELTS (or equivalent): Overall score of 6.5 (with no band less than 6.0 in Listening, Reading, Writing and Speaking).

**Admission Requirements Mature Age:** Mature age students are encouraged to apply. Academic record including Grade Point Average will be considered. Relevant work experience may be considered in the absence of an academic record.

**Selection Processes:** Other Applicants may be required to participate in an interview as part of the selection process.

#### COURSE STRUCTURE

To attain the Bachelor of Laws students will be required to complete 384 credit points consisting of:

- 96 credit points of First Year Core studies
- 168 credit points of Professional Core studies
- 120 credit points of Elective studies (from the lists below). This can include up to 48 credit points of the Global Leadership Challenge minor.

To be awarded a Bachelor of Laws with Honours: Students who enrolled in the Bachelor of Laws prior to 31 Dec 2014 may be awarded a Bachelor of Laws with Honours (Class H1, H2A, H2B or H3). The class of honours will be determined by their GPA score in BLB4142/LLW5901. This GPA score will be calculated by the

College of Law and Justice. To be awarded a Bachelor of Laws (Honours) (For students enrolled post 1 January 2015): Students in any Bachelor of Laws course may apply to transfer into any Bachelor of Laws (Honours) once they have completed a minimum 192 credit points (equivalent to 16 units) and have attained an average mark of Distinction or above i.e. 70–100% in those units.

#### First Year Core Units

BLB1101	Australian Legal System in Context	12
BLB1102	Contracts 1	12
BLB1114	Legal Research Methods	12
BLB1115	Torts	12
LLW1000	Introduction to Public Law	12
LLW1001	Criminal Law	12
LLW1002	Criminal Investigation, Procedure and Sentencing	12
LLW1003	Legal Writing and Drafting	12

#### Professional Core Units

BLB2119	Corporations Law 1	12
BLB2121	Legal Theory	12
BLB2122	Advocacy and Communication	12
BLB2125	Real Property Law	12
BLB3130	Interviewing and Negotiation Skills	12
BLB4136	Equity and Trusts	12
LLW2003	Statutory Interpretation	12
LLW3000	Australian Administrative Law	12
LLW4000	Civil Procedure	12
LLW5000	Advanced Commercial Law	12
LLW5001	Corporations Law 2	12
LLW5002	Advanced Constitutional Law	12
LLW5003	Evidence and Criminal Procedure	12
LLW5004	Lawyers' Ethics and Professional Responsibility	12

Plus

120 credit points (equivalent to 10 units) of Elective studies

**ELECTIVE UNITS** The unit code provides an indicator of the relative difficulty of one unit compared to another. For example 2000 coded units such as LLW2001, have less advanced learning outcomes, and so are recommended for first or second year



electives, while 4000 coded units are recommended as electives for study in the latter years of this course.

BLB3129	Intellectual Property Law	12
BLB3132	Securities Law	12
BLB3133	Comparative Commercial Law	12
BLB3134	Taxation Law	12
BLB3136	Family Law in Society	12
BLB3137	Elements of Regulation	12
BLB3138	Criminal Law 2	12
BLB3139	Law Reform	12
BLB4104	Commercial Arbitration Law	12
BLB4105	Commercial Arbitration Practice and Procedure	12
BLB4135	Australian Employment Law	12
BLB4140	Privacy and Media Law	12
BLB4141	International Trade Law	12
BLB4143	Public International Law	12
BLB4144	European Union Law	12
BLB4145	Human Rights Law	12
BLB4146	Wills and the Administration of Estates	12
BLO2502	Transport Law	12
LLW2000	Torts 2	12
LLW2001	Competition Law and Policy	12
LLW2002	International Law Practicum	12
LLW3001	Law in Practice 1	12
LLW3002	Alternative Dispute Resolution	12
LLW3003	Court and Tribunal Internship	12
LLW3004	Current Legal Topics and Issues	12
LLW3005	Corporate Insolvency	12
LLW4001	Asian Law Studies	12
LLW4002	Australian Migration Law	12
LLW4003	Australia's Visa System	12

LLW4004	Sports Law	12
LLW5902	Research Law Internship	12
LLW5903	Mooting Competition	12

Honours for students enrolled 2015 and thereafter

LLW5900	Advanced Legal Research Methods	12
LLW5901	Advanced Legal Research Dissertation	12

\* NOTE: The elective unit BLB4142 Advanced Legal Research Dissertation is ONLY available to students enrolled in this course since pre-2015.

Minors

ESPIDG Global Indigenous Challenge

AMITEM The Entrepreneurial Mindset

### Bachelor of Laws (Graduate Entry)

**Course Code:**BLGE

**Campus:**City Queen.

**About this course:** Upon graduation you will meet the academic requirements as required by the Victorian Legal Admissions Board. Admissions as an Australian lawyer can be obtained after successful completion of the 'practical legal training' requirements. The Bachelor of Laws Graduate Entry prepares graduate for careers in the legal community, business, government and non-government organisations. The course provides a focus on both practical and theoretical learning.

**Course Objectives:** On successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. Integrate conceptual understandings of the Australian legal system, fundamental areas of legal knowledge and relevant advanced specialist bodies of knowledge within the discipline of law;
2. Critically review, analyse, adapt and apply broad and coherent theoretical and technical knowledge of law and underlying principles and concepts in diverse contemporary local and international and comparative contexts;
3. Identify, articulate and respond to legal issues by critically analysing and applying information with initiative and judgement in order to both anticipate and creatively solve problems and promote justice in authentic/contemporary professional, community and global settings;
4. Exhibit professional accountabilities and ethical judgement, by evaluating, synthesising and adapting knowledge, skills legal reasoning and research to make appropriate responses to legal issues that reflect the social, political and contextual factors;
5. Communicate a clear, coherent and independent exposition of knowledge and skills appropriate for legal and non-legal audiences, in both oral and written form;
6. Reflect on personal learning and skills in relation to career goals and implement effective, creative strategies to promote lifelong learning and pathways to further learning including a commitment to ongoing professional development;
7. Apply personal and interpersonal competencies including organisational and collaborative skills necessary to operate within broad parameters in the immensely divergent and complex global and Australian cultures;
8. Contribute effectively, with personal accountability for outcomes in a dynamic 21st century work team, working in an ethical and socially responsible manner.

**Careers:** The course prepares graduates to gain employment in the legal profession, the legal sector generally as well as in the government, non government and private sectors. Upon graduation you will meet the academic requirements as required by the Victorian Legal Admissions Board. Admissions as an Australian lawyer can be obtained after successful completion of the 'practical legal training' requirements.

**Course Duration:** 3 years

**Admission Requirements:** Completion of an Australian Bachelor's degree or equivalent.

**Admission Requirements International:** Completion of an Australian Bachelor degree or equivalent, with a high Grade Point Average or excellent results. Postgraduate qualifications will be evaluated according to the nature of the relevant degree. An applicant must submit a statement of purpose (maximum 500 words) which includes a summary of prior work experience and reasons for applying for the course. The College Dean or delegate(s) will evaluate this statement and take it into consideration in selection. PLUS addition to academic requirements, English language requirements of an IELTS (Academic module) result with a minimum overall score of 6.5 (no band less than 6.0) or equivalent must be met.

**Admission Requirements Mature Age:** Admission into this course is based on performance in prior undergraduate studies or higher. An applicant is expected to demonstrate completion of an Australian Bachelor degree or equivalent with a high Grade Point Average or excellent results. Postgraduate qualifications will be evaluated according to the nature of the relevant degree. An applicant must submit a statement of purpose (maximum 500 words) which includes a summary of prior work experience and reasons for applying for the course. The College Dean or delegate(s) will evaluate this statement and take it into consideration in selection.

**Selection Processes:** Other Applicants may be required to participate in an interview as part of the selection process.

## COURSE STRUCTURE

To attain the Bachelor of Laws (Graduate Entry) students will be required to complete 288 credit points consisting of: 264 credit points of Core Law studies 24 credit points of Elective students (from the lists below). To be awarded a Bachelor of Laws with Honours: Students who enrolled in the Bachelor of Laws prior to 31 Dec 2014 may apply to undertake the unit BLB4142 in their later years based on a GPA of 7 or above as calculated by the College of Law and Justice. Students will be awarded a Bachelor of Laws with Honours (Class H1, H2A, H2B or H3) dependant on their GAP score and overall mark in BLB4142. To be awarded a Bachelor of Laws (Honours) (For students enrolled post 1 January 2015): Students in any Bachelor of Laws course may apply to transfer into any Bachelor of Laws (Honours) once they have completed a minimum 192 credit points (equivalent to 16 units) and have attained an average mark of Distinction or above i.e. 70–100% in those units. Students will then be required to complete units LLW5900 and LLW5901 in order to graduate with honours.

### First Year Core Units

BLB1101	Australian Legal System in Context	12
BLB1102	Contracts 1	12

BLB1114	Legal Research Methods	12
BLB1115	Torts	12
LLW1000	Introduction to Public Law	12
LLW1001	Criminal Law	12
LLW1002	Criminal Investigation, Procedure and Sentencing	12
LLW1003	Legal Writing and Drafting	12

### Year 2, Semester 1

BLB2119	Corporations Law 1	12
BLB2121	Legal Theory	12
BLB3130	Interviewing and Negotiation Skills	12
LLW2003	Statutory Interpretation	12

### Year 2, Semester 2

BLB2125	Real Property Law	12
LLW3000	Australian Administrative Law	12
LLW5000	Advanced Commercial Law	12
LLW5001	Corporations Law 2	12

### Year 3, Semester 1

BLB4136	Equity and Trusts	12
LLW4000	Civil Procedure	12
LLW5003	Evidence and Criminal Procedure	12

12 Credit Points from the list of Law Electives

### Year 3, Semester 2

BLB2122	Advocacy and Communication	12
LLW5002	Advanced Constitutional Law	12
LLW5004	Lawyers' Ethics and Professional Responsibility	12

12 Credit points selected from Law Electives

LAW ELECTIVES Students complete FOUR units (48 Credit Points) from the following list: \* NOTE: The elective unit BLB4142 Advanced Legal Research Dissertation is ONLY available to students enrolled in this course since pre-2015.

BLB3129	Intellectual Property Law	12
BLB3132	Securities Law	12
BLB3133	Comparative Commercial Law	12

BLB3134	Taxation Law	12
BLB3136	Family Law in Society	12
BLB3137	Elements of Regulation	12
BLB3138	Criminal Law 2	12
BLB3139	Law Reform	12
BLB4104	Commercial Arbitration Law	12
BLB4105	Commercial Arbitration Practice and Procedure	12
BLB4135	Australian Employment Law	12
BLB4140	Privacy and Media Law	12
BLB4141	International Trade Law	12
BLB4143	Public International Law	12
BLB4144	European Union Law	12
BLB4145	Human Rights Law	12
BLB4146	Wills and the Administration of Estates	12
BLO2502	Transport Law	12
LLW2000	Torts 2	12
LLW2001	Competition Law and Policy	12
LLW2002	International Law Practicum	12
LLW3001	Law in Practice 1	12
LLW3002	Alternative Dispute Resolution	12
LLW3003	Court and Tribunal Internship	12
LLW3004	Current Legal Topics and Issues	12
LLW3005	Corporate Insolvency	12
LLW4001	Asian Law Studies	12
LLW4002	Australian Migration Law	12
LLW4003	Australia's Visa System	12
LLW4004	Sports Law	12
LLW5902	Research Law Internship	12
LLW5903	Mooting Competition	12
Honours for students enrolled 2015 and thereafter		
LLW5900	Advanced Legal Research Methods	12

LLW5901 Advanced Legal Research Dissertation 12

## Bachelor of Criminology

Course Code: LBCR

Campus: City Queen.

**About this course:** Students will explore crime and criminology studies in order to understand the motivations that underpin criminal acts. Students will gain the knowledge and skills needed to make a difference in communities by drawing on key themes in criminology to solve real problems in the community. Important subject areas include: an Introduction to Criminology, Policing and Offending, Human Rights Law, Corporate crime, History of Criminal law and Trials, Forensic Investigations in the social context, Contemporary Issues in Criminology, Crime across Borders, Mental Illness and Law, Crime Research and Methods, the Research Project, and Law and Governance.

**Course Objectives:** On successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. Integrate conceptual understanding of criminology research, theory and practice with advanced specialist bodies of knowledge such as law and sociology;
2. Exhibit expertise and professional judgement in the application of criminological concepts to issues of law and justice in contemporary society;
3. Adapt theoretical knowledge applicable to the discipline by critically analysing and applying information with initiative and judgement in order to both anticipate and creatively solve problems and promote justice in authentic/contemporary professional, community settings; (including those that require cross-disciplinary knowledge and skills)
4. Communicate effectively to present clear and coherent independent expositions of knowledge and ideas to a variety of audiences;
5. Apply personal and interpersonal competencies including organisational and collaborative skills necessary to operate within successfully in a team;
6. Apply professional ethics and accountabilities in their practice and a commit to ongoing professional development;

**Careers:** The Bachelor of Criminology is a degree which focuses on criminal law and criminology and will provide extensive career opportunities for students to work in government, legal aid and community legal centres. Bachelor of Criminology graduates will also be able to seek career opportunities with ASIO, the police force (State and Federal), correctional services, security services (Public and Private) and in forensic work. Bachelor of Criminology graduates will have well developed cognitive technical and communication skills, allowing them to effectively engage in policy debate concerning crime and justice issues at local, state, national and international levels.

**Course Duration:** 3 years

**Admission Requirements:** Completion of an Australian Senior Secondary Certificate (VCE or equivalent) including Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 25 in English (EAL) or 20 in any other English.

**Admission Requirements Mature Age:** Mature age students with five years relevant experience in the criminal justice area.

**Admission Requirements VET:** Completion of a cognate (similar discipline) Australian Diploma or Advanced Diploma (or equivalent) will be granted advanced standing of a maximum 96 credit points (Diploma) or 144 credit points (Advanced Diploma). OR Completion of a non-cognate (not similar) Australian (or equivalent) Diploma or Advanced Diploma will be granted advanced standing on a case by case basis.

**Selection Processes:** OtherMay be a requirement to attend an interview as part of the application process.

## COURSE STRUCTURE

To attain the Bachelor of Criminology students will be required to complete 288 credit points consisting of:

- 96 credit points of First Year Core Studies
- 144 credit points of Professional Core Studies
- 48 credit points of Minor Studies (from the list below)

### First Year Core Units

BLB1101	Australian Legal System in Context	12
BLB1114	Legal Research Methods	12
BLB1115	Torts	12
LCR1001	Introduction to Criminology	12
LCR1002	Policing and Offending	12
LLW1000	Introduction to Public Law	12
LLW1001	Criminal Law	12
LLW1002	Criminal Investigation, Procedure and Sentencing	12

### Professional Core Units

ASL2002	Criminal Justice Systems 2	12
ASL2005	Forensic Investigation in Social Context	12
BLB2121	Legal Theory	12
BLB3138	Criminal Law 2	12
BLB4145	Human Rights Law	12
LCR2001	Corporate Crime	12
LCR2002	History of Criminal Law and Trials	12
LCR3001	Contemporary Issues in Criminology	12
LCR3002	Crime Across Borders	12
LCR3003	Mental Illness and Law	12
LCR3901	Crime Research and Methods	12
LCR3902	Research Project	12

### Minors

LMINT	Interpersonal Skills and Conflict Resolution	
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LMIMIG Migration

LMISEC International Security

## Bachelor of Laws/Bachelor of Arts

**Course Code:**LBLA

**Campus:**Footscray Park, City Queen.

**About this course:**We understand students' need to determine personal paths in life, creating a degree leading to individual careers. The Bachelor of Laws /Bachelor of Arts offers students the flexibility and needed to do this. This double degree provides the student with a broad ranging program so that the student can meet the academic and professional requirements in law (for admission to legal practice in Australia). It also offers graduates the opportunity to develop their skill, knowledge and professional acumen across a range of Arts Majors or Minor studies, preparing them for careers not only in the legal community, but also in the corporate and community sectors, government and non-government organisations. The course provides a focus on both practical and theoretical learning.

**Course Objectives:**On successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. Integrate conceptual understandings of the Australian legal system, fundamental areas of legal knowledge and relevant specialist bodies of knowledge within the disciplines of law and humanities.
2. Review, analyse, adapt and apply broad and coherent theoretical and technical knowledge of law and underlying principles and concepts in diverse contemporary local and international comparative contexts.
3. Identify, articulate and respond to legal and humanities issues by analysing and applying information with initiative and judgement in order to both anticipate and creatively solve problems and promote justice in authentic/contemporary professional, community and global settings.
4. Exhibit professional accountabilities and ethical judgement, by evaluating, synthesizing and adapting knowledge, skills, legal reasoning and research to make appropriate responses to legal issues that reflect the legal, social, political and contextual factors.
5. Communicate a clear, coherent and independent exposition of knowledge and skills appropriate for legal and non-legal audiences, in both oral and written form.
6. Reflect on personal learning and skills in relation to career goals and implement effective, creative strategies to promote lifelong learning and pathways to further learning including a commitment to ongoing professional development.
7. Apply personal and interpersonal competencies including organisational and collaborative skills, necessary to operate in the immensely divergent and complex global and Australian cultures.
8. Contribute effectively, with personal accountability for outcomes in a dynamic 21st century work team, working in an ethical and socially responsible manner.
9. Critically review theory and research in chosen areas of study.
10. Critically reflect on the patterns of social, cultural and political experience of society in general and share insights into their own lives.
11. Initiate, organise, undertake, and communicate research into the lives of their communities, including 'creative works as research' for students completing creative arts disciplines.
12. Exemplify academic skills in reading, note-taking and collection and organisation of resource materials including the presentation of oral and written material.
13. Collaborate with skill and confidence in group discussion and activity.
14. Exhibit interpersonal skills consistent with professional practice.

**Careers:**The Bachelor of Laws/Bachelor of Arts will continue to produce graduates with a comprehensive knowledge of law and contemporary issues concerning society, ensuring that they are 'profession ready' and suitably equipped for a successful career in business, government or the community sector. According to the Market

Assessment study conducted for Victoria University by Growth Solutions Group in 2013 the legal Services industry has experienced growth since 2005, and is forecasted to continue to grow until 2016/17. Upon graduation you will meet the academic requirements as required by the Victorian Legal Admissions Board. Admissions as an Australian lawyer can be obtained after successful completion of the 'practical legal training' requirements. A recent nation-wide survey conducted for the Higher Education Learning and Teaching Performance Fund for 2009 rated VU (with a score of 85.5) as the top university in Australia for getting its humanities, arts and education students into full-time employment. In common with Australian and international BAs, the graduate destination for VU BA graduates is less defined than in more specialist courses: rather the course provides a basis for further specialisation or development in areas that include, but are by no means limited to, librarianship, teaching, public service and community work. Another traditional graduate destination for a small number of BA graduates has been further academic study. Currently, further academic study in the area of specialisation is offered in the VU Honours program, which is a discrete course and traditionally offers a pathway into higher degree study.

**Course Duration:** 5 years

**Admission Requirements:** Successful completion of an Australian Senior Secondary Certificate (VCE or equivalent) including Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 30 in English (EAL) or 25 in any other English.

**Admission Requirements Mature Age:** Academic record including GPA (see institutional page). Relevant work experience may be considered in the absence of an academic record.

**Selection Processes:** Other Applicants with relevant work, education and/or community experience will be considered for admission to the course. Applications are also welcome from students who have successfully completed at least one year in another undergraduate degree, including Bachelor of Arts. Applicants may be required to participate in an interview as part of the selection process.

#### COURSE STRUCTURE

To attain the Bachelor of Laws/Bachelor of Arts students will be required to complete 480 credit points (equivalent to 40 units) consisting of:

- 96 credit points (equivalent to 8 units) of Law Core studies
- 168 credit points (equivalent to 14 units) of Law Professional Core units
- 24 credit points (equivalent to 2 units) of a Law Elective studies from the list below

AND

- 96 credit points (equivalent to 8 units) of Arts Major 1 studies from the list below

PLUS

- 96 credit points (equivalent to 8 units) of Arts Major 2 studies from the list below

OR

- 2 X 48 credit points (equivalent to 8 units) of Arts Minor studies from the list below.

Please note: Students selecting Arts Major 2 must choose 24 credit points (2 units) in place of ACX3005 Graduating Project 1 and ACX3006 Graduating Project 2 as these units will be covered in Major 1. The units can be selected from the following minors listed below:

- International Development
- Professional Communication
- Aboriginal Yulednj (Knowledge) and Community
- Global Leadership

To be awarded a Bachelor of Laws with Honours: Students who enrolled in the Bachelor of Laws prior to 31 Dec 2014: may be awarded a Bachelor of Laws with Honours (Class H1, H2A, H2B or H3) after completion of the BLB4142 Advanced Legal Research Dissertation unit in their final semester. The class of honours will be determined by their GPA score in BLB4142. This GPA score will be calculated by the College of Law and Justice. To be awarded a Bachelor of Laws (Honours) (For students enrolled post 1 January 2015): Students in any Bachelor of Laws course may apply to transfer into any Bachelor of Laws (Honours) once they have completed a minimum 192 credit points (equivalent to 16 units) and have attained an average mark of Distinction or above i.e. 70–100% in those units. Students will then complete LLW5900 Advanced Legal Research Methods PLUS LLW5901 Advanced Legal Research Dissertation units in their final semesters.

#### First Year Core

BLB1101	Australian Legal System in Context	12
BLB1102	Contracts 1	12
BLB1114	Legal Research Methods	12
BLB1115	Torts	12
LLW1000	Introduction to Public Law	12
LLW1001	Criminal Law	12
LLW1002	Criminal Investigation, Procedure and Sentencing	12
LLW1003	Legal Writing and Drafting	12
Professional Core		
BLB2119	Corporations Law 1	12
BLB2121	Legal Theory	12
BLB2122	Advocacy and Communication	12
BLB2125	Real Property Law	12
BLB3130	Interviewing and Negotiation Skills	12
BLB4136	Equity and Trusts	12

LLW3000	Australian Administrative Law	12	LLW3004	Current Legal Topics and Issues	12
LLW4000	Civil Procedure	12	LLW3005	Corporate Insolvency	12
LLW2003	Statutory Interpretation	12	LLW4001	Asian Law Studies	12
LLW5000	Advanced Commercial Law	12	LLW4002	Australian Migration Law	12
LLW5001	Corporations Law 2	12	LLW4003	Australia's Visa System	12
LLW5002	Advanced Constitutional Law	12	LLW4004	Sports Law	12
LLW5003	Evidence and Criminal Procedure	12	LLW5902	Research Law Internship	12
LLW5004	Lawyers' Ethics and Professional Responsibility	12	LLW5903	Mooting Competition	12
Law Electives			Honours for students enrolled 2015 and thereafter		
BLB3129	Intellectual Property Law	12	LLW5900	Advanced Legal Research Methods	12
BLB3132	Securities Law	12	LLW5901	Advanced Legal Research Dissertation	12
BLB3133	Comparative Commercial Law	12	Majors		
BLB3134	Taxation Law	12	AMAGEN	Gender Studies	
BLB3136	Family Law in Society	12	AMAVEE	Vietnamese Studies	
BLB3137	Elements of Regulation	12	AMALIT	Literary Studies	
BLB3138	Criminal Law 2	12	AMAVIE	Vietnamese Studies (Advanced)	
BLB3139	Law Reform	12	AMAPOL	Political Science	
BLB4104	Commercial Arbitration Law	12	AMASLY	Sociology	
BLB4105	Commercial Arbitration Practice and Procedure	12	AMAHIS	History	
BLB4135	Australian Employment Law	12	AMAVSU	Visual Art	
BLB4140	Privacy and Media Law	12	AMACOM	Communication Studies	
BLB4141	International Trade Law	12	AMARIT	Writing	
BLB4143	Public International Law	12	Minors		
BLB4144	European Union Law	12	AMIWRI	Writing	
BLB4145	Human Rights Law	12	AMIGEN	Gender Studies	
LLW2000	Torts 2	12	AMIDIG	Digital Media	
LLW2001	Competition Law and Policy	12	AMILIT	Literary Studies	
LLW2002	International Law Practicum	12	AMIHIS	History	
LLW3001	Law in Practice 1	12	AMIINT	International Development	
LLW3002	Alternative Dispute Resolution	12	AMIPOP	Popular Music Studies	
LLW3003	Court and Tribunal Internship	12			

AMVEE	Vietnamese Studies
AMVIE	Vietnamese Studies (Advanced)
AMIPOL	Political Science
AMIPCO	Professional Communication
AMISLY	Sociology
AMVSU	Visual Art
AMICOM	Communication Studies
EMIAGL	Aboriginal Yulendj (Knowledge) and Community
AMITEM	The Entrepreneurial Mindset

## Bachelor of Laws/ Bachelor of Criminology

**Course Code:**LBLC

**Campus:**City Queen.

**About this course:**Combining law with criminology allows students to have a broad theoretical, and applied knowledge concerning the meaning of crime; the forms, causes and consequences of crime; criminal investigation, sentencing, and security, at national and international levels. Students will also develop practical skills in investigating and providing strategic advice in relation to crime and crime management. The Bachelor of Laws satisfies the academic requirements to become an Australian Lawyer, as required by the Victorian Legal Admissions Board (VLAB). In order to become an Australian Lawyer, graduates are also required to complete Practical Legal Training or an equivalent.

**Course Objectives:**On successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. Integrate conceptual and practical understandings of criminology, the Australian legal system, and fundamental areas of legal knowledge and relevant advanced specialist bodies of knowledge within the discipline of law;
2. Critically review, analyse, adapt and apply broad and coherent theoretical and technical knowledge of law and criminology and underlying principles and concepts in diverse contemporary local and international and comparative contexts;
3. Identify, articulate and respond to legal and criminological issues by critically analysing and applying information with initiative and judgement in order to both anticipate and creatively solve problems and promote justice in authentic/contemporary professional, community and global settings;
4. Exhibit professional accountabilities and ethical judgement, by evaluating, synthesising and adapting knowledge, skills, criminological and legal reasoning and research to make appropriate responses to legal issues that reflect the social, political and contextual factors
5. Communicate a clear, coherent and independent exposition of knowledge and skills appropriate for legal and non-legal audiences, in both oral and written form;
6. Integrate conceptual understandings of the Australian legal system, fundamental areas of legal knowledge and relevant advanced specialist bodies of knowledge within the discipline of law. Reflect on personal learning and skills in relation to career goals and implement effective, creative strategies to promote lifelong learning and pathways to further learning including a commitment to ongoing professional development;
7. Critically review, analyse, adapt and apply broad and coherent theoretical and technical knowledge of law and underlying principles and concepts in diverse contemporary local and international and comparative contexts;
- 8.

Contribute effectively, with personal accountability for outcomes in a dynamic 21st century work team, working in an ethical and socially responsible manner.

**Careers:**The law/criminology degree will prepare students for a career in law and in a wide range of fields related to crime and crime management, including as lawyers, criminal barristers, investigators, policy and strategy advisors, administrators for national and international agencies and organisations.

**Course Duration:** 4.5 years

**Admission Requirements:**Completion of an Australian Senior Secondary Certificate (VCE or equivalent) including Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 30 in English (EAL) or 20 in any other English.

**Admission Requirements Mature Age:** Mature age students are encouraged to apply. Academic record including Grade Point Average will be considered. Relevant work experience may be considered in the absence of an academic record. Applicants may be required to participate in an interview as part of the selection process.

**Admission Requirements VET:** Completion of a cognate (similar discipline) Australian Diploma or Advanced Diploma (or equivalent) will be granted advanced standing of a maximum 96 credit points (Diploma) or 144 credit points (Advanced Diploma). OR Completion of a non-cognate (not similar) Australian (or equivalent) Diploma or Advanced Diploma will be granted advanced standing on a case by case basis.

**Selection Processes:** OtherMay be a requirement to attend an interview as part of the application process.

### COURSE STRUCTURE

To attain the awards of Bachelor of Law / Bachelor of Criminology students will be required to complete in total 432 credit points consisting of:

- 96 credit points of First Year Core studies
- 168 credit points of Professional Core Criminology study
- 168 credit points of Professional Core Law studies

To attain the award of Bachelor of Law (Honours) students will be required to transfer in Year 5 to LHLW Bachelor of Laws (Honours) based on eligibility and must complete:

- 24 credit points of Honours units in the final year of study

### First Year Core Units

BLB1101	Australian Legal System in Context	12
BLB1114	Legal Research Methods	12
BLB1115	Torts	12
LCR1001	Introduction to Criminology	12
LCR1002	Policing and Offending	12
LLW1000	Introduction to Public Law	12
LLW1001	Criminal Law	12

LLW1002	Criminal Investigation, Procedure and Sentencing	12
Professional Core Units		
ASL2002	Criminal Justice Systems 2	12
ASL2005	Forensic Investigation in Social Context	12
ASS3009	Sociology of Law	12
BLB1102	Contracts 1	12
BLB2119	Corporations Law 1	12
BLB2121	Legal Theory	12
BLB2122	Advocacy and Communication	12
BLB2125	Real Property Law	12
BLB3130	Interviewing and Negotiation Skills	12
BLB4136	Equity and Trusts	12
BLB3138	Criminal Law 2	12
BLB4145	Human Rights Law	12
LCR2001	Corporate Crime	12
LCR2002	History of Criminal Law and Trials	12
LCR3001	Contemporary Issues in Criminology	12
LCR3002	Crime Across Borders	12
LCR3003	Mental Illness and Law	12
LCR3901	Crime Research and Methods	12
LCR3902	Research Project	12
LLW1003	Legal Writing and Drafting	12
LLW2003	Statutory Interpretation	12
LLW3000	Australian Administrative Law	12
LLW4000	Civil Procedure	12
LLW5000	Advanced Commercial Law	12
LLW5001	Corporations Law 2	12
LLW5002	Advanced Constitutional Law	12
LLW5003	Evidence and Criminal Procedure	12
LLW5004	Lawyers' Ethics and Professional Responsibility	12

Honours units available on application only:

LLW5900	Advanced Legal Research Methods	12
LLW5901	Advanced Legal Research Dissertation	12

## Bachelor of Legal Services

**Course Code:**LBLS

**Campus:**Footscray Park, City Queen.

**About this course:**The Bachelor of Legal Services produces graduates with professional competencies and highly valued generic skills such as critical thinking, teamwork/collaboration and effective communication. You will develop a core knowledge of the principles and practices of legal services industry underpinned by specialised studies in legal writing and drafting, interviewing, and legal research and compliance. This qualification will prepare you for a career in the legal services industry although it does NOT enable you to practise law as a legal practitioner. You will engage with important ethical principles and develop appropriate professional conduct towards clients, employers, and community.

**Course Objectives:**On successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. Integrate fundamental understandings of business including accounting, management and information management with advanced specialist legal knowledge within the discipline of law or legal services;
2. Critically review, analyse, adapt and apply broad and coherent theoretical and technical knowledge of law in diverse legal services contexts;
3. Critically analyse and apply information with initiative and judgement in order to both anticipate and creatively solve problems related to legal services in authentic/contemporary settings;
4. Exhibit professional judgement, by adapting the knowledge and skills obtained to make effective decisions that reflect the social, political and/or ethical contextual factors;
5. Communicate a clear, coherent and independent exposition of knowledge and skills in both oral and written form to a range of audiences;
6. Reflect on personal learning and skills in relation to career goals and implement effective, creative strategies to promote lifelong learning and pathways to further learning;
7. Apply personal and interpersonal competencies necessary to operate within the legal services sector in the immensely divergent and complex cultures of Australia and globally; and
8. Contribute effectively, with personal accountability for outcomes in a dynamic 21st century work team, working in an ethical and socially responsible manner.

**Careers:**The course prepares graduates to gain employment in the legal sector and beyond. Possible careers include advance legal services, paralegal, compliance officers in companies, financial institutions, non-government charitable organisations, or careers in government or courts.

**Course Duration:**3 years

**Admission Requirements:**Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 25 in English (EAL) or at least 20 in any other English.

**Admission Requirements Mature Age:**Applicants with relevant work, (eg relevant paralegal experience) education and/or community experience will be considered for admission to the course.

**Admission Requirements VET:**Successful completion of a cognate (similar discipline) Australian Diploma or Advanced Diploma (or equivalent) will be granted advanced standing of up to a maximum of 96 credit points (Diploma).



**Selection Processes:** Other Candidates with backgrounds in legal service-related areas are encouraged to apply and will be considered. Applicants who have not completed Year 12 but who possess appropriate educational qualifications, work or life experiences which would enable them to successfully undertake the course, will be considered for admission. Applicants may be required to participate in an interview as part of the selection process.

## COURSE STRUCTURE

To attain the Bachelor of Legal Services students will be required to complete 288 credit points consisting of:

- 96 credit points of First Year Core units
- 96 credit points of Major studies
- 2 x 48 credit points of Minor studies

### First Year Core Units

BAO1101	Accounting for Decision Making	12
BCO1102	Information Systems for Business	12
BLB1101	Australian Legal System in Context	12
BLB1114	Legal Research Methods	12
BLO1105	Business Law	12
BMO1102	Management and Organisation Behaviour	12
LLW1003	Legal Writing and Drafting	12
NIT1103	Communication and Information Management	12

### Majors

LMALAW	Law Profession
LMAADV	Advanced Legal Services

### Minors

LMIPRI	Private Law
LMIRIG	Rights and The Law
LMICOM	Commercial and Corporate Law
LMILAW	Law in a Legal Context

## Bachelor of Laws/Bachelor of Psychological Studies

**Course Code:**LBWP

**Campus:**Footscray Park, City Queen.

**About this course:**This double degree allows students the flexibility to combine studies in psychology with a qualification in law. A background in psychological studies together with a law qualification will enhance a student's employability. The combined degree equips graduates with an understanding of themselves and others, including clients and those involved in the legal and psychological studies fields. This

5 year double degree prepares graduates for those occupations where there is an interaction between the law, psychology and mental health. The double degree will provide graduates with a career path towards eligibility for Registration as a Psychologist by the Psychology Board of Australia. The completion of the 'Priestley 11' units, as set out by the Council of Legal Education, within the course will satisfy the academic component for students wishing to be admitted as an Australian Lawyer, in the Supreme Court of Victoria. The course learning outcomes include the concepts, theories and ideas central to the disciplines of law and psychological studies.

**Course Objectives:**On successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. Integrate conceptual understandings of psychology theories and fundamental areas of legal knowledge and relevant advanced specialist bodies of knowledge within the discipline of law and psychological studies;
2. Critically review, analyse, adapt and apply broad and coherent theoretical and technical knowledge of law and psychological studies and underlying principles and concepts in diverse contemporary local and international and comparative contexts;
3. Identify, articulate and respond to complex issues by critically analysing and applying information with initiative and judgement in order to both anticipate and creatively solve problems in authentic/contemporary professional, community and global settings;
4. Exhibit professional accountabilities and ethical judgement, by evaluating, synthesising and adapting knowledge, skills legal reasoning and research to make appropriate responses that reflect the social, political and contextual factors;
5. Communicate a clear, coherent and independent exposition of knowledge and skills appropriate for professional and non professional audiences, in both oral and written form;
6. Reflect on personal learning and skills in relation to career goals and implement effective, creative strategies to promote lifelong learning and pathways to further learning including a commitment to ongoing professional development;
7. Apply personal and interpersonal competencies including organisational and collaborative skills necessary to operate within broad parameters in the immensely divergent and complex global and Australian cultures;
8. Contribute effectively, with personal accountability for outcomes in a dynamic 21st century work team, working in an ethical and socially responsible manner.

**Careers:**This 5 year double degree prepares graduates for those occupations where there is an interaction between the law, psychology and mental health. The double degree will provide graduates with a global and social justice perspective, and give them an understanding of human behaviour, motivation, relationships, communication and cognitive processes. The skills and knowledge attained will give graduates an opportunity to pursue careers in areas including law, justice, the courts, work in legal community centres, work in community services and in the human resource management field.

**Course Duration:**5 years

**Admission Requirements:**Successful completion of an Australian Senior Secondary Certificate (VCE or equivalent) including Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 30 in English (EAL) or at least 25 in any other English. International Baccalaureate At least 5 in English SL or 4 in English HL or 6 in English B SL or 5 in English B HL.

**Admission Requirements Mature Age:**Applicants with relevant work, education and/or community experience will be considered for admission to the course.

**Selection Processes:** Other Applicants who have not completed Year 12 but who possess appropriate educational qualifications, work or like experiences which would

enable them to successfully undertake the course, will be considered for admission. Applications are also welcome from students who have successfully completed at least one year in another undergraduate bachelor degree with a pass average of 60% or above. Internal: Applicants currently enrolled in a Bachelor of Laws or an accredited psychology bachelor degree may also apply for the double degree, after completion of at least one semester with a pass average. Advanced Standing will be granted to successful applications for identical units already completed. Advanced Standing may be granted for appropriate prior studies at an AQF 7 level for law units and psychological studies units (where undertaken in an APAC accredited course or international equivalent). Applicants may be required to participate in an interview as part of the selection process.

#### COURSE STRUCTURE

To attain the Bachelor of Laws/Bachelor of Psychological Studies will be required to complete 480 credit points in total consisting of:

- 264 credit points core College of Law units;
- 168 credit points core Psychological Studies units;
- 24 credit points of Law electives;
- 24 credit points of Psychology electives.

#### First Year Core

APP1012	Psychology 1A	12
APP1013	Psychology 1B	12
APP1016	Foundations of Psychological Research	12
BLB1101	Australian Legal System in Context	12
BLB1102	Contracts 1	12
BLB1114	Legal Research Methods	12
ASX1003	Foundations of Social Science Research	12
LLW1000	Introduction to Public Law	12

#### Year 2, Semester 1

BLB1115	Torts	12
LLW1001	Criminal Law	12
LLW1002	Criminal Investigation, Procedure and Sentencing	12
LLW1003	Legal Writing and Drafting	12

#### Year 2, Semester 2

BLB2119	Corporations Law 1	12
BLB2121	Legal Theory	12
BLB2122	Advocacy and Communication	12
BLB2125	Real Property Law	12

#### Year 3, Semester 1

APP2013	Psychology 2A	12
APP2101	Intercultural and Developmental Issues in Psychology	12
APS2030	Qualitative Social Research Methods 1	12

12 credit points Law Elective 1

#### Year 3, Semester 2

APP2014	Psychology 2B	12
LLW3000	Australian Administrative Law	12
LLW5000	Advanced Commercial Law	12

12 credit points Psychology Elective 1

#### Year 4, Semester 1

APP3028	Fieldwork	12
APP3036	History and Theories in Psychology	12
BLB3130	Interviewing and Negotiation Skills	12

12 credit points of Law Elective 2

#### Year 4, Semester 2

APP3037	Clinical Aspects of Psychology	12
APS2040	Quantitative Social Research Methods 1	12
LLW5001	Corporations Law 2	12
LLW5002	Advanced Constitutional Law	12

#### Year 5, Semester 1

APP3035	Research Methods in Psychology	12
BLB4136	Equity and Trusts	12
LLW2003	Statutory Interpretation	12
LLW4000	Civil Procedure	12

#### Year 5, Semester 2

APP3023	Psychological Issues in the Workplace	12
LLW5003	Evidence and Criminal Procedure	12
LLW5004	Lawyers' Ethics and Professional Responsibility	12

12 credit points Psychology Elective 2

#### PSYCHOLOGY ELECTIVES

Not all Electives will be offered every year or in every semester			LLW2002	International Law Practicum	12
APP3015	Counselling Theory and Practice	12	LLW3001	Law in Practice 1	12
APP3016	Group Behaviour	12	LLW3002	Alternative Dispute Resolution	12
APP3018	Organisations and Work	12	LLW3003	Court and Tribunal Internship	12
APP3019	Psychobiology	12	LLW3004	Current Legal Topics and Issues	12
APP3020	Psychoanalysis	12	LLW3005	Corporate Insolvency	12
APP3021	Psychology of Adjustment	12	LLW4001	Asian Law Studies	12
APP3025	Psychological Assessment	12	LLW4002	Australian Migration Law	12
APP3026	Cognitive Psychology	12	LLW4003	Australia's Visa System	12
LAW ELECTIVES			LLW4004	Sports Law	12
Not all Electives will be offered every year or in every semester			LLW5900	Advanced Legal Research Methods	12
BLB3129	Intellectual Property Law	12	LLW5901	Advanced Legal Research Dissertation	12
BLB3132	Securities Law	12	The following units are on application only		
BLB3133	Comparative Commercial Law	12	LLW5902	Research Law Internship	12
BLB3134	Taxation Law	12	LLW5903	Mooting Competition	12
BLB3136	Family Law in Society	12	<b>Graduate Diploma in Migration Law</b>		
BLB3137	Elements of Regulation	12	<b>Course Code:</b> LGML		
BLB3138	Criminal Law 2	12	<b>Campus:</b> City Queen, Saxons Training Facilities Level 10, 10 Barrack Street, Sydney, NSW 2000.		
BLB3139	Law Reform	12	<b>About this course:</b> The Graduate Diploma in Migration Law provides students with an advanced knowledge of Australian migration law and practice and will enable graduates to expand their knowledge of migration law as well as their areas of practice. Students who successfully complete the eight (8) units are recognised by the Office of the Migration Agents Registration Authority (OMARA) as satisfying the knowledge requirement for initial registration as a migration agent. Other prescribed conditions for registration include the requirement to be an Australian permanent resident or an Australian citizen, a capstone examination, English language requirements and are subject to meeting character requirements. Students must consult OMARA website for further information. Within the Graduate Diploma in Migration Law, students will develop skills in legal research and drafting to support academic studies and to enable provision of complex advice and submission writing in the workplace. Students will gain an understanding of the complexity of the migrant experience, contextualising the content of current and future migration law policy and procedural trends by analysing administrative and judicial decisions to apply to a contemporary workplace context in providing advice and writing submissions relevant to diverse audiences. Students will gain professional and interpersonal communication skills and ethical work practices that enhances career prospects and promote public good, by identifying and resolving complex migration law problems with a sound understanding of local and global communities contribute to individual and public good.		
BLB4104	Commercial Arbitration Law	12			
BLB4105	Commercial Arbitration Practice and Procedure	12			
BLB4135	Australian Employment Law	12			
BLB4140	Privacy and Media Law	12			
BLB4141	International Trade Law	12			
BLB4143	Public International Law	12			
BLB4144	European Union Law	12			
BLB4145	Human Rights Law	12			
BLB4146	Wills and the Administration of Estates	12			
BLO2502	Transport Law	12			
LLW2000	Torts 2	12			
LLW2001	Competition Law and Policy	12			

**Course Objectives:**On successful completion of this course, students will be able to:  
1. Review conceptual frameworks and exhibit advanced technical knowledge of

migration and administrative law employing independent judgement in their application in wide ranging contexts and communities 2. Interpret relevant provisions of the Migration Act, Regulations and associated legislation contextualised in cross-disciplinary knowledge in order to initiate creative solutions to multi-faceted problems, while respecting and valuing the diversity of clients 3. Provide complex assessment of and advocate for regulatory decisions for a range of stakeholders in a number of ways, including briefs, responses and visa applications, while balancing the interests of individuals and public good 4. Exemplify ethical and professional standards in the provision of migration law advice to clients both independently and also as a member of a team 5. Exhibit responsibility and accountability for own learning and professional practice in collaboration with others and within broad parameters

**Careers:**The course prepares graduates to enter into professional practice as a Registered Migration Agent with the Office of the Migration Agents Registration Authority (specialist migration lawyer if also qualified as actual lawyer), community law advisor or advocate, migration advisors within human resource companies, public servant with the Department of Immigration and Border Protection, and a range of advisory roles with community and professional organisations.

**Course Duration:** 1 year

**Admission Requirements:**Completion of an Australian Bachelor degree (or equivalent) in any discipline.

**Admission Requirements International:**Completion of an Australian Bachelor degree (or equivalent) in any discipline. PLUS (IELTS or equivalent) - Overall score of 6.5 with no band less than 6.0 in Listening, Reading, Writing and Speaking).

**Admission Requirements Mature Age:**Completion of an Australian Bachelor degree (or equivalent) in any discipline.

**Selection Processes:** Other Applicants must also complete a 200 word statement detailing their interest in the course.

#### COURSE STRUCTURE

To attain the Graduate Diploma in Migration Law students will be required to complete 96 credit points consisting of:

- 96 credit points of Core studies.

LML6001	Practitioner Legal Skills for Australian Migration Law	12
LML6002	Australian Migration Law	12
LML6003	Australia's Visa System 1	12
LML6004	Australia's Visa System 2	12
LML6005	Visa Compliance and Cancellation	12
LML6006	Migration Review Mechanisms	12
LML6007	Applied Migration Law	12
LML6008	Managing a Migration Agent business	12

## Bachelor of Laws (Honours) (Graduate Entry)

**Course Code:**LHGE

**Campus:**City Queen.

**About this course:**We understand the desire of students who have graduated with a Bachelors degree in another discipline to expand their horizons by subsequently studying law. Achieving an Honours degree in law indicates strong academic ability and readiness for Higher degree studies. The Bachelor of Laws (Honours) (Graduate Entry) meets academic and professional requirements for graduates to be admitted to legal practice in Australia upon successful completion of the "practical legal training" requirements and prepares graduate for careers in the legal community, business, government and non-government organisations. The course provides a focus on both practical and theoretical learning.

**Course Objectives:**On successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. Integrate conceptual understandings of the Australian legal system, fundamental areas of legal knowledge and relevant advanced specialist bodies of knowledge within the discipline of law;
2. Critically review, analyse, adapt and apply broad and coherent theoretical and technical knowledge of law and underlying principles and concepts in diverse contemporary international and comparative contexts;
3. Identify, articulate and respond to legal issues by critically analysing and applying information with initiative and judgement in order to both anticipate and creatively solve problems and promote justice in authentic/contemporary professional, community and global settings;
4. Exhibit professional accountabilities and ethical judgement, by adapting knowledge, skills legal reasoning and research to make appropriate responses to legal issues that reflect the social, political and contextual factors;
5. Communicate a clear, coherent and independent exposition of knowledge and skills appropriate for legal and non-legal audiences, in both oral and written form;
6. Reflect on personal learning and skills in relation to career goals and implement effective, creative strategies to promote lifelong learning and pathways to further learning including a commitment to ongoing professional development;
7. Apply personal and interpersonal competencies including organisational and collaborative skills necessary to operate within broad parameters in the immensely divergent and complex global and Australian cultures;
8. Contribute effectively, with personal accountability for outcomes in a dynamic 21st century work team, working in an ethical and socially responsible manner; and
9. Plan and execute a research project, professional project or piece of scholarship which demonstrates intellectual independence and contributes to the evidence base within the legal discipline.

**Careers:**The course prepares graduates to gain employment in the legal profession, the legal sector generally as well as in the government, non government and private sectors. Upon Graduation Graduates of the Bachelor of Laws (Honours) (Graduate Entry) will meet the academic requirements as required by the Victorian Legal Admissions Board. Admissions as an Australian lawyer can be obtained after successful completion of the 'practical legal training' requirements.

**Course Duration:**3 years

**Selection Processes:** Other Students in any Bachelor of Laws may apply to transfer into any Bachelor of Laws (Honours) once they have completed a minimum 192 credit points (equivalent to 16 units) and have attained an average mark of Distinction or above i.e. 70–100% in those units.

#### COURSE STRUCTURE

For students enrolled in a BLGE prior to 2015, and who have successfully transferred a BLGE (Hons), to attain the Bachelor of Laws (Honours) (Graduate Entry) students will be required to complete 288 credit points (equivalent to 24 units) consisting of:

- 252 credit points (21 units) of core law units (Including the BLB4141/LLW5901 unit) of study PLUS
- 36 credit points (equivalent to 3 units) of law electives selected from an approved list

For students enrolled in a BLGE post 2015 and who are successful in a transfer to the BLGE (Hons), to attain the Bachelor of Laws (Honours) (Graduate Entry) students will be required to complete 288 credit points (equivalent to 24 units) consisting of:

- 264 credit points (23 units) of core law units of study (Including the units BLB4141/LLW5901 and LLW5900) PLUS
- 12 credit points (equivalent to 1 unit) of a law elective selected from an approved list.

For students enrolled pre 2015, who complete the degree Bachelor of Laws (Honours) (Graduate Entry), they will graduate with a Bachelor of Laws (Honours) with 1st, 2A or 2B class. For students enrolled in 2015 and thereafter, who complete the degree Bachelor of Laws (Honours) (Graduate Entry), they will graduate with a Bachelor of Laws (Honours) (Graduate Entry), without any reference to a Class of Honours.

#### First Year Core

BLB1101	Australian Legal System in Context	12
BLB1102	Contracts 1	12
BLB1114	Legal Research Methods	12
BLB1115	Torts	12
LLW1000	Introduction to Public Law	12
LLW1001	Criminal Law	12
LLW1002	Criminal Investigation, Procedure and Sentencing	12
LLW1003	Legal Writing and Drafting	12

#### Year 2, Semester 1

BLB2119	Corporations Law 1	12
BLB2121	Legal Theory	12
BLB3130	Interviewing and Negotiation Skills	12
LLW2003	Statutory Interpretation	12

#### Year 2, Semester 2

BLB2125	Real Property Law	12
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LLW3000	Australian Administrative Law	12
LLW5000	Advanced Commercial Law	12
LLW5001	Corporations Law 2	12

#### Year 3, Semester 1

BLB4136	Equity and Trusts	12
LLW4000	Civil Procedure	12
LLW5003	Evidence and Criminal Procedure	12
LLW5900	Advanced Legal Research Methods	12

#### Year 3, Semester 2

12 credit points (equivalent to one unit) from the list of Law Electives

LLW5002	Advanced Constitutional Law	12
LLW5004	Lawyers' Ethics and Professional Responsibility	12
LLW5901	Advanced Legal Research Dissertation	12

#### LAW ELECTIVES

BLB3129	Intellectual Property Law	12
BLB3132	Securities Law	12
BLB3133	Comparative Commercial Law	12
BLB3134	Taxation Law	12
BLB3136	Family Law in Society	12
BLB3137	Elements of Regulation	12
BLB3138	Criminal Law 2	12
BLB3139	Law Reform	12
BLB4104	Commercial Arbitration Law	12
BLB4105	Commercial Arbitration Practice and Procedure	12
BLB4135	Australian Employment Law	12
BLB4140	Privacy and Media Law	12
BLB4141	International Trade Law	12
BLB4143	Public International Law	12
BLB4144	European Union Law	12
BLB4145	Human Rights Law	12
BLB4146	Wills and the Administration of Estates	12

BLO2502	Transport Law	12
LLW2000	Torts 2	12
LLW2001	Competition Law and Policy	12
LLW2002	International Law Practicum	12
LLW3001	Law in Practice 1	12
LLW3002	Alternative Dispute Resolution	12
LLW3003	Court and Tribunal Internship	12
LLW3004	Current Legal Topics and Issues	12
LLW3005	Corporate Insolvency	12
LLW4001	Asian Law Studies	12
LLW4002	Australian Migration Law	12
LLW4003	Australia's Visa System	12
LLW4004	Sports Law	12
LLW4005	Current Issues in Migration Law and Practice	12
LLW4006	Current Issues A: Access to Justice	12
LLW5902	Research Law Internship	12
LLW5903	Mooting Competition	12

## Bachelor of Laws (Honours)/Bachelor of Business

**Course Code:**LHLB

**Campus:**Footscray Park, City Queen, City Flinders.

**About this course:**We understand students' need to determine personal paths in life, creating a degree leading to individual careers. The Bachelor of Laws (Honours) / Bachelor of Business offers students the flexibility and the professional development needed to do this. Upon graduation you will meet the academic requirements as required by the Victorian Legal Admissions Board. Admissions as an Australian lawyer can be obtained after successful completion of the 'practical legal training' requirements. It also offers graduates the opportunity to develop their skill, knowledge and professional acumen across a range of business majors, preparing them for careers in the legal community, business and government. The course provides a focus on both practical and theoretical learning, both in legal profession and in other business settings. Achieving an Honours degree in law indicates strong academic ability and readiness for Higher Degree studies.

**Course Objectives:**On successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. Integrate conceptual understandings of the Australian legal system, fundamental areas of legal and business knowledge and relevant specialist bodies of knowledge within the disciplines of law and business;
2. Review, analyse, adapt and apply broad and coherent theoretical and technical knowledge of law and business and underlying principles and concepts in diverse contemporary local and international comparative contexts;
3. Identify, articulate and respond to legal issues by analysing and applying information with initiative and judgement in order to both

anticipate and creatively solve problems and promote justice in authentic/contemporary professional, community and global settings;

4. Exhibit professional accountabilities and ethical judgment, by evaluating, synthesising and adapting knowledge, skills, legal reasoning and research to make appropriate responses to legal issues that reflect the legal, social, political and contextual factors;
5. Communicate a clear, coherent and independent exposition of knowledge and skills appropriate for legal and non-legal audiences, in both oral and written form;
6. Reflect on personal learning and skills in relation to career goals and implement effective, creative strategies to promote lifelong learning and pathways to further learning including a commitment to ongoing professional development;
7. Apply personal and interpersonal competencies including organisational and collaborative skills, necessary to operate in the immensely divergent and complex global and Australian cultures;
8. Contribute effectively, with personal accountability for outcomes in a dynamic 21st century work team, working in an ethical and socially responsible manner;
9. Plan and execute a research project, professional project or piece of scholarship which demonstrates intellectual independence and contributes to the evidence base within the legal discipline.

**Careers:**Graduates of the Bachelor of Laws (Honours)/ Bachelor of Business graduates will meet the academic requirements as required by the Victorian Legal Admissions Board. Admissions as an Australian lawyer can be obtained after successful completion of the 'practical legal training' requirements. They also have the opportunity to begin careers in a legal capacity in a government department or agency such as Treasury or Foreign Affairs at a federal level or in state government. They may also begin a career in community legal centres supporting legal access in particular geographic locations. There is also the opportunity to begin a career in-house in a profit or not-for-profit business. This is where the flexibility of the Bachelor of Business really allows graduates to focus their career opportunities, by developing their skill, knowledge-base and professional acumen in their business majors of choice.

**Course Duration:**5 years

**Selection Processes:** OtherStudents in any Bachelor of Laws may apply to transfer into any Bachelor of Laws (Honours) once they have completed a minimum 192 credit points (equivalent to 16 units) and have attained an average mark of Distinction or above i.e. 70–100% in those units.

### COURSE STRUCTURE

To attain the Bachelor of Laws (Honours)/ Bachelor of Business students will be required to complete 480 credit points (equivalent to 40 units) consisting of:

- 288 credit points (24 units) of core Law studies
- 84 credit points (7 units) of core Business studies including the Integrated Business Challenge unit
- 12 credit points (1 unit) of the International Business Challenge
- 96 credit points (8 units) of a Business Major studies including the Applied Business Challenge capstone unit

Business Majors include:

- Accounting
- Banking and Finance
- Event Management

- Financial Risk Management
- Human Resource Management
- Information Systems Management
- International Hospitality Management
- International Tourism Management
- International Trade
- Management
- Marketing
- Supply Chain Management and Logistics

Students who complete the degree will graduate with a Bachelor of Laws (Honours)/Bachelor of Business, without any reference to a Class of Honours.

#### Year 1, Semester 1

BMO1102	Management and Organisation Behaviour	12
BAO1101	Accounting for Decision Making	12
BLB1101	Australian Legal System in Context	12
BCO1102	Information Systems for Business	12

#### Year 1, Semester 2

BE01105	Economic Principles	12
BE01106	Business Statistics	12
BLB1114	Legal Research Methods	12
BPD1100	Integrated Business Challenge	12

#### Year 2, Semester 1

BLB1102	Contracts 1	12
BHO1171	Introduction to Marketing	12
LLW1000	Introduction to Public Law	12
LLW1001	Criminal Law	12

#### Year 2, Semester 2

BLB1115	Torts	12
LLW1002	Criminal Investigation, Procedure and Sentencing	12
LLW1003	Legal Writing and Drafting	12
LLW2003	Statutory Interpretation	12

#### Year 3, Semester 1

BLB2119	Corporations Law 1	12
BLB2122	Advocacy and Communication	12

#### Business Major unit (1)

#### Business Major unit (2)

#### Year 3, Semester 2

LLW3000	Australian Administrative Law	12
BLB2125	Real Property Law	12
BPD2100	International Business Challenge	12

#### Business Major unit (3)

#### Year 4, Semester 1

BLB3130	Interviewing and Negotiation Skills	12
BLB2121	Legal Theory	12

#### Business Major unit (4)

#### Business Major unit (5)

#### Year 4, Semester 2

LLW5001	Corporations Law 2	12
LLW5000	Advanced Commercial Law	12

#### Business Major unit (6)

#### Business Major unit (7)

#### Year 5, Semester 1

LLW5900	Advanced Legal Research Methods	12
BLB4136	Equity and Trusts	12
LLW5003	Evidence and Criminal Procedure	12
LLW4000	Civil Procedure	12

#### Year 5, Semester 2

LLW5901	Advanced Legal Research Dissertation	12
LLW5004	Lawyers' Ethics and Professional Responsibility	12
LLW5002	Advanced Constitutional Law	12

#### Business Major unit (8): BPD3100 Applied Business Challenge

#### Majors

BMAACT	Accounting
BMABKF	Banking and Finance
BMAEVT	Event Management

BMAFNR	Financial Risk Management
BMAHRM	Human Resource Management
BMAISM	Information Systems Management
BMAIHM	International Hospitality Management
BMAITM	International Tourism Management
BMAITD	International Trade
BMAMAI	Management and Innovation
BMAMRK	Marketing
BMASCL	Supply Chain and Logistics Management

## Bachelor of Laws (Honours)

**Course Code:**LHLW

**Campus:**City Queen.

**About this course:**The Bachelor of Laws (Honours) prepares graduates for a range of careers in the legal, corporate and community sectors, government and non-government organisations. The course provides a focus on both practical and theoretical learning. Achieving an Honours degree in law indicates strong academic ability and readiness for postgraduate studies. This degree will provide students with a broad ranging program combining foundation subjects; the compulsory "Priestley Eleven" areas of legal knowledge that are required for admission to legal practice in Australia; practical subjects to hone students legal skills; and a range of electives which will enable students to explore the areas of particular interest. Upon graduation you will meet the academic requirements as required by the Victorian Legal Admissions Board. Admissions as an Australian lawyer can be obtained after successful completion of the 'practical legal training' requirements.

**Course Objectives:**On successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. Integrate conceptual understandings of the Australian legal system, fundamental areas of legal knowledge and relevant advanced specialist bodies of knowledge within the discipline of law;
2. Critically review, analyse, adapt and apply broad and coherent theoretical and technical knowledge of law and underlying principles and concepts in diverse contemporary international and comparative contexts;
3. Identify, articulate and respond to legal issues by critically analysing and applying information with initiative and judgement in order to both anticipate and creatively solve problems and promote justice in authentic/contemporary professional, community and global settings;
4. Exhibit professional accountabilities and ethical judgement, by adapting knowledge, skills legal reasoning and research to make appropriate responses to legal issues that reflect the social, political and contextual factors;
5. Communicate a clear, coherent and independent exposition of knowledge and skills appropriate for legal and non-legal audiences, in both oral and written form;
6. Reflect on personal learning and skills in relation to career goals and implement effective, creative strategies to promote lifelong learning and pathways to further learning including a commitment to ongoing professional development;
7. Apply personal and interpersonal competencies including organisational and collaborative skills necessary to operate within broad parameters in the immensely divergent and complex global and Australian cultures;
8. Contribute effectively, with personal accountability for outcomes in a dynamic 21st

century work team, working in an ethical and socially responsible manner; and 9. Plan and execute a research project, professional project or piece of scholarship which demonstrates intellectual independence and contributes to the evidence base within the legal discipline.

**Careers:**The Bachelor of Laws (Honours) prepares graduates to gain employment in the legal profession, the legal sector in general as well as in the government, non-government and private sectors. Upon graduation you will meet the academic requirements as required by the Victorian Legal Admissions Board. Admissions as an Australian lawyer can be obtained after successful completion of the 'practical legal training' requirements.

**Course Duration:** 4 years

**Selection Processes:** Other Students in any Bachelor of Laws may apply to transfer into any Bachelor of Laws (Honours) once they have completed a minimum 192 credit points (equivalent to 16 units) and have attained an average mark of Distinction or above i.e. 70–100% in those units.

### COURSE STRUCTURE

To attain the Bachelor of Laws (Honours) students will be required to complete 384 credit points consisting of:

- 288 credit points of Core Law studies
- 96 credit points of Elective students (from the lists below). This can include up to 48 credit points non Law electives.

All students who complete the degree will graduate with a Bachelor of Laws (Honours), without any reference to a Class of Honours.

#### First Year Core

BLB1101	Australian Legal System in Context	12
BLB1102	Contracts 1	12
BLB1114	Legal Research Methods	12
BLB1115	Torts	12
LLW1000	Introduction to Public Law	12
LLW1001	Criminal Law	12
LLW1002	Criminal Investigation, Procedure and Sentencing	12
LLW1003	Legal Writing and Drafting	12

#### Year 2, Semester 1

BLB2119	Corporations Law 1	12
BLB2121	Legal Theory	12
LLW2003	Statutory Interpretation	12

12 credit points selected from list of Elective Units

#### Year 2, Semester 2



BLB2125	Real Property Law	12	BLB4135	Australian Employment Law	12		
36 credit points selected from list of Elective Units			BLB3139	Law Reform	12		
Year 3, Semester 1			BLB4104	Commercial Arbitration Law	12		
BLB3130	Interviewing and Negotiation Skills	12	BLB4105	Commercial Arbitration Practice and Procedure	12		
LLW4000	Civil Procedure	12	BLB4140	Privacy and Media Law	12		
24 credit points selected from list of Elective Units			BLB4141	International Trade Law	12		
Year 3, Semester 2			BLB4143	Public International Law	12		
BLB2122	Advocacy and Communication	12	BLB4144	European Union Law	12		
LLW3000	Australian Administrative Law	12	BLB4145	Human Rights Law	12		
24 credit points selected from list of Elective Units			BLB4146	Wills and the Administration of Estates	12		
Year 4, Semester 1			BLO2502	Transport Law	12		
LLW5900	Advanced Legal Research Methods	12	LLW2000	Torts 2	12		
LLW5003	Evidence and Criminal Procedure	12	LLW2001	Competition Law and Policy	12		
BLB4136	Equity and Trusts	12	LLW2002	International Law Practicum	12		
LLW5000	Advanced Commercial Law	12	LLW3001	Law in Practice 1	12		
Year 4, Semester 2			LLW3002	Alternative Dispute Resolution	12		
LLW5901	Advanced Legal Research Dissertation	12	LLW3003	Court and Tribunal Internship	12		
LLW5004	Lawyers' Ethics and Professional Responsibility	12	LLW3004	Current Legal Topics and Issues	12		
LLW5001	Corporations Law 2	12	LLW3005	Corporate Insolvency	12		
LLW5002	Advanced Constitutional Law	12	LLW4001	Asian Law Studies	12		
<p>Elective Units The unit code provides an indicator of the relative difficulty of one unit compared to another. For example 2000 coded units such as LLW2001, have less advanced learning outcomes, and so are recommended for first or second year electives, while 4000 coded units are recommended as electives for study in the latter years of this course.</p> <p>LAW ELECTIVES</p>			LLW4002	Australian Migration Law	12		
			LLW4003	Australia's Visa System	12		
			LLW4004	Sports Law	12		
			LLW4005	Current Issues in Migration Law and Practice	12		
			LLW4006	Current Issues A: Access to Justice	12		
			LLW5902	Research Law Internship	12		
			LLW5903	Mooting Competition	12		
			BLB3129	Intellectual Property Law	12	<p><b>Bachelor of Laws (Honours)/Bachelor of Psychology (Honours)</b>  <b>Course Code:</b>LHWP  <b>Campus:</b>Footscray Park, City Queen.</p> <p><b>About this course:</b>This double degree provides students with the opportunity to combine studies in psychology with a qualification in law. A background in psychology together with a law qualification will enhance a student's employability. The combined degree equips graduates with an understanding of themselves and</p>	
			BLB3132	Securities Law	12		
			BLB3133	Comparative Commercial Law	12		
BLB3134	Taxation Law	12					
BLB3136	Family Law in Society	12					
BLB3137	Elements of Regulation	12					
BLB3138	Criminal Law 2	12					

others, including clients and those involved in the legal field. This 6 year double degree prepares graduates for those occupations where there is an interaction between the law, psychology and mental health. The double degree will provide graduates with a career path towards eligibility for Registration as a Psychologist by the Psychology Board of Australia. The completion of the 'Priestley 11' units, as set out by the Council of Legal Education, within the course will satisfy the academic component for students wishing to be admitted as an Australian Lawyer, in the Supreme Court of Victoria. The course learning outcomes include the concepts, theories and ideas central to the disciplines of law and psychology. Commencing students may be eligible for the Chancellors Scholarship award. See <http://www.vu.edu.au/study-with-us/scholarships/chancellors-scholarships>.

**Course Objectives:** On successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. Demonstrate advanced theoretical knowledge of psychology theories and relevant advanced specialist bodies of knowledge within the discipline of law;
2. Critically review, analyse, adapt and apply broad and coherent theoretical and technical knowledge of law and psychology and underlying principles and concepts in diverse contemporary international and comparative contexts;
3. Identify, articulate and respond to complex issues related to the two disciplines by critically analysing and applying information with initiative and judgement in order to both anticipate and creatively address them as relevant to authentic/contemporary professional, community and global settings;
4. Exhibit professional accountabilities and ethical judgement, by adapting knowledge, skills, professional reasoning and research in responding appropriately to issues that reflect the social, political and contextual factors;
5. Communicate a clear, coherent and independent exposition of knowledge and skills appropriate for professional and non-professional audiences;
6. Reflect on personal learning and skills in relation to career goals and implement effective, creative strategies to promote lifelong learning and pathways to further learning including a commitment to ongoing professional development;
7. Apply personal and interpersonal competencies including organisational and collaborative skills necessary to operate within broad parameters in the immensely divergent and complex global and Australian cultures;
8. Contribute effectively, with personal accountability for outcomes in a dynamic 21st century work team, working in an ethical and socially responsible manner; and
9. Plan and execute a research project, professional project or piece of scholarship which demonstrates intellectual independence and integrates and contributes to the evidence bases of the two disciplines.

**Careers:** This 6 year double degree prepares graduates for those occupations where there is an interaction between the law, psychology and mental health. The double degree will provide graduates with a global and social justice perspective, and give them an understanding of human behaviour, motivation, relationships, communication and cognitive processes. The skills and knowledge attained will give graduates an opportunity to pursue careers in areas including law, psychology, criminal justice, the courts, work in legal community centres, work in community services and in the human resource management field.

**Course Duration:** 6 years

**Admission Requirements:** Successful completion of an Australian Senior Secondary Certificate (VCE or equivalent) including Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 30 in English (EAL) or at least 25 in any other English. International Baccalaureate At least 5 in English SL or 4 in English HL or 6 in English B SL or 5 in English B HL.

**Admission Requirements Mature Age:** Applicants with relevant work, education and/or community experience will be considered for admission to the course.

**Selection Processes:** Other Applicants who have not completed Year 12 but who possess appropriate educational qualifications, work or life experiences which would enable them to successfully undertake the course, will be considered for admission. Applications are also welcome from students who have successfully completed at least one year in another undergraduate bachelor degree with a pass average of 60% or above. Internal: Applicants currently enrolled in a Bachelor of Laws or an accredited psychology bachelor degree may also apply for the double degree, after completion of at least one semester with a pass average. Advanced Standing will be granted to successful applications for identical units already completed. Advanced Standing may be granted for appropriate prior studies at an AQF 7 level for law units and psychological studies units (where undertaken in an APAC accredited course or international equivalent). Applicants may be required to participate in an interview as part of the selection process.

#### COURSE STRUCTURE

To attain the Bachelor of Laws (Honours)/Bachelor of Psychology (Honours) will be required to complete 576 credit points in total consisting of:

- 288 credit points of core Law units;
- 252 credit points of core College of Health and Biomedicine;
- 24 credit points of Psychology elective units;
- 12 credit points from the Psychology Honours list of electives.

In order to be eligible to advance to the Psychology Honours year of the course, students must achieve the stringent academic admission criteria that are required for Honours programs in Psychology. Academic admission standards are based on the average grade across all core second and third year psychology units. Students who have successfully completed the first five years of study but have not met the academic admission requirements for the Honours year will be eligible to apply to graduate with a Bachelor of Laws/ Bachelor of Psychological Studies degree. In the Psychology Honours year of study students must complete an additional six units of study (96 credit points).

#### First Year Core

APP1012	Psychology 1A	12
APP1013	Psychology 1B	12
APP1016	Foundations of Psychological Research	12
ASX1003	Foundations of Social Science Research	12
BLB1101	Australian Legal System in Context	12
BLB1102	Contracts 1	12
BLB1114	Legal Research Methods	12
LLW1000	Introduction to Public Law	12

#### Year 2, Semester 1

BLB1115	Torts	12	BLB4136	Equity and Trusts	12
LLW1001	Criminal Law	12	LLW4000	Civil Procedure	12
LLW1002	Criminal Investigation, Procedure and Sentencing	12	LLW5900	Advanced Legal Research Methods	12
LLW1003	Legal Writing and Drafting	12	Year 5, Semester 2		
Year 2, Semester 2			LLW5003	Evidence and Criminal Procedure	12
BLB2119	Corporations Law 1	12	LLW5004	Lawyers' Ethics and Professional Responsibility	12
BLB2121	Legal Theory	12	LLW5901	Advanced Legal Research Dissertation	12
BLB2122	Advocacy and Communication	12	12 credit points Psychology Elective 2		
BLB2125	Real Property Law	12	Year 6, Semester 1		
Year 3, Semester 1			APH4012	Research Thesis	24
APP2013	Psychology 2A	12	APH4018	Social Research Methods in Context	12
APP2101	Intercultural and Developmental Issues in Psychology	12	APH4071	Professional Orientation (Psychological Assessment)	12
APS2030	Qualitative Social Research Methods 1	12	Year 6, Semester 2		
LLW2003	Statutory Interpretation	12	APH4013	Psychology in Practice	12
Year 3, Semester 2			APH4015	Extended Research Thesis	24
APP2014	Psychology 2B	12	PLUS		
LLW3000	Australian Administrative Law	12	12 credit points Psychology Honours Elective 3		
LLW5000	Advanced Commercial Law	12	PSYCHOLOGY ELECTIVES		
12 credit points Psychology Elective 1			Years 2 & 5		
Year 4, Semester 1			Not all Electives will be offered every year or in every semester		
APP3028	Fieldwork	12	APP3015	Counselling Theory and Practice	12
APP3036	History and Theories in Psychology	12	APP3016	Group Behaviour	12
BLB3130	Interviewing and Negotiation Skills	12	APP3018	Organisations and Work	12
APP3023	Psychological Issues in the Workplace	12	APP3019	Psychobiology	12
Year 4, Semester 2			APP3020	Psychoanalysis	12
APP3037	Clinical Aspects of Psychology	12	APP3021	Psychology of Adjustment	12
APS2040	Quantitative Social Research Methods 1	12	APP3025	Psychological Assessment	12
LLW5001	Corporations Law 2	12	APP3026	Cognitive Psychology	12
LLW5002	Advanced Constitutional Law	12	HONOURS PSYCHOLOGY ELECTIVES		
Year 5, Semester 1			APA4015	Community Psychology	12
APP3035	Research Methods in Psychology	12	APH4050	Current Issues in Psychology A	12

APH4061 Principles and Practice of Cognitive Behaviour 12

APT5005 Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault 12

The following units are on application only

LLW5902 Research Law Internship 12

LLW5903 Mooting Competition 12

# Majors/Minors

## LMAADV Advanced Legal Services

**Locations:** Footscray Park, City Queen

The advanced legal practice major prepares students for a career pathway in legal services and allied industries. For example, advanced legal services, paralegal, compliance officers in companies, financial institutions, non-government charitable organisations or in the civil service and the courts. There is a strong business focus and students will undertake a legal services project which enhances collegiality by simulating a range of activities routinely expected of professional paralegals.

BLB1102	Contracts 1	12
BLB1115	Torts	12
BLB2125	Real Property Law	12
BLB3130	Interviewing and Negotiation Skills	12
LL03001	Legal Services Project	12
LLW1000	Introduction to Public Law	12
LLW1001	Criminal Law	12
LLW3000	Australian Administrative Law	12

## LMAALAW Law Profession

**Locations:** Footscray Park, City Queen

The law profession major prepares students for a career pathway as a law clerk and other supporting legal roles including a legal secretary. This major has a strong practical focus as students will undertake a legal placement. This major is stepping stone for those students who may wish to continue their studies towards a bachelor of laws.

BLB1102	Contracts 1	12
BLB1115	Torts	12
BLB2125	Real Property Law	12
LLW1000	Introduction to Public Law	12
LLW1001	Criminal Law	12
LLW3000	Australian Administrative Law	12
LLW3001	Law in Practice 1	12
LLW5004	Lawyers' Ethics and Professional Responsibility	12

## LMICOM Commercial and Corporate Law

**Locations:** Footscray Park, City Queen

This minor provides students with an understanding of the laws associated with the business and commercial world. There is a strong focus on financial regulation and business transactions. This minor complements the Advanced Legal Services Major as it is strongly aligned with a practical focus.

BLO2205	Corporate Law	12
BLO2206	Taxation Law and Practice	12
BLO3405	Law of Financial Institutions and Securities	12
LL02002	Conveyancing and Inheritance Law and Practice	12

## LMICRE Criminal Law and Reform

**Locations:** City Queen

This minor provides students with a deeper understanding of criminal law, regulation, human rights and law reform. It explores the legal power of regulatory systems in the shaping social structures is explored through the role of the ethical professional in evaluating and reforming regulatory systems.

BLB3137	Elements of Regulation	12
BLB3138	Criminal Law 2	12
BLB3139	Law Reform	12
BLB4145	Human Rights Law	12

## LMICRI Criminal Law

**Locations:** Footscray Park, City Queen

This minor introduces students to the rule of law and to the general doctrines and purposes of the criminal law. Students will also develop an understanding of the practical aspects of legal work as a member of the legal profession.

BLB2122	Advocacy and Communication	12
BLB3138	Criminal Law 2	12
LLW1001	Criminal Law	12
LLW1002	Criminal Investigation, Procedure and Sentencing	12

## LMICRJ Criminal and Social Justice

**Locations:** City Queen

This minor allows the the further exploration of social justice issues and sources of social conflict and law.

BLB3136	Family Law in Society	12
BLB3138	Criminal Law 2	12
BLB4140	Privacy and Media Law	12
BLB4145	Human Rights Law	12

## LMICRP Criminal Law Practice

**Locations:** City Queen

This minor provides the opportunity for successful students to undertake of practical internships, placements and making an active effort to interpret and abstract meaning from case, statute and scholarly writings provided on placement and in mootings.

BLB3138	Criminal Law 2	12
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BLB4145	Human Rights Law	12
LLW3001	Law in Practice 1	12
LLW5903	Mooting Competition	12

### **LMINT Interpersonal Skills and Conflict Resolution**

**Locations:** Footscray Park, City Queen

This minor provides students with interpersonal skills, interviewing and negotiation and the means of conflict resolution.

ASC3095	Conflict Resolution in Groups and Communities	12
ASS3009	Sociology of Law	12
ASW2203	Interpersonal and Communication Skills	12
LLW3002	Alternative Dispute Resolution	12

### **LMILAW Law in a Legal Context**

**Locations:** Footscray Park, City Queen

This minor draws upon a number of contemporary legal issues and explores avenues to resolve them. This minor complements the Advanced Legal Practice major as it is strongly aligned with practical legal problem solving in a business context.

BLB3136	Family Law in Society	12
BLO3352	Legal Topics B	12
LL02001	Intellectual Property and Consumer Protection Principles	12
LLW3002	Alternative Dispute Resolution	12

### **LMIMIG Migration**

**Locations:** Footscray Park, City Queen

This minor considers Australian migration laws in the context of globalisation, international law and movements for global justice.

ASS3009	Sociology of Law	12
ASS3050	Migration, Mobility and Globalisation	12
BLB4143	Public International Law	12
LLW4002	Australian Migration Law	12

### **LMIPRI Private Law**

**Locations:** Footscray Park, City Queen

This minor focuses on areas of the law that address human resources, contracts and protection of property, work product and personal rights. Students will examine the identification and management as well as resolution of disputes, in particular, litigation as a means of dispute resolution.

BLB3129	Intellectual Property Law	12
BLB4135	Australian Employment Law	12
LLW4000	Civil Procedure	12

LLW5000	Advanced Commercial Law	12
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### **LMRIG Rights and The Law**

**Locations:** Footscray Park, City Queen

This minor draws together contemporary issues from domestic law. Students will investigate the law as it relates to relationships and the protection of private and social rights. A cultural awareness around concepts of universality of human rights and the substance of universal human rights in diverse cultural contexts will also be examined.

BLO2207	Employment Law	12
BLB3136	Family Law in Society	12
BLB4140	Privacy and Media Law	12
BLB4145	Human Rights Law	12

### **LMISEC International Security**

**Locations:** Footscray Park, City Queen

This minor provides students with a deeper understanding of security and political responses to international crime and terrorism and how freedom of expression and privacy are balanced against security needs.

ASP2007	Dictatorship and Democracy	12
ASP3002	International Security	12
ASS3009	Sociology of Law	12
BLB4143	Public International Law	12

# UNITS

## BLB2119 Corporations Law 1

**Locations:** City Queen, City Flinders.

**Prerequisites:** BLB 1101 - Australian Legal System in Context BLB 1114 - Legal Research Methods

**Description:** The aim of this unit is to introduce students to the corporation, the concept of corporate regulation and practical areas of Australian corporate law (including directors duties, share capital, the company constitution, shareholder rights and remedies, dividends, and insolvency). The unit enables students to explore, research, analyse and debate some of the significant contemporary issues in Australian corporate law, complementing the LLB course by preparing students to work in the globalised, sophisticated 21st century commercial world, whether as a corporate lawyer or another role.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Elaborate the relevant provisions of the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth) and, where applicable, common law and equity;
2. Analyse and explain applicable policies underlying rules and principles relating to corporations and their stakeholders in a 21st century setting;
3. Critically review complex legal problems in corporations law and recommend appropriate innovative resolutions; and
4. Demonstrate strong skills in legal research and writing, critical analysis, problem solving, and communication in relation to corporations law.

**Class Contact:** Lecture 2.0 hrs Tutorial 1.0 hr

**Required Reading:** Jeswynn Yogarathnam, Lidia Xynas 10th edn, Coronations Law: In Principle Sydney, Thomson Reuters,

**Assessment:** Test, Test, 10%. Essay, Essay 1, 40%. Examination, Final Exam, 50%. The total assessment in this unit is equivalent to 5000 words.

## BLB2120 Legal Writing and Drafting

**Locations:** Footscray Park, City Queen, City Flinders.

**Prerequisites:** BLB 1101 - Australian Legal System in Context BLB 1114 - Legal Research Methods In addition to the above pre-requisites, students must also have satisfactorily completed either BLB 1102 Contracts 1 OR BLO1105 Business Law.

**Description:** This unit of study focuses on enhancing and refining skills in good legal writing and drafting. It includes principles of plain English, effective written communication and drafting legal documents, including court documents and how to apply them in practice. The unit will cover the function and operation of a document, stages in preparing a document and structuring a document. Students will also learn about style, appearance, content and presentation of documents. The unit will further address legal rules of construction that apply to documents such as agreements, the use of precedents and rules of evidence and procedure that apply to court documents.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Scrutinise complex legal problems; conduct research and draft legal documents in plain English language;
2. Interpret and apply different types of legal writing and drafting techniques and conventions;
3. Locate, analyse, adapt and use relevant legal precedents for effective legal drafting;
4. Employ analytical, cognitive, and written communication skills in producing context-specific legal documents, in contemporary Australian legal contexts; and
5. Utilise a variety of approaches to interpreting legal documents ("statutory interpretation") and understand how such approaches may inform the process of drafting legal documents in appropriate contexts.

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**Class Contact:** Lecture 2.0 hrs Tutorial 1.0 hr Equivalent to three hours per week. Normally to be delivered as two hours of lectures and one hour of tutorials, workshops or modules or a delivery mode as approved by the College of Law and Justice. Unit of study equal to 12 credit points.

**Required Reading:** Butt & Castle 2006 2nd edn. Modern Legal Drafting: A Guide to Using Clearer Language Cambridge Meehan 2013 3rd edn. Grammer for Lawyers Lexis-Nexis Stark 2013 Drafting Contracts: How and Why Lawyers Do What They Do Aspen Publishers

**Assessment:** Two assessment pieces one 30% and the second 70% Assignment, Drafting a letter of advice to a client, 30%. Assignment, Drafting a settlement agreement and affidavit, 70%.

## BLB2121 Legal Theory

**Locations:** City Queen.

**Prerequisites:** BLB 1101 - Australian Legal System in Context BLB 1114 - Legal Research Methods

**Description:** This unit of study will examine key concepts and theories relevant to Legal Theory including: Natural Law; Liberalism; Positivism; Modernism; American Legal Realism; Feminism; Critical Legal Studies; Postmodernism and Critical Race Theory.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Critique the leading legal theories (especially in the Anglo-American jurisdictions) and justify their relevance to our society;
2. Contextualise the Law's connections with other disciplines (such as History, Philosophy, Sociology, and Political Science) as prevalent in contemporary settings;
3. Justify the relevance of conceptualization, epistemology (theory of knowledge), morality, ethics, and ideology, to law in contexts subject to change;
4. Analyse the theoretical underpinnings of substantive law already studied and sharper analytical tools and their connections to future studies and practice;
5. Identify, research, evaluate and synthesise relevant knowledge and communicate (both orally and in writing) one stand with initiative and judgement; and
6. Critically reflect on theoretical predispositions, and argue and justify one's own theoretical and normative perspectives on the law, and more generally.

**Class Contact:** Lecture 2.0 hrs Tutorial 1.0 hr Equivalent to three hours per week. Normally to be delivered as two hours of lectures and one hour of tutorials, workshops or modules or a delivery mode as approved by the College of Law and Justice. Unit of study equal to 12 credit points.

**Required Reading:** Freeman, MDA 2014, 9th ed, Lloyd's Introduction to Jurisprudence Sweet and Maxwell, London Wacks, R 2012, 3rd ed, Understanding Jurisprudence: An Introduction to Legal Theory Oxford University Press, Oxford

**Assessment:** Essay, Case Study 1,500 words, 30%. Essay, Research Essay 2,500 words, 70%.

## BLB2122 Advocacy and Communication

**Locations:** City Queen, City Flinders.

**Prerequisites:** BLB 1101 - Australian Legal System in Context BLB 1114 - Legal Research Methods LLW1001 - Criminal Law

**Description:** The aim of this unit of study is to develop an understanding of the practical aspects of legal work as a member of the legal profession. This unit will focus on developing skills in introductory examinations of court presentations and contextualisation of advocacy skills in the presentation of cases within the court environment. Specifically, this unit will focus on developing the basics of case theory through interactive seminars and practical legal skills through role-playing and

working with peers. The focus will be on developing the professional practitioner.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Discriminate between the types of oral argument and questioning most suitable when conducting the different stages of presenting cases in court;
2. Construct and present persuasive oral legal arguments to influence relevant professional and non-professional audiences;
3. Undertake or role-play common legal advocacy tasks in the manner of a legal practitioner appearing before a court or tribunal situation; and
4. Advocate with responsibility and accountability, verbally and in writing for hypothetical clients.

**Class Contact:** Seminar 3.0 hrs Equivalent to three hours per week. Normally delivered as a one three hour seminar/workshop per week.

**Required Reading:** Required texts Jeremy Curthoys and Christopher Kendall 2006 advocacy: An Introduction LexisNexis Butterworths Australia \*Sentencing Council of Victoria internet Sentencing Law in Victoria Council of Victoria \*  
<https://www.sentencingcouncil.vic.gov.au/about-sentencing/sentencing-law-victoria>

**Assessment:** Assignment, Research Assignment, 30%. Other, Written submission, 30%. Presentation, Oral presentation, 30%. Other, Professional participation, 10%.

### BLB2125 Real Property Law

**Locations:** City Queen, City Flinders.

**Prerequisites:** BLB 1114 - Legal Research Methods BLB 1101 - Australian Legal System in Context BLB 1102 - Contracts 1

**Description:** The focus of this unit is the concept and characteristics of rights and interests in land: their creation, acquisition, enjoyment and disposal, specifically in the Torrens title registration system in Victoria. This unit covers the Real Property component of the Priestley 11 area "Real and Personal Property".

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Elucidate a broad and coherent theoretical and technical knowledge with depth in the area of Real Property Law to a range of audiences;
2. Advocate solutions to complex problems with judgement and responsibility in advising and acting in matters involving Real Property Law;
3. Provide specialist advice and functions with responsibility and accountability in the area of Real Property Law related to the State of Victoria in Australia;
4. Critically analyse and evaluate information to complete a range of activities in the study of Real Property Law; and
5. Adapt the necessary knowledge and skills to analyse, generate and transmit innovative solutions to unpredictable and sometimes complex contemporary problems in the area of Real Property Law.

**Class Contact:** Lecture 2.0 hrs Tutorial 1.0 hr Equivalent to three hours per week. Normally to be delivered as two hours of lectures and one hour of tutorials, workshops or modules or a delivery mode as approved by the College of Law and Justice. Unit of study equal to 12 credit points.

**Required Reading:** Edgeworth B, Rossiter C.J, Stone M.A and O'Connor P, 2012 9th Sackville and Neave Australian Property Law Sydney, LexisNexis

**Assessment:** Assignment, 2500 words, 30%. Examination, 3 hour exam, 70%. Total assessment equivalent to 5000 words .

### BLB3129 Intellectual Property Law

**Locations:** City Queen, City Flinders.

**Prerequisites:** BLB 1101 - Australian Legal System in Context BLB 1114 - Legal Research Methods

**Description:** Intellectual Property Law is the method by which law seeks to regulate

the commercial use of ideas, innovation and culture. Statute law has created property in the tangible artefacts produced from ideas. Patents, Designs and Trademarks have legislated systems of registration while copyright in Australia is governed by statute, but is also the subject of extensive international agreements. The unit also covers other forms of intellectual property such as Geographical Indications, Plant Breeders' Rights, and the protection of confidential information. Intellectual property has been profoundly affected by changes in technology with which law has had difficulty in keeping pace, yet ironically it is also intellectual property law which seeks to regulate this technology. This unit of study uses problem based learning to explore the practical application of intellectual property law and the social and ethical issues which arise from it, suggesting possibilities for further development.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Elucidate a coherent theoretical and technical knowledge with depth in the area of Intellectual Property Law to a range of audiences;
2. Advocate solutions to complex problems with judgement and responsibility in advising and acting in matters involving Intellectual Property Law;
3. Provide specialist advice and functions with responsibility and accountability in the area of Intellectual Property Law related to local and global settings;
4. Critically analyse and evaluate information to complete a range of activities in the study of Intellectual Property Law; and
5. Adapt the necessary knowledge and skills to analyse, generate and transmit innovative solutions to unpredictable and sometimes complex 21st century problems in the area of Intellectual Property Law.

**Class Contact:** Lecture 2.0 hrs Tutorial 1.0 hr Equivalent to three hours per week. Normally to be delivered as two hours of lectures and one hour of tutorials, workshops or modules or a delivery mode as approved by the College of Law and Justice. Unit of study equal to 12 credit points. For summer delivery - 6 weeks x 6 hours per week = 36 hours

**Required Reading:** Criag Collins and Heather Forrest Intellectual Property Law : Lexis Nexis Study Guide Lexis Nexis Dr William Van Caenegem 2nd Intellectual and Industrial Property Law Lexis Nexis Dr Alpana Roy Lexis Nexis QRC Lexis Nexis

**Assessment:** Assignment, Research essay prior to week 6, 30%. Essay, Research essay, 20%. Examination, Problem based Exam, 50%. Total assessment equivalent to 4000 words. .

### BLB3130 Interviewing and Negotiation Skills

**Locations:** City Queen.

**Prerequisites:** BLB 1101 - Australian Legal System in Context BLB 1114 - Legal Research Methods

**Description:** This subject is a legal 'skills' subject and develops this practical aspect as relevant to the legal profession. It focuses on developing students' client interviewing skills including strategies for successful negotiation of outcomes. The unit also explores the nexus between interviewing and negotiation and the interdependence of the two competencies through role-play and other approaches.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Exemplify the fundamental skills of client interviewing within the context of legal practice;
2. Critically review complex negotiation scenarios and debate innovative strategies;
3. Strategise and conduct oral interviews in the manner of legal practitioners interviewing clients or other parties to legal action;
4. Role-play a range of ethical, innovative, competitive and cooperative negotiation strategies in wide ranging and challenging situations; and
5. Negotiate an outcome in the manner of a legal practitioner negotiating with or on behalf of parties to a legal



dispute.

**Class Contact:** Seminar 3.0 hrs Equivalent to three hours per week to be delivered as one three hour seminar/workshop. Unit of study equal to 12 credit points.

**Required Reading:** As set out in the Unit of Study Guide

**Assessment:** Assignment, Combined Interviewing & Negotiation Research Assignment, 30%. Other, Oral exam/practicum, 30%. Other, Written submission, 30%. Other, Peer review, 10%. The assessment in this Unit of Study will relate to learning in the workplace (simulated working environments). Learning in the workplace activities that will be included in this Unit of Study are: 1. Skills Practicums engaged in during seminars and assessments; 2. Engagement with visiting guest lecturers. .

### BLB3132 Securities Law

**Locations:** City Queen, City Flinders.

**Prerequisites:** BLB1101 - Australian Legal System in Context/BLB1114 - Legal Research Methods/Nil

**Description:** This subject aims to examine the various types of securities that exist in our law. The emphasis of this course will be placed on corporate/investment securities. In this regard we will study some of the key areas including securities regulation, the role of stock exchanges, the rules regarding insider trading and stock market manipulation, disclosure regulation, the regulation of prospectuses and the conduct of securities market professionals, such as brokers and investment advisors. In this subject we will also study some of the other types of securities that exist, which include securities over land and securities over personal property.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to: 1. Exercise critical thinking and judgment in identifying and solving complex problems with intellectual independence regarding the basic principles of Australian securities law; 2. Critically review the application of knowledge of the institutional structure and legal rules affecting the regulation of 21st century securities markets; 3. Adapt knowledge and skills of key themes in securities law in prescribing innovative solutions to contemporary issues in the area; and 4. Critically review the historical development of securities law principles and practices and judge its impact on the current context.

**Class Contact:** Lecture 2.0 hrs/Tutorial 1.0 hr/Equivalent to three hours per week. Normally to be delivered as two hours of lectures and one hour of tutorials, workshops or modules or a delivery mode as approved by the College of Law and Justice. Unit of study equal to 12 credit points.

**Required Reading:** Baxt, R., Black, A. & Hanrahan, P. 2008 7th Securities and Financial Services Law Sydney LexisNexis Butterworths Harris, J., Hargovan, A. & Adams, M 2013 4th Australian Corporate Law LexisNexis

**Assessment:** Test, Class Test, 20%. Essay, Written Essay No 1, 40%. Essay, Written Essay No 2, 40%. The total assessment in this unit is equivalent to 4,500 words.

### BLB3133 Comparative Commercial Law

**Locations:** City Queen.

**Prerequisites:** BLB1101 - Australian Legal System in Context/BLB1114 - Legal Research Methods/BLB1102 - Contracts 1/Nil

**Description:** This unit of study will examine one or more areas of commercial law from a comparative perspective. The unit of study will provide an introduction to the field of comparative law and do this by examining one or more commercial law units of study. It is expected that areas which would be suitable for comparative analysis would include the corporate laws of a number of different countries, the insolvency law of different countries as well as the contract laws of different countries.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to: 1. Distinguish the key features of commercial law that exist in common law and civil law legal systems; 2. Critically examine the differences and similarities between the commercial law of the common law and civil law systems that would contribute to a more equitable society/world; 3. Advocate the relevant options and legal remedies available to parties who are involved in inter jurisdictional disputes while respecting and valuing diversity; and 4. Review and predict the future importance of comparative commercial law in light of internationalism and economic globalisation and professional responsibilities towards local and global communities.

**Class Contact:** Subject to be delivered as a two week long intensive over the summer. Equivalent to 15 hours per week. Normally to be delivered as three hours of lectures, workshops or modules per day or a delivery mode as approved by the College of Law and Justice.

**Required Reading:** To be advised.

**Assessment:** Assignment, Essay not exceeding 1,500 words, 30%. Examination, Take home examination not exceeding 3500 words., 70%.

### BLB3134 Taxation Law

**Locations:** City Queen.

**Prerequisites:** BLB1101 - Australian Legal System in Context/BLB1114 - Legal Research Methods

**Description:** This unit provides an introduction to underlying principles and basic policy concepts in the operation of Australian income tax laws. Preliminary matters such as residency, source and derivation are first considered. The major principles of income taxation are analysed, including the taxation of income, capital gains, fringe benefits and goods and services. The major principles of deductibility, including statutory modifications, are considered together with the timing rules. In addition, the fundamental administrative mechanisms and basic principles of tax planning are analysed together with anti avoidance provisions.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to: 1. Synthesise fundamental areas of legal knowledge, including the underlying principles and concepts, related to taxation law in Australia; 2. Analyse the relevant legislative provisions and advocate resolutions to complex legal issues related to taxation matters covering such issues as residency, source, timing, understanding the income concept, deductibility and anti-avoidance provisions; 3. Initiate creative solutions to taxation problems based on thorough analysis, legal reasoning and research; 4. Identify, research, evaluate and synthesise relevant factual, legal and policy issues with initiative and judgement; 5. Elucidate legal principles, problems and possible solutions to both legal and non-legal audiences; and 6. Exemplify accountability for self-management of independent learning in a continuously changing 21st century professional world.

**Class Contact:** Lecture 2.0 hrs/Tutorial 1.0 hr/Equivalent to three hours per week. Normally to be delivered as two hours of lectures and one hour of tutorials, workshops or modules or a delivery mode as approved by the College of Law and Justice.

**Required Reading:** Graeme Cooper, Richard Vann, Miranda Stewart, Michael Dirks 2017 8th Income Taxation: Commentary and Materials Thomson Reuters

**Assessment:** Assignment, Assignment, 30%. Examination, Final Examination, 70%. The total assessment in this unit is equivalent to 5,000 words.

### BLB3136 Family Law in Society

**Locations:** City Queen.

**Prerequisites:** BLB1101 - Australian Legal System in Context/BLB1114 - Legal

Research Methods Nil.

**Description:** The aims of this subject are to: Introduce students to the principles and practice of Family Law in Australia. Enable students to develop an understanding of the principles underlying development of the Family Law Act 1975 (Cth) and the amendments to it and other relevant legislation. Provide students with a comprehensive knowledge of the rationale for and the current law with respect to marriage, divorce, children and the financial aspects of relationship breakdown. Provide students with an appreciation of current family law issues and the likely future directions of the law in this area. Provide students with an appreciation of the law relating to de facto relationships and the linkages to family law.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to: 1. Analyse the major issues in family law in contemporary Australian multicultural society; 2. Articulate the current law relating to children and the financial aspects of relationship breakdown and apply it to practical circumstances making professional judgements and decisions; 3. Analyse the principles of alternative dispute resolution in family law and evaluate its role in, and application to, complex family law disputes; 4. Articulate and evaluate the rationale for the development of family law as it currently stands in Australia and likely future directions; and 5. Contextualise the procedures adopted by the Family Court of Australia and the Federal Circuit Court in dealing with wide ranging family law matters in contemporary society.

**Class Contact:** Lecture 2.0 hrs Tutorial 1.0 hr Equivalent to three hours per week. Normally to be delivered as two hours of lectures and one hour of tutorials, workshops or modules or a delivery mode as approved by the College of Law and Justice. Unit of study equal to 12 credit points.

**Required Reading:** Further required reading will be posted on VU Collaborate and students will need to look up cases as part of the prescribed reading. Young L, Sifris A, Carroll R & Monahan G, 2016 9th Family Law in Australia Butterworths Family Law Act 1975.

**Assessment:** Other, Online Quiz, 10%. Assignment, Written research paper (not exceeding 1,500 words), 30%. Examination, Written examination (3 hours), 60%. The total assessment in this unit is equivalent to 5,000 words.

### BLB3137 Elements of Regulation

**Locations:** City Queen.

**Prerequisites:** BLB 1114 - Legal Research Methods BLB 1101 - Australian Legal System in Context

**Description:** The day to day work of lawyers requires precise and close reading of the legal materials that regulate our lives. The day to day work of law students requires the same close reading of legal materials to achieve mastery in substantive courses in the law school curriculum. The understanding of these materials takes significant technical expertise. This problems based unit will engage students in the close reading and analysis of primary legal materials in order to develop the technical skills necessary for both successful law study as well as successful law practice.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to: 1. Critically review regulatory theory and apply this knowledge to complex problems arising in practical regulatory environments, while also respecting diversity, culture and values of that environment; 2. Logically analyse real-world problems involving the role of regulation in the 21st century and recommended innovative solution that would contribute to a more equitable and sustainable world; 3. Demonstrate advanced interpretation and professional writing skills in the context of legal, governance and regulatory systems; 4. Interpret and adapt regulatory strategies

including statutory theory and technological approaches to regulation to balance individual and public good; and 5. Critically discuss the role of power and theories of governance in law reform as relevant to contemporary contexts.

**Class Contact:** Class contact of three hours per week (normally 2 hours of lecture and 1 hour of tutorial or workshop) or higher frequency of classes when taught in Burst Mode (eg Summer semester).

**Required Reading:** Twining W and Miers D 2010 5th Ed How to Do Things with Rules London/Cambridge University Press

**Assessment:** Case Study, Case study exercise (1000 words), 30%. Project, Project report (3500 words + footnotes & bibliography), 70%.

### BLB3138 Criminal Law 2

**Locations:** Footscray Park, City Queen, City Flinders.

**Prerequisites:** BLB 1101 - Australian Legal System in Context BLB 1114 - Legal Research Methods LLW1001 - Criminal Law

**Description:** BLB3128 Criminal Law 1 examined many substantive crimes and their genesis in the common law or statute law. This unit is designed to build on and extend that knowledge, by considering laws and concepts such as, drug and terrorist laws, capital punishment, identity theft and due process and crime control. The unit is also designed to move students beyond an understanding of black letter law to contextualise operations of criminal law principles in contemporary social, economic and political Australian environment. To that end consideration will be given to a range of topics including due process and crime control, euthanasia, law and order politics, sentencing theory and practice, and capital punishment.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to: 1. Contextualise the general principles of criminal liability in the social, political, and economic demands of contemporary societies; 2. Debate the social, economic and political factors that motivate governments to create new criminal laws; 3. Argue and justify the need for due process more than crime control in a range of contemporary authentic situations and consequently to any functioning parliamentary democracy; 4. Discourse comprehensively the debate between free will and determinism and interpret the role of neurosciences in the debate; and 5. Plan and conduct a research assignment applying criminal law theory and rules to contemporary situations.

**Class Contact:** Lecture 2.0 hrs Tutorial 1.0 hr

**Required Reading:** Prescribed reading is extensive and is available from E-Reserve in Library (Queen Street). Lectures notes are recorded and are available on VU Collaborate

**Assessment:** Assignment, Research assignment (1,000 words), 25%. Assignment, Research assignment (1,000 words), 25%. Examination, Final Examination (3 hours), 50%. The total assessment in this unit is equivalent to 5,000 words.

### BLB4104 Commercial Arbitration Law

**Locations:** City Queen.

**Prerequisites:** BLB 1102 - Contracts 1 Nil

**Description:** This unit of study will cover the law relating to domestic arbitration in a comprehensive compass. It will enable students to gain knowledge of the law applicable to the initiation and conduct of an arbitration as a form of alternative dispute resolution and the obtaining and enforcement of an arbitral award. Specific topics covered will include matters preliminary to arbitration, disputes that may be referred to arbitration, the arbitration agreement, enforcing the agreement to arbitrate, appointment of the arbitrator(s), challenges to the appointment of arbitrators, the Commercial Arbitration Act 2011 and its operation in relation to

domestic arbitration, the role of arbitral institutions, domestic arbitration as opposed to an international arbitration, the role of the courts in respect of arbitration, rules applicable to the conduct of arbitrations, procedural powers of arbitrators, confidentiality of proceedings, the arbitral award, making the award, challenges to the award, enforcement of the award and appeals from arbitrators. The relationship of arbitration to other methods of dispute resolution will form part of the unit of study. The unit of study presupposes a good knowledge of contract and commercial law. In addition to the statutory basis for arbitration in Victoria students will be expected to read and discuss a number of leading cases dealing with arbitration since much of the law of arbitration is contained in the cases.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Negotiate the principles of commercial arbitration law in a range of complex cases;
2. Critically evaluate and apply relevant sections of the Commercial Arbitration Act 2011 (Vic) to wide ranging relevant cases;
3. Communicate clearly and interpret appropriate arbitration agreements to given case study and practical situations and propose innovative solutions;
4. Identify and assess (given facts and circumstances) matters which can be the subject of arbitration with professional accountability and judgement;
5. Critically review the powers and duties of an arbitrator;
6. Analyse important considerations in the appointment and removal of arbitrators; and
7. Advise the application of awards, judicial review of awards and enforcement of domestic awards.

**Class Contact:** Thirty-six hours of class contact comprising of a combination of lectures, tutorials and group discussions to be delivered in burst mode face-to-face in Summer or Winter semester.

**Required Reading:** Commercial Arbitration Act 2011 (Vic) International Arbitration Act 1974 (Cth) Supreme Court of Victoria Practice Note No 2 of 2010 - Arbitration Business Detailed reading lists are available through the VU Law library

**Assessment:** Presentation, Presentation, 30%. Test, In-class test, 20%. Assignment, Assignment (2,500 words), 50%. The total assessment in this unit is equivalent to 5,000 words.

### BLB4105 Commercial Arbitration Practice and Procedure

**Locations:** City Queen.

**Prerequisites:** BLB4104 - Commercial Arbitration Law

**Description:** The unit of study provides specialised professional education for those interested in working in commercial arbitration. It brings together a range of knowledge and skills that are needed to be arbitrators in the running of the arbitral process and include the conduct of preliminary and directions hearings; the conduct of the hearing proper including rulings, awards and costs.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Apply processes and procedures of commercial arbitration to a variety of complex and contemporary case studies;
2. Communicate clearly and prepare documents relevant to an arbitration by applying relevant sections of commercial arbitration legislation;
3. Analyse the necessary stages of a commercial arbitration, from commencement to the award; and
4. Apply relevant procedural rules governing the conduct of parties and arbitrators to an authentic commercial dispute scenario with professional judgement.

**Class Contact:** Equivalent to thirty six hours per semester normally delivered in burst mode over Summer or Winter semester, as a combination of lecture, seminar, tutorial and/or workshop or a delivery mode as approved by the College of Law and Justice. When the unit is taught in Burst mode, students should set aside significant time around the Bursts of face to face classes for self-study and completion of

assessment tasks. Summer and Winter semesters are by nature more concentrated than traditional semesters of classes.

**Required Reading:** Commercial Arbitration Act 1984 (Vic) Detailed reading lists are available through the VU Collaborate space for this unit and in the Unit of Study Guide.

**Assessment:** Assignment, Scenario problem questions (maximum 500 words), 20%. Assignment, Analysis of jurisdiction issues in an arbitration scenario (maximum 2,500 words), 30%. Presentation, Team Moot Arbitration (Presentation/role play), 40%. Other, Written Memorandum to Solicitors on Arbitration scenario (maximum length: 2 A4 pages), 10%. The total assessment in this unit is equivalent to 5,000 words.

### BLB4135 Australian Employment Law

**Locations:** City Queen.

**Prerequisites:** BLB1101 - Australian Legal System in Context BLB1114 - Legal Research Methods BLB1102 - Contracts 1 Nil

**Description:** The aim of this unit is to introduce students to the underlying principles that make up the employment contract. These principles are drawn from two sources. Whilst the employment contract is a creature of the common law, it is increasingly affected by legislative intervention. Thus, both the common law approach to the control of the employment contract as well as legislative modification will be considered.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Synthesise fundamental areas of legal knowledge including the underlying principles and concepts related to employment law in Australia, and advocate resolutions to complex legal issues of employment law related to employment contract, the terms of the employment contract, the type of employment contract and issues of dismissal and industrial action;
2. Initiate creative solutions to complex employment law problems based on thorough analysis, legal reasoning and research;
3. Identify, research, evaluate and synthesise relevant factual, legal and policy issues with initiative and judgement;
4. Elucidate legal principles, problems and possible solutions effectively to both legal and non-legal audiences; and
5. Exemplify accountability for self-management of independent learning in a continuously changing 21st century professional world.

**Class Contact:** Lecture 2.0 hrs Tutorial 1.0 hr Equivalent to three hours per week.

Normally to be delivered as two hours of lectures and one hour of tutorials, workshops or modules or a delivery mode as approved by the College of Law and Justice.

**Required Reading:** Macken, O'Grady, Sappideen and Warburton 2011 7th ed Macken's Law of Employment Thomson Reuters, Sydney.

**Assessment:** Assignment, Written assessment, 30%. Examination, 3 hour open book examination, 70%. The total assessment in this unit is equivalent to 5,000 words.

### BLB4136 Equity and Trusts

**Locations:** City Queen, City Flinders.

**Prerequisites:** BLB2125 - Real Property Law BLB1101 - Australian Legal System in Context BLB1114 - Legal Research Methods

**Description:** Equity and trusts refers to those important doctrinal and remedial developments arising from the exercise of equitable jurisdiction by the courts. This unit of study will cover the historical development and content of equity; the concept of a trust, creation of express trusts, the nature of implied, resulting and constructive trusts; the concept of fiduciary obligations with particular reference to commercial settings and trustee's duties; Equity's supervision and control of trust powers and discretionary powers generally; the nature and significance of equitable remedies

including the distinction between remedies of a personal and proprietary nature.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Critically review collaboratively the historical reasons for a distinctive equitable jurisdiction;
2. Implement equitable principles in the resolution of a range of problems with initiative and professional judgment;
3. Theorise the principles that are relevant to both common law and equitable remedies and contextualise to authentic contemporary issues;
4. Convey equitable doctrines and their underlying themes with peer groups and professional communities of practice; and
5. Postulate the proper role of the general principles of law and equity in its social context.

**Class Contact:** Lecture 2.0 hrs Tutorial 1.0 hr Equivalent to three hours per week.

Normally to be delivered as two hours of lectures and one hour of tutorials, workshops or modules or a delivery mode as approved by the College of Law and Justice. Unit of study equal to 12 credit points.

**Required Reading:** Radan, C., Stewart, C (2013) Principles of Australian Equity & Trusts LexisNexis Butterworths

**Assessment:** Exercise, Online Quiz, 10%. Assignment, Research Assignment - Essay 2500 words, 40%. Examination, Final Examination, 50%.

### BLB4140 Privacy and Media Law

**Locations:** City Queen.

**Prerequisites:** BLB 1114 - Legal Research Methods BLB 1101 - Australian Legal System in Context

**Description:** This unit of study introduces students to key issues in the nexus between law and both privacy and media (both traditional media and social media). The media (through print and electronic forms) is an increasingly pervasive social force, negotiating social meaning and providing a forum for social issues. The potential for abuse and manipulation has seen an escalating level of regulation of media, both through formal legal apparatus and through self-regulatory systems. The impact of globalisation, centralisation of media control and convergent media simultaneously act to make the regulation of the media a more complex issue than it once was. This subject explores the regulation of media from the perspective of an autonomous media practitioner and explores key issues in media law and justice.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Elucidate a coherent critical, theoretical and technical knowledge with depth and social and global context in the area of Privacy and Media Law to a range of audiences;
2. Advocate solutions to complex practical problems with judgement and responsibility in advising and acting in matters involving Privacy and Media Law;
3. Provide specialist advice and functions with responsibility and accountability in the area of Privacy and Media Law related to local and global settings;
4. Critically analyse and evaluate information to complete a range of activities in the study of Privacy and Media Law; and
5. Adapt the necessary knowledge and skills to analyse, generate and transmit innovative solutions to unpredictable and complex 21st century problems in the area of Privacy and Media Law.

**Class Contact:** Lecture 2.0 hrs Tutorial 1.0 hr Equivalent to three hours per week.

Normally to be delivered as two hours of lectures and one hour of tutorials, workshops or modules or a delivery mode as approved by the College of Law and Justice.

**Required Reading:** Butler, D & Rodrick, S 2015 5th Australian Media Law Thomson Reuters

**Assessment:** Case Study, Moot and presentation (750 words), 15%. Assignment, Assignment (1500 words), 35%. Examination, Final exam, 50%.

### BLB4141 International Trade Law

**Locations:** Footscray Park, City Queen, City Flinders.

**Prerequisites:** BLB 1101 - Australian Legal System in Context BLB 1102 - Contracts 1BLB 1114 - Legal Research Methods

**Description:** This aim of this unit is to provide a general introduction to international trade law. It begins with an examination of the concept of free trade and the international structures that have been created to foster the liberalisation of international trade. It then focuses on the United Nations Convention on Contracts for the International Sale of Goods (CISG), followed by a consideration of Incoterms 2000 and 2010, and carriage of goods. The unit then concentrates on the Uniform Customs and Practice for Documentary Credits (UCP600) and financing of exports. Finally, this unit also offers an introduction to the World Trade Organisation (WTO), the GATT and international commercial dispute settlement.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Critically review contemporary policies and legal issues in international trade regulation and its relevance to Australia;
2. Evaluate the concept of free trade and justify the international structures that foster the liberalisation of international trade;
3. Inspect and assess the United Nations convention on Contracts for the International Sale of Goods, 1980 (CISG), UNIDROIT Principles of International Commercial Contracts, Hague Convention on the Law applicable to International Commercial Contracts, and the Principles of European Contract Law and interrogate its impact on contemporary trade worldwide; and
4. Inspect and appraise INCOTERMS 2000 and the Uniform Customs and Practices for Documentary Credits (UCP 500).

**Class Contact:** Equivalent to thirty six hours per semester normally to be delivered as a combination of lecture, seminar, tutorial and or/workshop or a delivery mode as approved by the College of Law and Justice.

**Required Reading:** Students must have access to the required text Mercurio B, Trakman L, Kolsky L and Zeller B, (2010) International Business Law South Melbourne, Australia: Oxford University Press The Text "International Business Law" provides thorough coverage of the major legal issues affecting Australian businesses involved in international trade, enabling students to understand both the law itself and its applications. The authors have combined a range of case extracts and other materials with incisive commentary to create a student-friendly textbook that is Australia-specific, but with international applications.

**Assessment:** Presentation, Student presentation, 20%. Essay, Essay, 30%.

Examination, Take home examination, 50%. Students will cover all four LOs via their assessments.

### BLB4142 Advanced Legal Research Dissertation

**Locations:** City Queen.

**Prerequisites:** BLB 1101 - Australian Legal System in Context BLB 1114 - Legal Research Methods This unit is only available to students who have been enrolled in Bachelor of Laws (BLAW), Bachelor of Laws (Graduate Entry) (BLGE), Bachelor of Laws/Bachelor of Arts (BLAA), Bachelor of Laws/Bachelor of Business (BLB, BLBA, BLBE, BLBF, BLBI, BLBM, BLBT, BLBU or BLEV) since PRIOR to 2015.

**Description:** The unit of study involves advanced legal research and writing on a topic of the student's choice. In consultation with the unit of study co-ordinator, students select their own research topics and formulate their research program. The topic should not duplicate a topic undertaken by a student in respect of coursework units of study for which a significant paper was written and submitted. The research and writing must be completed during one semester under the supervision of a member of staff and will involve the writing of a research paper of 7000-9000 words.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Exemplify high level competency in legal research in respect of all categories of research materials: primary and secondary; domestic and foreign;
2. Conceptually map the intersection between theory and practice with intellectual independence;
3. Extrapolate and interpret legal research implications, knowledge and skills to provide solutions to complex legal problems related to local and global communities;
4. Exercise critical thinking and judgement in the learning and application of law, drawing on knowledge of research principles and methods of law and cognate disciplines;
5. Design and implement a research study to investigate an original question through analysis, critical review and interpretation of relevant data;
6. Compose a scholarly advanced legal research dissertation presenting a clear and coherent exposition of knowledge and ideas to a variety of audiences; and
7. Troubleshoot and manage a research project to successful completion.

**Class Contact:** Seminar 2.0 hrs As this unit involves the completion of an individual research dissertation, significant private study will be required. Seminars will also be conducted to assist students in developing and their research question and conducting their research - Unit Coordinator will provide further details at the beginning of each semester.

**Required Reading:** Australian Guide to Legal Citation, 3rd ed., Melbourne University Law Review website at: [mulr.law.unimelb.edu.au/go/AGLC3](http://mulr.law.unimelb.edu.au/go/AGLC3)

**Assessment:** Research Paper, 7000-9000 words due week 12, 100%.

### BLB4143 Public International Law

**Locations:** City Queen, City Flinders.

**Prerequisites:** BLB 1101 - Australian Legal System in Context BLB 1114 - Legal Research Methods LLW1000 - Introduction to Public Law LLW1001 - Criminal Law

**Description:** This unit of study provides an overview of the key legal principles, rules, norms and players that operate at the international level. It compares and contrasts the hallmarks of the Australian domestic legal system with that of the international system, focussing on sources of law, State responsibility, dispute resolution and enforcement mechanisms, and emerging themes for the future.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Elucidate a coherent critical, theoretical and technical knowledge with depth and social and global context in the area of Public International Law to a range of audiences;
2. Advocate solutions to complex practical problems in Public International Law with judgement and responsibility in advising and acting;
3. Provide specialist advice and functions with responsibility and accountability in the area of Public International Law in both global and local settings;
4. Critically analyse and evaluate information to complete a range of activities in the study of Public International Law; and
5. Adapt the necessary knowledge and skills to analyse, generate and transmit innovative solutions to unpredictable and complex 21st century problems in the area of Public International Law.

**Class Contact:** Lecture 2.0 hrs Tutorial 1.0 hr Equivalent to three hours per week.

Normally to be delivered as two hours of lectures and one hour of tutorials, workshops or modules or a delivery mode as approved by the College of Law and Justice Unit of study equal to 12 credit points.

**Required Reading:** Stephen Hall, 2014 4th Principles of International Law LexisNexis Butterworths Gillian Triggs, 2011 2nd International Law: Contemporary Principles and Practices LexisNexis Butterworths

**Assessment:** Assignment, Essay not exceeding 3000 words, 30%. Examination, Final Examination, 70%.

### BLB4144 European Union Law

**Locations:** City Queen, City Flinders.

**Prerequisites:** BLB 1101 - Australian Legal System in Context BLB 1114 - Legal Research Methods Nil.

**Description:** This unit of study primarily examines EU law and integration in their political, social and economic contexts. It covers a range of topics and issues including: European integration and the EU legal order: foundations, defining events, constitution; the sources of EU law, legislative acts, general principles of law and international agreements; the relationship between EU law and national law: direct effect and supremacy over conflicting national law; judicial remedies; ECJ: reasoning and techniques; enforcement of EU law; EU trade law and policy: the free movement of goods, workers and services and freedom of establishment; competition law and policy; anti-discrimination law; and future directions.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Elucidate a coherent critical, theoretical and technical knowledge with depth and social and global context in the area of European Union Law to a range of audiences;
2. Advocate solutions to complex practical problems involving EU Law;
3. Provide specialist advice and functions with responsibility and accountability in the area of EU Law;
4. Critically analyse and evaluate information to complete a range of activities in the study of EU Law; and
5. Adapt the necessary knowledge and skills to analyse, generate and transmit innovative solutions to unpredictable and complex 21st century problems in the area of EU Law.

**Class Contact:** Seminar 3.0 hrs Equivalent to three hours per week. Normally to be delivered as two hours of lectures and one hour of tutorials, workshops or modules or a delivery mode as approved by the College of Law and Justice. Unit of study equal to 12 credit points.

**Required Reading:** Foster, Nigel (2014) 4th edition EU Law Directions Oxford University Press European Union Consolidated edition of Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU) (downloadable from <http://eur-lex.europa.eu>)

**Assessment:** Test, In class test, 10%. Assignment, Assignment (3000 words), 30%. Examination, Final Examination (3 hour) open book, 60%. The total assessment in this unit is equivalent to 5,000 words.

### BLB4145 Human Rights Law

**Locations:** City Queen.

**Prerequisites:** BLB 1101 - Australian Legal System in Context BLB 1114 - Legal Research Methods

**Description:** This unit will familiarise students with the international human rights system and the institutions and mechanisms that enforce human rights law. This course takes a thematic approach, considering the sources and scope of international Human Rights Law, major issues and dilemmas in human rights enforcement and the emergence of new themes within the human rights movement. Weeks 1-3 consider the legal foundation and scope of human rights. Weeks 4-6 outline the international institutions and mechanisms that seek to enforce human rights norms and law. Weeks 7-12 examine contemporary issues and developments in Human Rights Law.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Contextualise theoretical and technical knowledge of international human rights law and international institutions and enforcement mechanisms under the UN system through collaboratively analysing of contemporary issues;
2. Analyse and evaluate the effectiveness of international institutions in terms of functions, processes and outcomes;
3. Identify and analyse the challenges associated with, complex problems in human rights law from theoretical and practical perspectives and propose

creative alternatives; 4. Contextualise and interpret the interface between international and domestic law and, the implications of international human rights law for Australian domestic law and practice; and 5. Advocate creative solutions by generating and transmitting cultural awareness around concepts of universality of human rights and the substance of universal human rights in diverse cultural contexts.

**Class Contact:**Lecture 2.0 hrs Tutorial 1.0 hr Equivalent to three hours per week.

Normally to be delivered as two hours of lectures and one hour of tutorials, workshops or modules or a delivery mode as approved by the College of Law and Justice. Unit of study equal to 12 credit points.

**Required Reading:**McBeth, Nolan and Rice, 2011 *The International Law of Human Rights*, Oxford University Press Smith, 2012 5th edn *International Human Rights* Oxford University Press

**Assessment:**Presentation, Tutorial Presentation, 15%. Assignment, 2000 word Research Paper, 35%. Examination, Open book, 50%. The total assessment in this unit is equivalent to 5,000 words.

### BLB4146 Wills and the Administration of Estates

**Locations:**City Queen, City Flinders.

**Prerequisites:**BLB1101 - Australian Legal System in Context BLB1114 - Legal Research Methods

**Description:**Wills and the Administration of Estates concerns those principles related to property when a person dies. The legal requirements for making a valid will are explored together with what is to occur if a person dies without making a declaration of their testamentary intention. Associated concepts include the granting of probate, duties and powers of executors and administrators together with the alteration and interpretation of a will.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:**On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Collaborate and critically review the cultural values expressed in the law of succession in the context of multicultural Australia;
2. Implement the legal requirements involved in making a valid will exemplifying professional judgment;
3. Theorise the principles that are relevant to interpretation of a valid will to a range of professional and non-professional audiences;
4. Convey the process of administering an estate where there is no valid will in wide ranging circumstances; and
5. Postulate the proper role of the law when challenging dispositions made by a testator/testatrix.

**Class Contact:**Lecture 2.0 hrs Tutorial 1.0 hr Equivalent to three hours per week. One two hour lecture and one one-hour seminar per week. Unit of study equal to 12 credit points.

**Required Reading:**Mackie K 2013 *Principles of Australian Succession Law* Butterworths LexisNexis Croucher R, Vines, P 2013 *Succession: Families, Property and Death* LexisNexis Butterworths

**Assessment:**Assignment, Research Assignment 2,500 words, 30%. Examination, Final Examination, 70%.

### BLB551 1 Plain English and Commercial Drafting

**Locations:**Online, City Queen.

**Prerequisites:**Nil.

**Description:**One of the main reasons why legal language is sometimes difficult to understand is that it is often very different from ordinary English. The writing conventions are different: sentences often have apparently peculiar structures, foreign phrases are sometimes used instead of English phrases and unusual pronouns are employed. In recent times, society has challenged the continued usefulness, and

even validity, of traditional forms of legal writing and demanded a move towards the plain English drafting. This unit considers in detail the role of plain English in modern legal writing, with particular emphasis on contract drafting, and submission and advice writing. This unit will have a practical focus with students being required to engage in class discussions to examine the principles and techniques for writing law in plain English using real commercial documents.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:**On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Critically review the formation of plain English guidelines and reconstruct documents comprehensible by non-professional audiences;
2. Draft comprehensive commercial legal documents of wide ranging complexity using plain English;
3. Apply plain English guidelines when drafting in a business and commercial setting; and
4. Advocate in plain English, regulatory decisions for a range of stakeholders in a number of ways, including briefs, responses and visa applications, while balancing the interests of individuals and public good.

**Class Contact:**Equivalent to 36 hours per semester normally to be delivered as a combination of tutorial and/or online delivery mode as approved by the College of Law and Justice.

**Required Reading:**Butt, P (2013) 3rd edition *Modern Legal Drafting - A guide to using clearer language* Cambridge University Press

**Assessment:**Assignment, Practical Assignment requiring students to draft a range of legal and commercial documents (3,500 words), 50%. Assignment, Redrafting Exercise requiring students to redraft a series of legal documents using plain English (3,500 words), 50%.

### BLB551 3 Advanced Legal Research and Writing

**Locations:**Online, City Queen.

**Prerequisites:**Nil.

**Description:**This unit of study provides a comprehensive introduction to research methodologies in law, including the consideration of possible research topics for academic thesis/dissertations. Included in the unit of study matter of the course are examinations of the research process, considerations of ethical issues in legal research, problem definition and the research proposal, survey research, questionnaire design, quantitative research in law, and an exploration of different research paradigms and writing styles in legal research.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:**On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Interrogate and interpret legislation and case law as well as secondary legal materials and theorise about the applicability and limitations of experimental, survey and case study research;
2. Review, analyse and critique discipline-based legal knowledge to identify and interrogate complex problems and develop a broad perspective of discipline-related research undertakings, in the context of a fragmenting and globalising legal order; and
3. Conceptually map the research process identifying researchable problems and interdisciplinary approaches to investigating legal controversies and develop a defensible conceptual framework for research.

**Class Contact:**Seminar 7.5 hrs Equivalent to 36 hours per semester normally to be delivered as a combination of lecture, seminar, tutorial and or/workshop or a delivery mode as approved by the College of Law and Justice.

**Required Reading:**Wadsworth, Y. (2011) 3rd edition *Everyday Evaluation On the Run: The user-friendly introductory guide to effective evaluation* Crows Nest, NSW: Allen & Unwin

**Assessment:**Literature Review, Applying research methodology to legal issues and/or ethical issues in the workplace (1,000 words), 40%. Assignment, Applied legal

research assignment on developing and responding to a request for tender (2,000 words), 50%. Presentation, Group presentation evaluating the effectiveness of a project, 10%.

### **BLB5555 Commercial Contracts**

**Locations:**City Queen.

**Prerequisites:**Nil.

**Description:**The unit of study gives an overview of the fundamentals of contract law and will enable students to understand the principles and their application to commercial transactions. It will examine the historical development of contract, its place in economic and other theories of law and the impact of globalisation on domestic contract regimes.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:**On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Apply the fundamental principles of contract law and apply them to complex commercial transactions;
2. Identify and explain the essential elements of a valid and enforceable contract;
3. Discuss the structure of commercial contracts and explain key terms in contracts;
4. Critically analyse a range of strategies for negotiating business contracts;
5. Articulate legal risks that might arise during the negotiation of commercial contracts;
6. Discuss strategies for managing commercial contracts and managing the performance of contractual obligations;
7. Critically evaluate the application of key consumer protection provisions under the Australian Consumer Law and the application of key anti-competition provisions under the Competition and Consumer Act 2010 (Cth) in commercial transactions; and
8. Apply relevant provisions of the Personal Property Securities Act 2009 (Cth) in commercial transactions, and explain the nature of government and insurance contracts in commercial transactions.

**Class Contact:**Lecture 2.0 hrs Tutorial 1.0 hr Equivalent to thirty six hours per semester normally to be delivered as a combination of lecture, seminar, tutorial, online discussion and/or workshops or a delivery mode as approved by the College of Law and Justice.

**Required Reading:**J W Carter, E Peden and G Tolhurst (2012) 6th Ed Contract Law in Australia LexisNexis K E Lindgren (2011) 12th Ed Vermeesch and Lindgren's Business Law of Australia LexisNexis Melbourne University Law Review (2010) 3rd Ed Australian Guide to Legal Citation Melbourne University Law Review

**Assessment:**Assignment, Practical Assignment 1, 10%. Assignment, Practical Assignment 2, 40%. Examination, Final Examination, 50%. The above assessments are equivalent to 6,000 words.

### **BLO2205 Corporate Law**

**Locations:**Footscray Park, VU Sydney, City Flinders.

**Prerequisites:**BLO1105 - Business Law PROHIBITION: This unit is not available to any law students at VU or elsewhere whether enrolled in a single, combined or honours level law degree.

**Description:**This unit examines the principles relating to different business organisations. Students will critically review non-corporate business forms including associations, sole trader, partnerships, trusts and joint ventures. More particularly, the unit of study provides students with a sound understanding of the principles of company law and develop their ability to apply those principles to situations they may encounter in their professional lives. Topics covered include: types of companies; registration of a company; corporate personality; corporate veil and lifting the corporate veil; company constitution; contracts made by the company; prospectus provisions; share capital; loan capital and security; directors and officers, directors duties; fraud on the minority and oppression of minority shareholders.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:**On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Appraise the different legal frameworks of various business structures available for conducting business, and understand and apply statute law and common law in related problem solving;
2. Differentiate between the various types of companies, the effect of incorporation on each of them and explain the separate entity doctrine;
3. To be able to contextualise the role of the company constitution in the internal regulation of each of those types of companies and the powers of the corporation, its managers and agents to engage in dealings with "outsiders". Conceptualise the nature of shares and share capital requirements of the company and the regulatory framework of capital raising by the company;
4. Determine and articulate duties of directors and other officers and their important role in corporate governance in contemporary changing Australian and multinational scenarios; and
5. Argue the rights of shareholders and remedies available to shareholders when their rights are affected. Identify when a company is in financial distress and be able to prescribe the types of options available to companies in financial distress facing external administration.

**Class Contact:**Lecture 2.0 hrs Tutorial 1.0 hr Equivalent to three hours per week.

Normally to be delivered as two hours of lectures and one hour of tutorials, workshops or modules or a delivery mode as approved by the College of Law and Justice.

**Required Reading:**Lipton, P, Herzberg, A and Welsh, M 2016 18th edition Understanding Company Law Sydney, Thomson Reuters Students should possess their own copies of the Corporations Act 2001 (latest edition). CCH, Corporations and Securities Legislation Latest Edition; or Butterworths, Australian Corporations Legislation; Latest Edition; or Law Book Company Ltd, Companies and Securities Legislation.

**Assessment:**Case Study, Case study- including multiple choice online case study task, 10%. Assignment, Essay, 30%. Examination, Final Examination (Open Book), 60%.

### **BLO2206 Taxation Law and Practice**

**Locations:**Footscray Park, VU Sydney, City Flinders.

**Prerequisites:**NOT COMPATIBLE: BLB4135 Taxation law PRE-REQUISITE: Before undertaking this unit, students must have successfully completed either BLO1105 Business Law OR BLB1102 Contracts 1. PROHIBITION: This unit is not available to students enrolled in ANY single or combined law degree at VU or elsewhere. Law students who wish to undertake Tax law studies are directed to undertake the unit BLB3134 Taxation law.

**Description:**The aim of this unit is to introduce students to the general principles of the taxation laws of Australia through a study of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1936 and Income Tax Assessment Act 1997 and other important legislative provisions as well as a study of the common law applying to taxation principles.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:**On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Elucidate an understanding of theoretical and technical knowledge of taxation law principles as they apply through both legislation and common law;
2. Apply taxation law for both individuals and business entities in Australia;
3. Analyse some of the theoretical issues applying to taxation law, both in Australia and in other jurisdictions;
4. Apply taxation principles to make basic calculations as required by a practitioner in taxation practice;
5. Analyse, generate and transmit solutions to complex problems in relation to taxation matters;
6. Describe the various agencies and administrative bodies who can give further information on taxation issues as required; and
7. Exemplify accountability for self-management of independent

learning in a continuously changing 21st century professional world.

**Class Contact:**Lecture 2.0 hrs Tutorial 1.0 hr Equivalent to three hours per week.

Normally to be delivered as two hours of lectures and one hour of tutorials, workshops or modules or a delivery mode as approved by the College of Law and Justice.

**Required Reading:**Coleman, C, Hanegbi, R, Jogarajan, S, Krever, R, Obst, W, Teoh, J, Ting, A, (2016), Principles of Taxation Law Thomson Reuters.

**Assessment:**Assignment, Essay (2,000 words), 30%. Examination, Final examination (3 hours), 70%. Students only need receive a result of 50% overall, not a pass in both the exam and the assignment.

## **BLO2207 Employment Law**

**Locations:**Footscray Park.

**Prerequisites:**BLO1105 - Business Law This unit is incompatible with BLO4135 and BLO5513. Students who have completed either of these units are precluded from undertaking this unit. This unit is also not available to any students currently enrolled in any law course at VU or elsewhere. Law students wishing to undertake employment law studies are advised to undertake BIL4135.

**Description:**The unit challenge students to develop knowledge and skills in the area of Employment Law. Topics include: an introduction to Australian labour law; the sources of Australian employment law; the nature of the employment relationship; the content of the contract of employment, express terms, implied terms; recruitment and limits of managerial control over hiring; termination and remedies at common law; statutory remedies for arbitrary termination; preventative legislation; discrimination in employment; occupational health and safety issues; reforming the system.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:**On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:  
1. Appraise the factors that determine the existence of the employment relationship in a wide range of situations; 2. Contrast and compare the employment relationship with other type of work relationships; 3. Authenticate the terms of an employment contract through its establishment; 4. Critically evaluate the role of legislation on the employment relationship in contemporary Australia; 5. Advise the rights and duties that arise from the employment relationship in given situations; and 6. Argue factors that shape the development of the employment relationship in 21st century work settings.

**Class Contact:**Lecture 2.0 hrs Tutorial 1.0 hr Equivalent to three hours per week.

Normally to be delivered as two hours of lectures and one hour of tutorials, workshops or modules or a delivery mode as approved by the College of Law and Justice.

**Required Reading:**Price & Nielsen 4th ed Principles of Employment Law Thomson Reuters Recommended reading: Sappideen, O'Grady, Riley, Macken's Law of Employment, Thomson Reuter's 8th edn.

**Assessment:**Assignment, Assignment, 30%. Examination, Final Examination, 70%.

## **BLO3352 Legal Topics B**

**Locations:**Footscray Park.

**Prerequisites:**BLO1105 - Business Law This pre-requisite does not apply to courses ABSJ and ABSL.

**Description:**This unit of study is intended to increase students' knowledge of areas of the law that will assist them to contribute in the business community. The selection of topics includes: alternative dispute resolution; administrative law; the law relating to wills, probate and administration; special legislation which will include an examination of the resolution of disputes under the Family Law Act 1975.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:**On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Diagnose situations requiring the application of the principles of alternative dispute resolution and propose ethical and innovative resolutions; 2. Interpret the functions and processes involved in administrative law, succession law, human rights, equal opportunity and anti-discrimination law in complex contemporary issues; 3. Research, apply and appropriately reference the appropriate law and policy from particular statutes, case law, treaties and conventions; and 4. Advocate the relevant law relating to administrative decisions; wills and probate issues; human rights, equal opportunity and discrimination issues; and family law issues in resolving complex problems in multicultural Australian contexts.

**Class Contact:**Equivalent to three hours per week. Normally to be delivered as two hours of lectures and one hour of tutorials, workshops or modules or a delivery mode as approved by the College of Law and Justice. Unit of study equal to 12 credit points.

**Required Reading:**Latimer, P. 2013 32nd Australian Business Law CCH

Recommended Texts: Vermeesch R. B and Lindgren K. E., Business Law of Australia, 12th edition, Butterworths (2012)

**Assessment:**Presentation, Student presentations, 10%. Assignment, Research Assignment 2500 words, 30%. Examination, Final Examination 2.5 hours (all topics), 60%.

## **BLO3405 Law of Financial Institutions and Securities**

**Locations:**Footscray Park, City Flinders.

**Prerequisites:**Prior to undertaking this unit, Students must have successfully completed BLO1105 Business Law OR BIL1102 Contracts Law.

**Description:**The unit investigates the legal framework within which bank and non-bank Authorised Deposit-taking Institutions (ADIs) operate. Students will critically review their regulation under legislation, the general law and the Industry Codes; the assessment and operation of securities accepted by them; and the legal consequences of a borrower's insolvency. Topics to be investigated include: the legal setting of the Australian banking system, nature of the banker customer relationship, the conduct of financial institutions and their responsibilities to customers, cheques, negotiable instruments, securities, credit cards and electronic banking services, and insolvency.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:**On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Critically analyse legal issues commonly arising in the Australian financial and banking industries; 2. Determine and articulate the legal rights, duties and responsibilities of parties in a banker-customer relationship to achieve a balance of individual and public interest; 3. Interpret and apply legislation, case law and industry codes to problem scenarios; and 4. Review current legal issues affecting the banking sector.

**Class Contact:**Lecture 2.0 hrs Tutorial 1.0 hr Equivalent to three hours per week.

Normally to be delivered as two hours of lectures and one hour of tutorials, workshops or modules or a delivery mode as approved by the College of Law and Justice.

**Required Reading:**A Tyree, 2014 8th Ed Banking Law in Australia LexisNexis

**Assessment:**Presentation, Tutorial presentation, 5%. Assignment, Case study, 25%. Examination, Open book exam, 70%.

## **BLO5513 Law of Employment**

**Locations:**City Flinders.

**Prerequisites:**Nil.



**Description:** This unit critically examines aspects of industrial law required for highly skilled professional practice in the vocational aspects of employment laws. Students will respond to authentic problems, proficiently applying and adapting the skills necessary to propose optimal solutions to legal problems which may arise in contemporary and emerging industrial arenas. Critical and creative thinking will inform strategizing techniques and the ability to substantiate or validate innovative resolutions to challenges which may arise in professional practice such as contract of employment; termination of employment; worker's safety; and equal opportunity law.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Critically review the ways in which the common law impacts on the employment relationships;
2. Identify and apply legislation that applies to the employer/employee relationship including occupational health and safety legislation;
3. Critically reflect upon theoretical approaches informing legal principles and analyse their application across a range of employment contract categories;
4. Discriminate between the rights and responsibilities of parties to a contract of employment in a dispute situation;
5. Critique the legitimacy of a termination of employment and justify conclusions through the presentation of corroborating evidence;
6. Analyse scenarios representing common employment disputes to recommend suitable resolution measures or outcomes and to hypothesise likely outcomes; and
7. Exemplify professional judgement in applying the procedures for establishing an enterprise bargain agreement that demonstrates a critical understanding of the organisation or section's community practice/values and an individual's responsibilities within these.

**Class Contact:** Lecture 2.0 hrs Tutorial 1.0 hr Equivalent to thirty six hours per semester normally to be delivered as a combination of lecture, seminar, tutorial and or/workshop or a delivery mode as approved by the College of Law and Justice. Unit of study equal to 12 credit points.

**Required Reading:** Van der Waarden 3rd ed Outline of Employment Law Lexis Nexis  
**RECOMMENDED READINGS:** Macken, O'Grady, Sappideen, Warburton, The Law of Employment, 6th ed. Thomson Reuters

**Assessment:** Assignment, Research Assignment 3000 words, 30%. Examination, Examination 3 hours with 15 min reading time, 70%.

### BLO5539 Australian Income Tax Law and Practice

**Locations:** VU Sydney, City Flinders.

**Prerequisites:** BLO5540 - Business and Company Law

**Description:** This unit explores the income tax regime in Australia, through a critical review of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1936 and Income Tax Assessment Act 1997, as well as other important legislative provisions relevant to the GST and Fringe Benefits Tax. The concepts that make up the notion of taxable income and how tax payable is calculated will be interrogated from a range of perspectives. Australia's Goods and Services Tax (the GST) and Fringe Benefits Tax (FBT) and its application in wide ranging settings will be reviewed. Key taxation issues relating to a range of business structures including sole traders, partnerships, trusts and companies will also be analysed in this unit.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Critically review relevant legislative provisions from the Income Tax Assessment Act 1936 and Income Tax Assessment Act 1997 in identified contexts and situations;
2. Argue convincingly drawing on key provisions from Australia's tax legislation legislative provisions to resolve complex problems;
3. Resolve tax problems by applying the role of the common law in Australia's income tax system

and principles from key tax cases; 4. Critique the role of Taxation Rulings in Australia's income tax system and interpret Taxation Rulings on topics relevant to the unit; 5. Interrogate the interaction between the GST, Fringe Benefits Tax and Income Tax in Australia; and 6. Exemplify professional judgements and advise on issues relating to tax payable by individuals, and companies and other business structures in order to calculate an amount of tax payable or advise on a dispute that may alter the amount of tax payable.

**Class Contact:** Lecture 2.0 hrs Tutorial 1.0 hr Three hours per week delivered as 1 seminar once a week.

**Required Reading:** C Coleman, R Hanegbi, S Jogarajan, R Kiever, W Obst, J Teoh, A Ting, 2016 Principles of Taxation Law Thomson Reuters

**Assessment:** Assignment, Individual Research Assignment, 30%. Examination, Test (Optional) 20%, 0%. Examination, Individual final exam (open book = 70%) (50% if Optional test is taken), 70%. The above assessments have a total equivalent word count of 7000 to 8000 words. Graded Assessment consists of: (1) Assignment (30%) AND (2) either of the following (at the student's option): (a) Test (20%) AND individual open book Exam (50%); OR (b) individual open book Exam (70%).

### BLO5540 Business and Company Law

**Locations:** VU Sydney, City Flinders.

**Prerequisites:** Nil.

**Description:** This unit of study examines two broad and distinct areas of the law starting with the law of contract. Contract Law is the building block for all further study of law. The unit will critically examine the basic principles of contract law and interrogate the nature and legal consequences of contract, formation of contract, legal capacity, performance of contract, breach of contract and remedies. The second part of the unit will critically review relevant laws in relation to company law. Topics covered include: types of companies; corporate personality; company constitution; contracts made by the company; share capital and loan capital; directors and officers duties; shareholders remedies. The coverage of these topics however will be minimal and students will demonstrate high levels of personal autonomy and accountability and information literacy as they evaluate complex ideas and concepts and apply established legal frameworks to contemporary business situations and companies. This unit will equip the students with knowledge of relevant business rules and regulations to help them in managing contemporary business organisations dynamically and efficiently.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Critically review the Australian legal system and institutions relevant to commercial actors and advisors and argue its relevance in managing contemporary business organisations;
2. Critically examine the general areas of contract and corporate law and regulation encountered by commercial actors in local and global settings;
3. Commentate on the impact of political, economic and technological factors contributing to the evolution of commercial law;
4. Justify legal rules in an ex post manner (i.e. apply to a predetermined set of facts, leading to a determinate outcome) or ex ante (the shadow of the law provides incentives for commercial actors to re-frame their transactions to achieve a commercially preferred outcome) in a range of given situations; and
5. Deconstruct commercial transactions and exchanges within a legal framework and apply relevant legal rules and principles to resolve complex problems with creativity and initiative.

**Class Contact:** Lecture 2.0 hrs Tutorial 1.0 hr Equivalent to thirty six hours per semester normally to be delivered as a combination of lecture, seminar, tutorial and / or workshop or a delivery mode as approved by the College of Law and Justice.

**Required Reading:** Fitzpatrick J, Symes C, Veljanovski A, Parker D. (2017) 3rd

Business and Corporations Law Lexis Nexis Butterworths

**Assessment:** Assignment, Case Study - 500 words, 10%. Assignment, Research Assignment - 2,000 words, 30%. Examination, Final Examination - 3 hours (all topics), 60%.

### **BLO5606 Australia's Visa System**

**Locations:** City Queen.

**Prerequisites:** Nil.

**Description:** This unit of study provides participants with specialised knowledge and skills related to the Australian visa system, including requisite application procedures and investigation of case law to support submissions to government. There is a practical focus on the legal context for migration agents, the legislative and policy framework around Australia's visa system, the various mechanisms of migration control, key visa classes and their requirements, visa application processes and visa conditions.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to: 1. Interpret and apply relevant requirements of the Migration Act and Regulations and relevant Commonwealth Government policy and procedures in relation to the Australian visa system; 2. Identify the appropriate visa category to meet the needs of a variety of clients; 3. Deduce the requirements and application procedures for a range of different visas; 4. Propose and justify alternative pathway solutions to meet client needs; and 5. Interrogate and apply relevant case law in a simulated environment.

**Class Contact:** Equivalent to thirty-six hours per semester normally to be delivered as a combination of lecture, seminar, tutorial or workshop, or a delivery mode as approved by the College of Law and Justice. Unit of study equal to 12 credit points.

**Required Reading:** Immigration Advice & Rights Centre Inc. Chapters 7-21 The Immigration Kit Online (<http://www.iarc.asn.au>) Springvale Legal Centre (2014) Part 14 - Immigration Lawyers Practice Manual Victoria Thomson Reuters Students will also be provided with course notes via VU Collaborate. Student are also required to purchase the textbook Australian Migration Legislation Collection published by LexisNexis containing excerpts of relevant legislations which they are expected to read where relevant.

**Assessment:** Assignment, Assignment Task requiring students to interpret case law and the Migration Act and to provide solutions to complex scenarios, 20%. Assignment, Mock File requiring students to identify appropriate visa and alternative pathway solutions to meet a client's needs, 35%. Examination, Final Examination (MARA Common Task), 45%.

### **BLO5607 Visa Compliance, Cancellation and Review**

**Locations:** City Queen.

**Prerequisites:** Due to the sequential nature of units and assumed knowledge, students must complete the following units either concurrently with this unit or prior to undertaking this unit: - LML5000 Australian Migration Law - BLO5606 Australia's Visa System.

**Description:** This unit of study provides participants with specialised knowledge regarding the requirements for compliance with the Australian visa regulatory framework. It also focuses on review and appraisal of visa pathways to meet client needs and the preparation of appropriate submissions to government. A varied range of learning activities will support knowledge and skills development related to immigration compliance powers and the implications of non-compliance. Such activities include practical exercises to examine the general regulatory context as well as specific issues such as refusal, compliance and cancellation of visas, review processes and the preparation of review documentation.

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**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Identify and elaborate the requirements and procedures relating to refusals, compliance and other sanctions, appeals and reviews;
2. Formulate and justify alternative pathway solutions to meet clients' needs in a simulated environment;
3. Compile and generate appropriate submissions to government on behalf of clients; and
4. Initiate and implement appropriate strategies for providing effective advice to clients.

**Class Contact:** Workshop 8.0 hrs Equivalent to thirty-six hours per semester normally to be delivered as a combination of lecture, seminar, tutorial or workshop, or a delivery mode as approved by the College of Law and Justice. Unit of study equal to 12 credit points.

**Required Reading:** Immigration Advice & Rights Centre Inc. Chapters 22-23 The Immigration Kit Online (<http://www.iarc.asn.au>) Springvale Legal Centre (2014) Part 14 - Immigration Lawyers Practice Manual Victoria Thomson Reuters Students will also be provided with course notes via VU Collaborate. Student are also required to purchase the textbook Australian Migration Legislation Collection published by LexisNexis containing excerpts of relevant legislations which they are expected to read where relevant.

**Assessment:** Assignment, Assignment Task focused on visa cancellations and consequential review rights, including role play, 15%. Assignment, Assignment Task requiring students to prepare a submission to government, 40%. Examination, Final Examination (MARA Common Task), 45%.

### **BLO5738 Financial Institutions Law**

**Locations:** City Flinders.

**Prerequisites:** Nil.

**Description:** The unit of study examines the following areas: The Australian Financial System: - a review of the regulation of banks and NBFIs; the Reserve Bank and its functions; the regulation and deregulation of the Australian finance industry. The relationship between Financial Institutions and Customers: an examination of the legal character of the relationship; the duties of the customer and of the financial institution; the duty of secrecy and the impact of the Commonwealth Privacy Act and of the Financial Transactions Reports Act on the duty of secrecy; the role of the Code of Banking Practice; the impact of the Trade Practices Act on the dealings of financial institutions with customers and third parties. Consumer Credit regulation under the Consumer Credit Code. Lending and Securities; - a review of bankers' lending criteria and the types and legal characteristics of securities accepted by them - in particular the personal guarantee, mortgage and debenture fixed and floating charges; the enforcement of debts through insolvency or winding-up proceedings, and the enforcement of securities. Payment methods: - this topic covers negotiable instruments (including cheques); consumer and commercial electronic funds transfer and regulation under the EFT Code of Conduct. Law Reform Issues.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Class Contact:** Equivalent to thirty six hours per semester normally to be delivered as a combination of lecture, seminar, tutorial and or/workshop or a delivery mode as approved by the College of Law and Justice. Unit of study equal to 12 credit points.

**Required Reading:** To be advised by lecturer.

**Assessment:** Assignments and Internal assessment, 40%; Presentation, 10%; Examination, 50%.

### **LCM6000 Australian Legal System and Process**

**Locations:** City Queen.

**Prerequisites:** Nil.

**Description:** Courts and tribunals as institutions are shaped by a combination of legal

principles, historical structures and modern procedures. The unit of study will cover the purpose, values and role of courts and tribunals and review the history and origins of common law and the principles underlying Australian jurisprudence. These will be contrasted with those of other legal systems, including civil law and customary law. Key concepts in Australian law, including the rule of law, the adversarial system, trial by jury, and natural justice, will be explored alongside the role of court and tribunal administrators within this framework.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Analyse and conceptually map the components of Australian legal systems, including how these components intersect and interact, integrating the roles and responsibilities of court staff in these systems;
2. Present a coherent and sustained argument exemplifying a high level of personal autonomy, accountability and professionalism;
3. Critically analyse the Australian legal system in relation to other systems of legal knowledge and practice demonstrating scholarly rigor; and
4. Contextualise contemporary legal challenges within a broader social and political context to innovate recommendations that are generalisable across the legal system.

**Class Contact:** Seminar 7.5 hrs

**Required Reading:** A resource pack containing collated materials including legislation, regulations and journal articles will be provided.

**Assessment:** Research Paper, Research project (5,000 words), 70%. Presentation, Class presentation on current issue in Australian legal system, 10%. Case Study, Commentary on comparative legal systems (2,000 words), 20%.

## LCR2001 Corporate Crime

**Locations:** City Queen.

**Prerequisites:** LCR1001 - Introduction to Criminology

**Description:** Corporate crime is a significant economic drain on society. In this unit we shall examine the main forms of corporate crime ranging from company and security offences, collusion and corruption, taxation, consumer affairs and safety, and the environment. Case studies will be used to consider the determination of offences and the circumstances that lead to corporate crime. The unit will then consider the criminal liability of corporations, as well as their directors. The unit will then apply consider international examples of misconduct including misconduct in the context of corporate negligence as well as financial and accounting fraud. Policies, governance regulations, ethical guidelines and laws aimed at detecting and preventing corporate crime will be evaluated. The unit will conclude by considering the treatment of white collar offending in sentencing and comparing white collar criminal responsibility, to the civil penalty scheme, and the rationale and overlap between the two schemes.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Identify and examine key corporate offences and their social context
2. Analyse and explain the attribution of criminal liability to corporations and directors
3. Explain current policies, regulatory and legal approaches to corporate crime
4. Explain the differences between criminal responsibility for white collar offending and the application of the civil penalty regime.

**Class Contact:** Lecture 1.0 hr Workshop 2.0 hrs

**Required Reading:** Recommended readings will be made available via the unit's VU Collaborate site.

**Assessment:** Essay, A 2,000 word essay on a selected topic, 40%. Examination, A two hour closed book examination, 60%.

## LCR2002 History of Criminal Law and Trials

**Locations:** City Queen.

**Prerequisites:** Nil.

**Description:** This unit examines the history and development of the criminal law and the common law adversarial trial including the role of the jury. It considers their evolution from earlier forms of trial and the impact of permitting accused to be represented by barristers and the formalising of rules of evidence. It deals with pre-trial trial investigations, the role of justices of the peace and the emergence of organised police forces and their expanding powers. It includes the role of technology both in investigation and contemporary trial practice. These are contextualised to historic and contemporary correctional beliefs. Current calls for criminal justice reforms will be considered in the framework of these historical developments.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Analyse and communicate understanding of the historical context of selected topics and issues within criminal law and procedure, including investigation, trial processes, sentencing and corrections.
2. Critically evaluate developments in the contemporary criminal law and justice system in the context of historic and contemporary social, political and legal values..

**Class Contact:** Lecture 1.0 hr Workshop 2.0 hrs

**Required Reading:** A package of reading materials will be provided.

**Assessment:** Presentation, A 10 minute presentation on selected topic, 20%. Essay, A 2,000 word essay on selected topic, 30%. Examination, Two hour closed book exam, 50%.

## LCR3002 Crime Across Borders

**Locations:** City Queen.

**Prerequisites:** Nil.

**Description:** This unit will consider criminal offences that are committed across and beyond borders. It will consider in detail the elements of various offences, the domestic laws and international agreements that prohibit them, and the processes and institutions that seek to enforce them. In particular, the unit will consider kidnapping, cyber-crimes, money-laundering, terrorism, immigration offences, drug trafficking and other customs offences, crimes at sea (and illegal fishing), arms trafficking, war crimes and crimes against humanity. Finally, it will consider principles governing extradition and how investigatory agencies cooperate.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Critically assess the causes and consequences of contemporary cross border crime
2. Discuss international policies and advocate strategies to reduce cross border crime
3. Critically evaluate the principles of extradition and the role of international investigative agencies.
4. Deconstruct and analyse the various elements of cross-border criminal offences and justify the processes and institutions involved in enforcing the law
5. Collaborate in teams to critically investigate and propose/present resolutions to complex 21st century problems to peers and non-specialist audiences

**Class Contact:** Seminar 3.0 hrs

**Required Reading:** Recommended readings will be made available via the unit's VU Collaborate site. Recommended readings will be made available via the unit's VU Collaborate site.

**Assessment:** Presentation, Presentation on a selected topic (10 mins), 20%. Essay, Essay on selected topic, 30%. Review, Peer Review of presentation, 10%. Examination, 2 hour examination, 40%.

## LCR3003 Mental Illness and Law

**Locations:** City Queen.

**Prerequisites:** Nil.

**Description:** The unit raises important questions concerning current and historical understandings of mental illness, its relationship to crime, the culpability of the offender and appropriate sanctions and treatment. The unit discusses the nature of mental illness, the defence of not guilty on the grounds of mental illness and the involuntary treatment of prisoners.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Critically review and discuss the various historical and contemporary understandings of mental illness
2. Critically examine and discuss interconnections between mental illness, crime and the general principles of criminal liability derived both from common law and statute
3. Evaluate the use of involuntary treatment and commitment in Australia

**Class Contact:** Lecture 1.0 hr Tutorial 2.0 hrs

**Required Reading:** Recommended readings will be made available via the unit's VU Collaborate site.

**Assessment:** Essay, Undertake a research based essay on a selected topic, 40%. Examination, 2 hour closed book exam, 60%.

### LCR3901 Crime Research and Methods

**Locations:** City Queen.

**Prerequisites:** Students must have completed ten units.

**Description:** The aim of this unit is to provide basic social science research skills and methods and an opportunity to think more deeply about a contemporary issue related to criminology, examine the relevant literature and engage in a systematic and evidence-based investigation of that issue. Students in small teams will plan to undertake an empirical research project in an area of interest with due consideration of ethical issues. In this unit, student teams will develop a project plan and report on the process. In LCR3902 Research Project, student teams will undertake the study and report on the findings

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Articulate the scope of scientific knowledge and the strengths, weaknesses and application of the major research paradigms in criminology
2. Demonstrate and apply knowledge of the ethical issues in research
3. Demonstrate knowledge of key research strategies and methods of data collection and analysis
4. Select appropriate research designs and research methods to address hypothetical and real world problems
5. Describe techniques of quantitative and qualitative data analysis and fundamental statistical techniques

**Class Contact:** Seminar 3.0 hrs

**Required Reading:** A package of research readings will be provided

**Assessment:** Assignment, Identification of an issue for empirical research, 30%. Presentation, Presentation of draft research proposal, 20%. Project, Project proposal, 50%.

### LCR3902 Research Project

**Locations:** City Queen.

**Prerequisites:** LCR3901 - Crime Research and Methods

**Description:** The research project is the capstone unit of the criminology degree. Students will work in small teams to collaboratively undertake the research project planned in LCR3901 Crime Research and Methods. They will implement that planned project by collecting, analysing and interpreting the data and writing a final report on the findings. The project will be conducted as per VU ethics requirements. The group will provide and present a research report and peer review of each group member's

contribution

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Carry out a systematic literature review on a well-defined topic
2. Collaborate effectively to conduct a group research project including collection and analysis of research data within ethical and practical constraints
3. Synthesise literature, data and experience in the interpreting research findings
4. Exemplify a scholarly approach and develop a concise, clearly structured research report
5. Present findings to peers and provide constructive peer feedback

**Class Contact:** Seminar 3.0 hrs

**Required Reading:** Students will be required to undertake their own literature review appropriate to their chosen research project.

**Assessment:** Exercise, Prepare an ethical group research proposal, 15%. Presentation, Present the findings of the research project, 30%. Research Paper, Provide a 5,000 word research paper, 50%. Review, Undertake a peer review of each member contribution, 5%. Each individual's final mark will be determined by the lecture based on the outcome of the peer review.

### LL02001 Intellectual Property and Consumer Protection Principles

**Locations:** City Queen.

**Prerequisites:** BLO1105 - Business Law Prohibition./ anti-requisite: This unit is NOT available to students enrolled in any law degree whether combined, single or at an honours level due to the significant overlap with the BLB3129 Intellectual Property Law unit in those degrees. Law students wishing to undertake studies in this area of the law are directed to undertake BLB3129.

**Description:** Protection of intellectual property and protection of consumers are prominent issues in the 21st century. Within this unit, students examine the current laws applicable to protect consumers and also those applying to protect intellectual property. Consumer protection topics may include misleading or deceptive conduct, consumer guarantees, unfair contract terms and unconscionable conduct. Protection of intellectual property rights gives a broad understanding of the general principles and protections available for inventions and ideas. This unit examines these areas from a practical perspective, and is aimed at students in the practical professional areas of legal services or business.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Review the principles behind consumer protection laws and describe the types of behaviours from which consumers are protected by statutory provisions governing consumer contracts and misleading or deceptive conduct;
2. Articulate the different legal regimes for protection of intellectual property, including the key criteria for each regime as relevant to 21st century contexts;
3. Map the major steps involved to gain legal protection for patents, copyright and designs;
4. Adapt legal theory, rules and approaches to contemporary problems involving sometimes complex consumer protection issues;
5. Adapt legal theory, rules and approaches to contemporary problems involving wide ranging intellectual property issues;
6. Research, analyse, interpret and communicate ideas persuasively both orally and in writing to a variety of audiences; and
7. Demonstrate a commitment to professionalism through modelling professional behaviours, acting ethically and responsibly, including meeting deadlines and communicating appropriately.

**Class Contact:** Lecture 2.0 hrs Tutorial 1.0 hr Equivalent to three hours per week. Normally to be delivered as two hours of lectures and one hour of tutorials, or a delivery mode as approved by the College of Law and Justice.

**Required Reading:** To be advised

**Assessment:**Case Study, Written scenario case studies (2), 40%. Examination, Examination 2.5 hours, 60%.

## LL02002 Conveyancing and Inheritance Law and Practice

**Locations:**City Queen.

**Prerequisites:**Prior to commencing this unit, students must have successfully completed: - BLO1105 Business Law OR BLB1102 Contracts; and - LLO2000 Principles of Property Law OR BLB2125 Real Property Law; and - LLW1003 Legal Writing and Drafting.

**Description:**This unit is designed to provide students with knowledge of the legal principles and practical steps involved in conveyancing of land in transactions relating to inheritance, wills, probate and administration of a deceased estate. Aimed at students seeking knowledge and skills for paralegal work, this unit could count as a 'non-law' elective unit for students undertaking a Bachelor of Laws degree at Victoria University.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:**On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Map the key steps and processes involved in conveyancing of land and in inheritance matters (from execution of wills, through probate to administration of a deceased estate);
2. Apply relevant legal rules and practices to solve hypothetical contemporary complex real-world scenarios involving conveyancing issues in the manner of a paralegal;
3. Apply relevant legal and practices to solve hypothetical contemporary complex real-world scenarios involving wills, probate and administration of deceased estates in the manner of a paralegal;
4. Research, analyse, interpret and communicate ideas persuasively both orally and in writing to resolve problems as a professional; and
5. Demonstrate a commitment to professionalism through modelling professional behaviours, acting ethically and responsibly, including meeting deadlines and communicating appropriately.

**Class Contact:**Equivalent to three hours per week. Normally to be delivered as two hours of lectures and one hour of tutorial workshops, or a three-hour interactive seminar, or a delivery mode as approved by the College of Law and Justice.

**Required Reading:**To be advised

**Assessment:**Portfolio, Portfolio of Wills and probate-related artefacts and practical tasks and reflection on learning, 40%. Portfolio, Portfolio of Conveyancing related artefacts and practical tasks and reflection on learning, 60%.

## LL03001 Legal Services Project

**Locations:**City Queen.

**Prerequisites:**BLB1114 - Legal Research MethodsBLB1101 - Australian Legal System in ContextThis unit is only available to students enrolled in LBS who have competed at least 192 credit points.

**Description:**This is a project-based unit in which students work collaboratively in teams to complete a multi-faceted project. The project is designed to simulate a range of activities routinely expected of professional paralegals. The types of activities will include legal research, compiling an issues paper, and creating a folio of practical tasks for simulated client files. This unit synthesises real world or simulated legal services industry work with study concepts. Legal Service Project also develops capabilities through reflective practice, both in small groups and through individual study in applied contexts and develops capacities and accountabilities for own learning as well as continuous learning.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:**On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Develop and utilise a collaborative community of practice;
2. Locate and analyse a range of sources of information and synthesise the relevant information

- and ideas to create a legal issues paper on a real-work problem;
3. Synthesise workplace and academic learning using practical contexts as a mechanism for applied legal learning; and
4. Reflect critically, take a skills inventory and engage in career planning.

**Class Contact:**This unit has weekly one-hour workshops, plus weekly journaling research and journaling tasks which together involve a time commitment that is equivalent to contact-based units of study.

**Required Reading:**There is no prescribed text. Materials and instructions will be supplied weekly via the Online Learning and Management System.

**Assessment:**Journal, Online reflective journaling, 0%. Report, Issues Paper Research Report (2500 words), 40%. Portfolio, Folio, 60%.

## LLW2000 Torts 2

**Locations:**City Queen.

**Prerequisites:**BLB1115 - TortsBLB1101 - Australian Legal System in ContextBLB1114 - Legal Research MethodsThis unit is not available to students who have previously completed the former unit BLB1125 Torts 2

**Description:**This unit integrates the civil law of defamation and economic torts and explores the overlapping causes of action from other areas of the law such as legislation. The unit also explores more deeply the area of negligence causing pure economic loss, first introduced in the subject Torts BLB1115. Additional topics covered may include the range of actions in trespass to goods including the areas of conversion and detinue, privacy, breach of statutory duty and liability in tort for consequential-relational economic loss. Emphasis is placed on critical review of the role and boundaries of tort law; exploring current issues and the likely future directions of tort law.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:**On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Exemplify and review the torts introduced in the subject Torts BLB1115, including claims in negligence for pure economic loss and breach of statutory duty in contemporary settings;
2. Advise resolutions to complex problem situations by applying the current law relating to defamation, torts providing compensation for pure economic loss, torts relating to personal property, misuse of legal powers and statutory breach and discuss likely possible legal outcomes;
3. Appraise and assess authentic and hypothetical factual scenarios to identify the action(s) appropriate to the circumstances and apply the relevant law to the scenario in the manner of a practitioner advising and acting for a client;
4. Review the manner in which torts co-exist and interact with other causes of action;
5. Evaluate the rationale for the development of actions in torts and likely future directions in tort law; and
6. Investigate a specific area of torts law in a critical and innovative manner.

**Class Contact:**Seminar3.0 hrsEquivalent to three hours per week. Normally to be delivered as two hour seminars once to twice per week or workshops or modules or a delivery mode as approved by the College of Law and Justice.

**Required Reading:**Martin Davies and Ian Malkin 7th ed Focus Torts Lexis Nexis Butterworths Defamation Act 2005 (Vic) Wrongs Act 1958 (Vic)

**Assessment:**Assignment, Research Assignment, 30%. Examination, Exam (3 hour duration), 70%.

## LLW2001 Competition Law and Policy

**Locations:**City Queen.

**Prerequisites:**BLB1114 - Legal Research MethodsBLB1101 - Australian Legal System in ContextProhibition/ Anti-requisite: This unit is not available to students who have successfully completed the former unit BLB2123 Trade Practices Law and Policy

**Description:** On completion of this unit students should have a greater appreciation and critical understanding of Competition Law in Australia including the relevant provisions of the Competition and Consumer Act 2010 (Cth) and where applicable Common Law.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to: 1. Apply the relevant provisions of the Competition and Consumer Act 2010 (Cth) and where applicable Common Law to authentic contemporary situations to solve complex problems; 2. Investigate issues related to competition law and its underlying policies in Australia; 3. Evaluate applicable policies underlying the rules and principles of competition law with initiative and judgement; and 4. Articulate and present (both collaboratively and individually) accurate elucidation and interpretation of the current law on defined areas of Competition law.

**Class Contact:** Equivalent to three hours per week. Normally to be delivered as two hours of lectures and one hour of tutorials, workshops or modules or a delivery mode as approved by the College of Law and Justice.

**Required Reading:** J. Duns & A. Duke, 2011 3rd edn Competition Law Cases & Materials Lexis Nexis Butterworths

**Assessment:** Presentation, Tutorial presentation, 10%. Examination, Research based essay question, 30%. Examination, Problem based case study/ies, 60%. The total assessment in this unit is equivalent to 4,000 words.

### LLW2003 Statutory Interpretation

**Locations:** City Queen.

**Prerequisites:** BLB 1101 - Australian Legal System in Context BLB 1114 - Legal Research Methods

**Description:** The ability to interpret legislation is an essential skill in understanding law. This unit considers how statutes have been read and are being read by the Australian courts. The process of enacting legislation is considered together with the principles used by the courts. The concepts, interpretative criteria, and the techniques of the common law are examined with reference with federal and state legislation.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to: 1. Explain and distinguish the principles of statutory interpretation. 2. Apply interpretative criteria and the techniques of the common law. 3. Critically review the theoretical concepts underlying the approaches to statutory interpretation

**Class Contact:** Seminar 3.0 hrs Equivalent to 36 hours of contact. Normally to be delivered as two hours of lectures and one hour of tutorials, workshops or modules or a delivery mode as approved by the College of Law and Justice.

**Required Reading:** Pearce, D, Geddes R, 2014 8th Ed Statutory Interpretation in Australia LexisNexis Butterworths.

**Assessment:** Test, Online multiple choice, 10%. Assignment, Research Essay, 40%. Examination, Final Exam 2.5 hours, open book, 50%.

### LLW3000 Australian Administrative Law

**Locations:** Footscray Park, City Queen, City Flinders.

**Prerequisites:** BLB 1114 - Legal Research Methods BLB 1101 - Australian Legal System in Context LLW1000 - Introduction to Public Law Nil.

**Description:** Administrative law refers to those principles that supervise and control the executive powers of government. This unit of study will cover both common law and statutory processes. Particular attention is given to Commonwealth jurisdiction relating to such matters as internal review, merits review, judicial review, freedom of information and the role of the ombudsman.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to: 1. Critically review the role of Administrative Law in contemporary Australia; 2. Conceptually map relevant principles to the resolution of a range of complex Administrative Law problems; 3. Distil Administrative Law doctrines and their underlying themes collaboratively and with accountability for own learning and professional practice; 4. Rationalise appropriate Administrative Law remedies in wide ranging situations; and 5. Elucidate a sound appreciation of Administrative Law in the current changing social context.

**Class Contact:** Lecture 2.0 hrs Tutorial 1.0 hr Equivalent to three hours per week. Normally to be delivered as two hours of lectures and one hour of tutorials, workshops or modules or a delivery mode as approved by the College of Law and Justice. Unit of study equal to 12 credit points.

**Required Reading:** Two texts for this unit Douglas, Rand Head, M 2014 7th edn Administrative Law M Douglas and Jones's Federation Press Head, M 2012 3rd edn Administrative Law: Context and Critique Federation Press

**Assessment:** Test, Online Quiz, 10%. Assignment, Research Assignment - Essay 2,500 words, 40%. Examination, Exam, 50%.

### LLW3001 Law in Practice 1

**Locations:** Online.

**Prerequisites:** BLB 1114 - Legal Research Methods BLB 1101 - Australian Legal System in Context Prohibition/Anti-requisite: - Students who have previously completed BBB3200 Professional Legal Practice OR BLB 1103 Law In Practice 1 are not eligible to enrol in this unit.

**Description:** Law in Practice uses the student's own workplace as a foundation for interrogation of the practice of law. Integral to this is learning how to apply a body of knowledge to professional work as a legal practitioner. A thematic approach is taken, using inquiry into responsibilities of professional practice, ethical duties, ways of being a legal professional and development of legal literacies. As an integral VLS learning in the workplace and community offering, this unit synthesises curriculum based real world legal industry work and LLB study concepts. Law in Practice also develops capabilities through reflective practice, both in small groups and through individual study in applied contexts and develops capacities and accountabilities for own learning as well as continuous learning.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to: 1. Observe, analyse, compare and critique a range of legal industry workplaces and practices including socio-political context, organisational structure, work culture, professional responsibilities, and ways these elements intersect in contemporary Australian work settings; 2. Network, develop and utilise communities of practice; 3. Synthesise workplace and academic learning using practical contexts as a mechanism for applied legal learning; and 4. Reflect critically, take a skills inventory and engage in career planning.

**Class Contact:** Weekly research and journaling tasks have a time commitment that is equivalent to contact-based units of study. There are also two face-to-face one-hour workshops focused on curriculum and assessment.

**Required Reading:** There is no prescribed text. Materials and instructions are supplied weekly via the Online Learning and Management System.

**Assessment:** The assessment scheme has four components as listed below: Journal, Hurdle assessment. On-line journals, 0%. Essay, Workplace analysis, 30%. Essay, Case/Theme study, 60%. Practicum, Workplace professionalism and participation, 10%. Total word Length 5000 words.

## LLW3002 Alternative Dispute Resolution

**Locations:**City Queen.

**Prerequisites:**BLB 1101 - Australian Legal System in Context

**Description:**This unit of study provides an introduction to processes for resolving disputes. It focuses on negotiation and mediation in the context of current issues resulting in commercial disputes. The unit interrogates the theory underlying negotiation and mediation and critically reflects on the contexts in which they are used. It investigates the causes of commercial conflicts, analyses the roles and objectives of alternative dispute resolution (ADR) processes, court-based ADR and non-court ADR, including obligation in ADR, enforcing ADR outcomes, confidentiality and admissibility in ADR. ADR accreditation and future trends in ADR are also reviewed and discussed in the unit.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:**On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Apply and justify ADR theory, practice and processes in negotiation to disputes both individually and working with others;
2. Exemplify a model of mediation and working with others to plan and organise task allocation, develop and justify an approach to resolving problems in a specific context;
3. Critically analyse current legal issues in ADR, utilising growing lifelong learning skills to develop relevant ideas and perspectives; and
4. Advocate the practical, policy and philosophical reasons for dispute resolution, with reference to a developing understanding of the role of culture, values and dispositions in a justice system.

**Class Contact:**Lecture 2.0 hrs Tutorial 1.0 hr 24 hours of lectures 12 hours of tutorials

**Required Reading:**Required TextsTania Sourdin 4 Alternative Dispute Resolution Thomson Reuters

**Assessment:**Test, Online multiple choice test, 20%. Practicum, Online Dispute Resolution Simulation and Report, 30%. Assignment, Letter of advice and terms of settlement/arbitration award, 40%. Presentation, Group presentation, 10%. Total word limit is between 4000 - 5000 words.

## LLW3003 Court and Tribunal Internship

**Locations:**City Queen.

**Prerequisites:**Enrolment in this unit is also dependent on approval by the Unit Coordinator with places capped depending on the number of times the unit is offered and the specific workplaces in which it is offered. Admission to this unit is competitive. A written application is required; selection is based on GPA, written applications and interviews.

**Description:**This is an umbrella unit designed for intensive Court and Tribunal Internships offered in the College of Law and Justice such as the Supreme Court Internship and County Court Internship. It is intended that future internships will be developed with additional bodies. It will involve lectures by judges, tribunal members or other officials on the role of the institution and their roles within it, attendance at hearings or other institutional legal processes, and briefings on the functions of registries, libraries and other parts of the institution. Upon completion of the unit students will have a practical and detailed understanding of the how the particular court, tribunal or legal institution works and will be able to consolidate and synthesise their observer experiences in constructing a deeper understanding of legal concepts, legal knowledge, skills and practice and professional conduct.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:**On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Analyse legal concepts critically through reflective practice;
2. Interpret experiences as an observer in order to develop as a lifelong learner;
3. Construct new ideas and understandings about court, tribunal and institutional structures and processes, working both individually and with others to propose and critique

4. Apply a consolidated body of legal knowledge, professional conduct rules and ethical practice; and
5. Reflect critically on and analyse the impact of culture and values on justice, power and inequalities in the legal system.

**Class Contact:**Seminar 3.0 hrsThe breakdown of contact hours varies according to the specific internship. Depending upon the internship program, there may be between 46 and 53 contact hours in total for semester, normally comprising: Weekly 3 hour seminars (3x12 = 36). Each student will be required to attend 6 seminars (18 hours). Depending on the Court program each student will attend 4 to 5 intensive court days (7 hours each day = 28 to 35 hours total) out of the 13 intensive days offered (7 hours each day = 91).

**Required Reading:**Unit Workbook provided by Coordinator.

**Assessment:**The assessment for the unit will comprise a 1,000 word literature review basis for a 2,000 word reflective research paper and a group presentation. In addition to the graded assessment, an additional hurdle assessment applies: students will be required to attend all contact sessions due to the core nature of this unit's observational learning provided by the Court and Tribunal setting. Literature Review, Literature review (1,000 words), 15%. Assignment, Reflective research paper (2,000 words), 35%. Presentation, Group Presentation (group and individual contribution), 30%. Journal, Hurdle requirement: Reflective diary on court days (1000 words), 20%. The total assessment in this unit is equivalent to 5,000 words.

## LLW4000 Civil Procedure

**Locations:**City Queen, City Flinders.

**Prerequisites:**BLB 1101 - Australian Legal System in ContextBLB 1114 - Legal Research MethodsNil

**Description:**This unit of study will examine the identification and management as well as resolution of disputes, in particular, litigation as a means of dispute resolution. The unit will cover alternative dispute resolution (ADR) methods but will focus on rules of civil procedure in the Supreme, County and Magistrate's courts of Victoria. The unit will also touch on court rules and processes in the federal jurisdiction but the emphasis will be on the more important and common court processes in the state jurisdiction and principles of civil litigation such as parties, jurisdiction, pleadings, discovery, interrogatories, interlocutory applications, enforcement and appeals. This unit meets the Victorian Legal Admissions Board requirements for Civil Procedure.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:**On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Elucidate principles of dispute resolution;
2. Distinguish procedural law from substantive law and demonstrate the differences between them;
3. Analyse and canvass procedural issues arising from disputes such as parties, jurisdiction, forum, governing law and applicable rules;
4. Recommend appropriate and creative modes of dispute resolution for a variety of disputes and apply the appropriate rules and processes to resolve them with professional judgement;
5. Devise an appropriate course of action and apply appropriate court rules and procedures in the adversary system to reach an expeditious resolution for a range of disputes occurring in contemporary society;
6. Communicate clearly using appropriate language and present a coherent argument and an independent exposition of ideas; and
7. Correctly use the Australian Guide to Legal Citation where required.

**Class Contact:**Lecture 2.0 hrs Tutorial 1.0 hrEquivalent to three hours per week. This unit is delivered by lectures, tutorials, workshops, modules or a delivery mode as approved by the College of Law and Justice. Face-to-face delivery mode: - 2-hour lecture and 1-hour tutorial per week over 12 weeks totalling 36 hours; or - Intensive 12 3-hour seminars, workshops or modules adding up to 36 hours.

**Required Reading:**Andrew Hemmings & Tania Penovic, (2015) Civil Procedure in

**Assessment:** Assignment, Draft originating process and/or pleading, 30%.

Examination, Examination, 70%.

## LLW4002 Australian Migration Law

**Locations:** City Queen.

**Prerequisites:** BLB1101 - Australian Legal System in Context BLB1114 - Legal Research Methods

**Description:** This unit of study provides students with broad and coherent theoretical and technical knowledge and skills related to a specialist branch of administrative law, Australian migration law. Students will examine how Australian migration law works and consider migration policy, practice and procedures. Through case studies, class discussion and assessment tasks, students will review the general principles of statutory interpretation in relation to migration law with particular emphasis on the Migration Act 1958 (Cth) and the Migration Regulations 1994 (Cth). The philosophy underpinning the Australian migration system, the structure of the migration law and practice framework, and the concept of Australian citizenship will be examined. The statutory concept of entry to Australia will be a focus, as will the way non-citizens are controlled and represented. Students will be able to discuss, analyse and suggest solutions to contemporary migration problems.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Critically analyse the development of citizenship and migration law in contemporary Australia;
2. Conceptually map the categorisation of non-citizens in a legal context;
3. Critically exemplify professional practice in the review and analysis of legislative systems relevant to lawyers practising in migration law, including the Migration Act 1958 (Cth) and Migration Regulations 1994 (Cth) as well as case law and policy;
4. Interrogate authentic complex problems drawing on Australian migration law, including migration policy, practice and procedures and propose ethical solutions demonstrating accountability and responsibility; and
5. Advocate innovative solutions in collaboration with peers, to wide ranging problems in the area of migration, to hypothetical clients.

**Class Contact:** This unit is delivered in burst mode face-to-face. The unit is equivalent to thirty-six hours per semester and combines face-to-face classes, tutorials and discussion.

**Required Reading:** Catriona Cook et al (2014) 9th edition Laying Down the Law LexisNexis Springvale Legal Centre (2014) Part 14 - Immigration Lawyers Practice Manual Victoria Thomson Reuters Fitzroy Legal Service Inc. Chapter 22 - Immigration The Law Handbook 2015

(<http://www.lawhandbook.org.au/handbook/ch22s01.php>) Students will also be provided with course notes via VU Collaborate and two folders containing excerpts of relevant legislations which they are expected to read where relevant.

**Assessment:** Assignment, Assignment Task requiring students to resolve problems relating to migration law (2,000 words), 30%. Examination, Final Examination, 70%.

## LLW4004 Sports Law

**Locations:** Footscray Park, City Queen.

**Prerequisites:** BLB1115 - Torts BLB1102 - Contracts BLB1101 - Australian Legal System in Context BLB1114 - Legal Research Methods

**Prohibition:** This unit is not available to students who have already successfully completed AHS3503 Legal Issues in Sport and Recreation

**Description:** This unit of study is designed to develop students' awareness of the role of law and the myriad of interlinking legal issues potentially involved in sport. Topics

will include an examination of legal issues in areas including anti-doping, gambling and match fixing; diversity and anti-discrimination, and health and safety related to liability, player contracts (rights and protection), violence, injury, and risk management including choice of legal structure for sporting organisations. A student-sourced fieldwork experience in a sporting club or sporting association is required to consolidate this theoretical learning.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Critically review and present knowledge of key legal areas and their application to sport;
2. Interrogate and review a range of legal issues commonly arising in contemporary sporting contexts;
3. Assess relevant legal principles, legislation and rules to issues arising in sport contexts;
4. Negotiate the application of law in the policies, practices and culture of a sporting organisation or club working both autonomously and collaboratively with relevant stakeholders; and
5. Exemplify ethical judgement and professional accountability in the application of the law to contextualise, minimise and solve problems in a range of applied practical cases in elite and/or community-based sport organisations.

**Class Contact:** Seminar 3.0 hrs Thirty (36) hours for one semester, comprising online lectures, out of class independent reading and assignments; plus burst mode face-to-face tutorials and seminars. It is anticipated that this unit will be taught in burst mode, with approximately 15 hours face-to-face in burst mode plus 15 hours on-line, plus 6 hours student-sourced work experience or fieldwork in a sporting club or sporting association, or other sports-related fieldwork as approved by the unit Coordinator.

**Required Reading:** Thorpe, D, Buti, A, Fridman, C and Jonson P (2013) 2nd ed Sports Law Oxford Details of additional reading will be supplied through the Unit of Study Guide and/or university's e-learning management system

**Assessment:** Test, Short Answer, 1 hour, 20%. Report, Fieldwork/Work experience Project Report, 30%. Other, Contribution to class discussions (in class and online), 10%. Assignment, Written answers to hypothetical problem-style questions, 40%. The total assessment in this unit is equivalent to 5,000 words.

## LLW4005 Current Issues in Migration Law and Practice

**Locations:** Online, City Queen.

**Prerequisites:** LLW4002 - Australian Migration Law BLO5606 - Australia's Visa System The pre-requisite BLO5606 does not apply to students enrolled in LBWP, LHWP, LHLA, LHLB, LHLC, LHGE, LHLW".

**Description:** Migration law in Australia is an extremely complex and dynamic field of practice where legislation changes on a frequent basis. It is therefore important for practitioners to maintain currency in their knowledge and skill so they can respond quickly to changes in the regulatory regime and better advise their clients in planning and making migration applications. This unit of study will explore current issues in migration practice and the impact of recent case law decisions on the interpretation of the Migration Act 1958 (Cth), Migration Regulations 1994 (Cth) and associated legislation. This unit will also use practical cases examples to discuss topical issues resulting from the operation of the Migration Agents Regulations 1998, the Procedures Advice Manual (PAM), Migration Series Instructions (MSI) and the United Nations Documents on migration law.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Analyse critically, evaluate and transform information with respect to current legislative changes and the impact of judicial interpretation in migration law and practice both at the individual and corporate levels;
2. Critically analyse complex problems and current issues in migration law and practice and transmit solutions,



balancing individual and public good; 3. Transmit knowledge, skills and ideas in the area of migration, communicating clearly to professional and non-professional audiences; and 4. Critically reflect on the changes and driving factors shaping migration policy, its impact on clients, and design issues in migration law.

**Class Contact:** Equivalent to 36 hours per semester normally to be delivered as a combination of lecture, seminar, tutorial or workshop, or a delivery mode as approved by the College of Law and Justice.

**Required Reading:** Kamand, Suhad (2013) 8th edition The Immigration Kit: A Practical Guide to Australia's Immigration Law Federation Press Springvale Legal Centre Chapter 14.1 Immigration Law Lawyers Practice Manual Victoria Thomson Reuters Goddard, J, Germov R, Papadopoulos, P (2014) Australian Immigration Law (online boseleaf service) LexisNexis Vlachas, J, Bagaric, M, Dimopoulos, P, Pathinayake, A (2011) 3rd edition Migration and Refugee Law: Principles and Practice in Australia Cambridge University Press

**Assessment:** Assignment, Problem solving exercise based on a hypothetical situation (750 words), 15%. Assignment, Review and analysis of recent cases on migration law (1,500 words), 25%. Essay, Research Essay based on current issues in migration law and practice (2,000 words), 60%.

### LLW4006 Current Issues A: Access to Justice

**Locations:** City Queen.

**Prerequisites:** BLB 1114 - Legal Research Methods BLB 1101 - Australian Legal System in Context BLB 2122 - Advocacy and Communication

**Description:** The unit of study examines current issues relevant to courts and justice, and in particular access to justice. Topics will change from semester to semester according to the expertise of the teaching staff. Likely topic areas include: victims in the criminal justice system, family violence; white collar crime and integrity; access to justice in courts and for communities with non-English speaking backgrounds (NESB). This is an advanced level unit aimed primarily at students in the 3rd year or above of their LLB programs.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to: 1. Critically review and reflect on theoretical and technical complex problems and current issues in access to justice and propose a solution that indicates sensitivity to contextual, ethical and cultural dimensions of the problem, balancing individual and public good; 2. Interpret contemporary debates in the area of courts and tribunals and contribute to the understanding of complex issues in access to justice, communicating clearly to professional and non-professional audiences; and 3. Critically reflect on the changes and driving factors shaping policy relevant to courts, tribunals and access to justice, and its impact on stakeholders.

**Class Contact:** This unit of study will be delivered in seminar format, normally in Burst mode over Summer or Winter semester.

**Required Reading:** Prescribed and recommended readings will be listed on the unit's space in the university's learning management system.

**Assessment:** Presentation, In-class presentation of a an issue or case study, 30%. Research Paper, Written report (maximum 2,000 words), 70%.

### LLW5000 Advanced Commercial Law

**Locations:** City Queen.

**Prerequisites:** BLB 1101 - Australian Legal System in Context BLB 1114 - Legal Research Methods BLB 1102 - Contracts 1

**Description:** Advanced Commercial Law involves an examination of common law and statutory principles associated with fundamental proprietary, relational and regulatory aspects of contractual relationships. This unit comprises advanced knowledge and

skills for legal practitioners and other professionals working in the legal profession as well as for students undertaking further learning.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Critically analyse the nature and types of personal property rights and apply the relevant legal principles associated with the transfer and ownership of personal property in wide ranging situations; 2. Critically review and apply legal principles giving rise to an agency relationship and to a bailment relationship in contemporary commercial contexts; 3. Advocate the main obligations and rights of sellers and buyers under the Goods Act 1958 (Vic) with professional responsibility and accountability; 4. Interrogate the key consumer protection provisions under the Australian Consumer Law in complex commercial transactions; and 5. Resolve problems related to Personal Property Securities Act 2009 (Cth) in commercial transactions with initiative and professional judgement.

**Class Contact:** Lecture 2.0 hrs Tutorial 1.0 hr Equivalent to three hours per week.

Normally to be delivered as two hours of lectures and one hour of tutorials, workshops or modules or a delivery mode as approved by the College of Law and Justice. Unit of study equal to 12 credit points.

**Required Reading:** KE, Lindgren 2011 12th ed Vermeesch and Lindgren's Business Law of Australia LexisNexis

**Assessment:** Research Paper, Research based written legal advice, 40%. Examination, Exam, 50%. Test, Test, 10%.

### LLW5001 Corporations Law 2

**Locations:** City Queen.

**Prerequisites:** BLB 2119 - Corporations Law 1 BLB 1114 - Legal Research Methods BLB 1101 - Australian Legal System in Context

**Description:** The aim of this unit is to explore practical areas of Australian corporations law (including fundraising, takeovers, continuous disclosure and market misconduct) for students already familiar with principles of corporations law through BLB 2119.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to: 1. Critically review the rules and underlying policies of, corporations law in Australia at an advanced level; 2. Analyse relevant provisions of the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth) and, where applicable, common law and equity, and contrast and compare with similar statutory provisions in select overseas jurisdictions; 3. Provide relevant advice to clients in corporations law; 4. Plan and produce work which examines the Corporations Act and related legislation.

**Class Contact:** Lecture 2.0 hrs Tutorial 1.0 hr 2 Hours of lectures and 1 hour tutorial per week, plus 7 hours of private study/ assignment writing per week.

**Required Reading:** Yogarathnam and Xynas 10th ed Corporations Law in Principle 2017, Thomson Reuters. Recommended text: Lipton, Herzberg and Welsh, 2016 Understanding Company Law 18th ed, Sydney, Thomson Reuters

**Assessment:** Test, Multiple choice test, 20%. Assignment, Assignment (1500 words), 30%. Examination, Final Exam (Open book) 2 hours with extra 30 minutes reading time., 50%.

### LLW5002 Advanced Constitutional Law

**Locations:** City Queen, City Flinders.

**Prerequisites:** BLB 1101 - Australian Legal System in Context BLB 1114 - Legal Research Methods LLW1000 - Introduction to Public Law

**Description:** The unit of study examines key concepts in Australian constitutional law including techniques and principles of constitutional interpretation. The unit also investigates principal Commonwealth and State legislative powers and interrogates

the extent of the major powers granted to the Commonwealth. The unit also discusses limitations on governmental power including express and implied constitutional guarantees of rights and freedoms and the concept of separation of powers.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Exemplify advanced theoretical and technical knowledge in the area of Australian constitutional law and its application to government, including high level competency in legal research in respect of all categories of research materials: primary, especially legislation and cases, and secondary; domestic and foreign;
2. Conceptually map the intersection between theory and practice with intellectual independence and make professional judgements in applying constitutional law for public and client benefit in contemporary settings;
3. Analyse, extrapolate and interpret legal research implications, knowledge and skills to provide solutions to complex legal problems related to Australian constitutional law and government as demonstrated through a research essay and problem-based examination;
4. Exercise critical thinking and judgement in the learning and application of Australian constitutional law, drawing on knowledge of research principles and methods of law and cognate disciplines, especially political science;
5. Design and implement a research study to investigate an Australian constitutional law question through analysis, critical review and interpretation of relevant data; and
6. Apply knowledge and skills in the area of Australian constitutional law in recommending ethical resolutions to complex legal issues.

**Class Contact:** Lecture 2.0 hrs Tutorial 1.0 hr Equivalent to three hours per week.

Normally to be delivered as two hours of lectures and one hour of tutorials, workshops or modules or a delivery mode as approved by the College of Law and Justice. Unit of study equal to 12 credit points.

**Required Reading:** Required Texts Meagher, D, Simpson, A, Stellios, J, Wheeler, F (2016) 10th Blackshield and Williams Hanks Australian Constitutional Law Materials and Commentary LexisNexis Harvey, M, Longo, M, Ligertwood, J, Babovic, D, Parker, D (2014) 2nd Constitutional Law LexisNexis TBA

**Assessment:** Three types of assessment Other, Quiz, 10%. Assignment, Research assignment, 40%. Examination, Final exam, 50%. The total assessment in this unit is equivalent to 5,500 words.

## LLW5003 Evidence and Criminal Procedure

**Locations:** City Queen.

**Prerequisites:** BLB 1101 - Australian Legal System in Context BLB 1114 - Legal Research Methods LLW1001 - Criminal Law

**Description:** This unit of study covers the principles of the law of evidence, a branch of procedural law dealing with the proof of facts before courts and tribunals. It considers these principles in the context of civil and criminal trials, their application to parties and particular rules relating to the burden and onus of proof, relevance, character and credibility, corroboration, restrictions on access to information, testimony, opinions and the exclusionary rule against hearsay and its exceptions including admissions in criminal investigations. It focuses on the uniform Evidence Act and its application to criminal trials in particular and principles of statutory interpretation including common law codification. It critiques the forms of proof used in the common law adversarial trial and recent legislative reforms including changes resulting from social, political and technological developments including globalisation, digitalisation, civil rights and the search for effective and efficient dispute resolution procedures.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Conceptually map and integrate the relevant principles of evidence law and criminal procedure with the relevant substantive law;
2. Apply autonomous knowledge of evidence and criminal procedure law and other substantive law with well-developed judgment and responsibility to resolving complex issues of proof exemplifying creative and innovative problem solving;
3. Analyse and evaluate the impact of social, political and technological developments on the balancing of ethical and human rights claims around principles of evidence and criminal procedure law under globalisation;
4. Critique the strengths and weaknesses of the methodology of the adversarial trial and its inclusionary and exclusionary rules as a form of inquiry and fact finding;
5. Critically apply interpretative legal rules relating to legislation and case law including codification of common law principles in complex contemporary cases;
6. Collaborate and utilise advanced skills to select primary and secondary sources and apply research methods to evaluate and synthesis principles of evidence and criminal procedure law as law reform; and
7. Advocate and transmit knowledge, skills and ideas about principles of law to a range of professional and non-professional audiences.

**Class Contact:** Lecture 2.0 hrs Tutorial 1.0 hr Equivalent to three hours per week.

Normally to be delivered as two hours of lectures and one hour of tutorials, workshops or modules or a delivery mode as approved by the College of Law and Justice. Unit of study equal to 12 credit points.

**Required Reading:** Required texts no. 1 Recommended Reading nos 2, 3, 4 Odger S. 2016 12th ed Uniform Evidence Law Pymont/Thompson Reuters Heydon JD 1992 loose-leaf 1992 Cross on Evidence Butterworths Heydon, JD 2014 10th ed Cross on Evidence LexisNexis Ligertwood A and Edmond G 5th ed Australian Evidence Butterworths Support Materials: The class materials and tutorial problems and additional readings found on VU Collaborate provide the materials covered each week in lectures and tutorials.

**Assessment:** Presentation, Case presentation, moot court, 15%. Research Paper, Group assignment, 35%. Examination, 2.5 hour exam, 50%. The total assessment in this unit is equivalent to 6,000 words.

## LLW5004 Lawyers' Ethics and Professional Responsibility

**Locations:** City Queen.

**Prerequisites:** BLB 1101 - Australian Legal System in Context BLB 1114 - Legal Research Methods

**Description:** Intended to be studied in the latter part of students' course, this unit of study will examine the legal profession within the Australian context (in particular, Victoria) and the professional standards of the law profession. It will consider the general ethical responsibilities of the legal practitioner; the duties owed by the practitioner to the law, the court, the client (including the basic principles of holding trust money), fellow practitioners and the public. The focus will be on the regulation of the legal profession, the professional conduct of legal practitioners and the practical application of legal ethics in professional practice. This unit meets the Council of Legal Education's requirements for Ethics and Professional Responsibility.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Research relevant information on principles of legal ethics and legal practitioners' ethical obligations;
2. Canvas the framework for the regulation of the legal profession and the professional conduct of legal practitioners to a variety of audiences;
3. Elucidate and critically reflect on principles of legal ethics and legal practitioners' ethical obligations in professional legal practice in 21st century contexts;
4. Analyse and canvass ethical issues that commonly occur in professional legal practice in contemporary multicultural Australia and apply the relevant principles to creatively resolve those issues with accountability and

responsibility; 5. Devise and innovate arguments from existing principles to support or counter propositions for reform in legal ethics; 6. Communicate clearly, both orally and in writing, use appropriate language and present coherent arguments and independent exposition of ideas; and 7. Correctly use the Australian Guide to Legal Citation where required.

**Class Contact:**Lecture 2.0 hrs Tutorial 1.0 hr This unit is delivered by lectures, tutorials, workshops, modules or a delivery mode as approved by the College of Law and Justice. Face-to-face delivery mode: - 2-hour lecture and 1-hour tutorial per week over 12 weeks totalling 36 hours; or - Intensive 12 3-hour seminars, workshops or modules adding up to 36 hours.

**Required Reading:**Dal Pont G, 2013 5th edn. Lawyers' Professional Responsibility Pymont, Thomson Reuters Gino Dal Pont, Lawyers' Professional Responsibility 5th Ed (2013) or such text as may be prescribed by the unit co-ordinator from time to time

**Assessment:**Assignment, Assignment, 30%. Examination, Examination, 70%. The total assessment in this unit is equivalent to 5,500 words.

### LLW5900 Advanced Legal Research Methods

**Locations:**City Queen.

**Prerequisites:**Nil.

**Description:**This unit of study provides an advanced program of research training for students of proven academic ability. It provides structured and systematic examination of the nature, aims and methodologies of legal research as a foundation for dissertation design and writing. Included in the unit of study content are examinations of fundamental aspects of the legal research process, including problem definition, methodology, design of the research proposal, considerations of ethical issues, quantitative research in law, questionnaire and survey design, interdisciplinary approaches to investigating legal controversies, comparative research and the publication of legal research. Also included is a systematic review of the main online research tools for finding primary and secondary legal sources, including foreign legal materials. Overall, the unit provides students the opportunity to apply and modify investigative, analytical and critical skills gained and developed through the coursework units to the resolution of a legal problem.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:**On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Exemplify high level competency in legal research in respect of all categories of research materials: primary and secondary; domestic and foreign;
2. Conceptually map the intersection between theory and practice with intellectual independence;
3. Exercise critical thinking and judgement in the learning and application of law, drawing on knowledge of research principles and methods of law and cognate disciplines; and
4. Extrapolate and interpret legal research implications, knowledge and skills and create a research plan to provide solutions to complex legal problems related to local and global communities.

**Class Contact:**Equivalent to three hours per week. Normally to be delivered as two hours of lectures and one hour of tutorials, workshops or modules or a delivery mode as approved by the College of Law and Justice. Unit of study equal to 12 credit points.

**Required Reading:**Bott, B & Talbot-Stokes, R 2012 5th Nemes and Coss' Effective Legal Research LexisNexis

**Assessment:**Exercise, Preliminary outline of research form, 10%. Literature Review, Literature review (1200 words), 20%. Presentation, Presentation of research proposal, 20%. Research Paper, Research proposal (2000 words), 50%.

### LLW5901 Advanced Legal Research Dissertation

**Locations:**City Queen.

**Prerequisites:**BLB 1114 - Legal Research MethodsBLB 1101 - Australian Legal System in ContextLLW5900 - Advanced Legal Research Methods

**Description:**This unit provides for completion of the thesis requirement of the LLB Honours course and is a direct follow on from LLW5900 Advanced Legal Research Methods This unit of study follows on from LLW5900 - Advanced Legal Research Methods. This unit requires a student to write a 7000-9000 advanced legal dissertation based on the proposal created in LLW5900. The unit provides students the opportunity to apply and modify investigative, analytical and critical skills gained and developed through coursework units and LLW5900 to the resolution of a legal problem through a written dissertation. The research and writing must be completed during one semester under the supervision of a member of staff.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:**On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Critically review and interpret legal research implications as an ongoing process in providing solutions to complex legal problems related to local and global communities;
2. Exercise critical thinking and judgement in developing and reviewing a research plan, including the learning and application of law, drawing on knowledge of research principles and methods of law and cognate disciplines;
3. Design and implement a research study to investigate an original question through analysis, critical review and interpretation of relevant data;
4. Compose a scholarly advanced legal research dissertation presenting a clear and coherent exposition of knowledge and present research findings and ideas to an audience consisting of peers and/or interested academic personnel; and
5. Troubleshoot and manage a research project to successful completion.

**Class Contact:**Seminar 2.0 hrs Due to the nature of this unit, significant time is spent by students engaging in independent research and study. Class contact hours are normally to be delivered as lectures, seminars, workshops, consultation with research mentors, or a delivery mode as approved by the College of Law and Justice. Unit of study equal to 12 credit points.

**Required Reading:**Australian Guide to Legal Citation, 3rd ed., Melbourne University Law Review website at: [mulr.law.unimelb.edu.au/go/AGLC3](http://mulr.law.unimelb.edu.au/go/AGLC3)

**Assessment:**Thesis, 7000-9000 WORDS DUE WEEK 12, 100%.

### LLW5903 Mooting Competition

**Locations:**City Queen.

**Prerequisites:**BLB 1114 - Legal Research Methods Admission to this unit is by competitive application. The unit will be capped depending on the number of competitions offered from year to year. Criteria for selection will include course progression, marks in relevant units, experience or skills in mooting, debating or other advocacy experience. Applications are open in May of each year.

**Description:**A moot has been defined to involve a discussion of a hypothetical case as part of an academic exercise. Student participants are expected to construct their own knowledge, by conducting legal research and making an active effort to interpret and abstract meaning from case, statute and scholarly writings and relating this to the "simulated reality" provided by the mooting environment. The situated or experiential learning environment provided by mooting enables students to find theoretical knowledge and apply it in a practical sense. Students assume the role of advocates before a simulated bench. They research and prepare the case, draft and submit a written outline of argument, construct opposing arguments on the legal issues raised and present (and defend) those arguments before a simulated bench. Students perform the roles of both a solicitor, with respect to the outline of argument and factual investigation, as well as a barrister, with respect to the oral delivery of

arguments. Students will be allocated to teams for various external moot competitions in which they will represent Victoria University, College of Law and Justice. These will vary from year to year, but may include: Michael Kirby Contract Law Moot; Administrative Appeals Tribunal Moot; Jessup Moot; International Maritime Law Moot; Shine Torts Law Moot; International Vis Moots and the International ADR Moot.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Critically analyse practical legal problems to identify the legal issues with a view to solving them;
2. Plan and execute a legal research task independently;
3. Analyse appropriate case law, legislation and secondary materials;
4. Working both individually and in a team, interpret and apply case law and legislative provisions in solving a legal problem;
5. Construct persuasive written summaries of complex legal arguments;
6. Articulate complex legal arguments in a persuasive manner, including responding to judges' or arbitrators' questions;
7. Anticipate and rebut opposing party's arguments in oral hearings; and
8. Evaluate ethical, social and professional responsibilities in legal situations.

**Class Contact:** This unit will have weekly seminars, online discussions and regular practice moots. Students in this unit are required to prepare for a moot competition approved by the Unit Coordinator. Due to the nature of this unit, students should expect to spend considerable time engaged in private and group study, developing and practicing their moot skills.

**Required Reading:** Students are required to read the required text along with additional materials provided by the Unit Coordinator. Anthony E Cassimatis & Peter Billings 1st Thomson Reuters' Guide to Mooting Thomson Reuters Additional Materials and instructions are supplied weekly by the Online Learning and Management System (VU Collaborate).

**Assessment:** Other, Participation: Active participation in the compulsory seminars, 10%. Other, Team Written Memorandum (approximately 1500 words for each of the appellant/applicant and respondent), 40%. Presentation, Oral Presentation (Individual assessment): graded in the final practice moot before competition, 50%. The Seminar participation and Oral presentation (final Practice Moot) assessments are marked as individual assessments; the Written Memorandum is marked as a group assessment task.

## LLW7000 Access to Justice: Current Issues A

**Locations:** City Queen.

**Prerequisites:** Nil.

**Description:** The unit of study examines current issues relevant to courts, tribunals and justice, and in access to justice. Topics will change from semester to semester according to the expertise of the teaching staff. Likely topic areas include: victims in the criminal justice system; family violence; white collar crime and integrity; access to justice in courts and tribunals for communities with non-English speaking backgrounds; and self-represented litigants.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Critically analyse complex problems and current issues in access to justice and propose innovative solutions, balancing individual and public good;
2. Interpret contemporary debates in the area of courts and tribunals and contribute to the understanding of complex issues in access to justice, communicating clearly to professional and non-professional audiences; and
3. Critically reflect on the changes and driving factors shaping policy relevant to courts, tribunals and access to justice, its impact on stakeholders.

**Class Contact:** This unit of study will be delivered in seminar format, normally in Burst

mode over Summer or Winter semester.

**Required Reading:** Prescribed and recommended readings will be listed on the unit's space in the university's learning management system.

**Assessment:** Presentation, In-class presentation of an issue or case study, 30%. Research Paper, Written report (maximum 5,000 words), 70%. The total assessment in this unit is equivalent to 8,000 words.

## LLW7900 Research Methods for Law Thesis

**Locations:** City Queen.

**Prerequisites:** Nil.

**Description:** This unit of study will ensure that students have a solid understanding of research approaches to undertake a thesis in the discipline of law. This unit aims to develop students' ability to integrate the basic principles of quantitative and qualitative research methods with a contemporary approach to data analysis. The unit will provide graduates with the skills to conduct applied research that is relevant to developing new legislation and evaluating the effectiveness of existing laws, examining legal controversies, exploring ethical aspects of new legislation and legal policies. The unit is structured to ensure that the legal research process, from defining the research question, to producing a literature review, selecting and designing appropriate research methods, developing an ethics application, to conducting and presenting research is systematically demonstrated by students in incremental learning activities and assessment tasks. Students will understand the differences between quantitative and qualitative research methods and why and when researchers use either or both approaches. Students will consider dissemination and presentation of their research with a view to communicating research outcomes to maximise exposure to a variety of stakeholders (e.g. the legal community, government, community groups, etc.).

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Undertake a preliminary literature review demonstrating highly developed research skills in relation to location, analysis and synthesis of primary and secondary legal sources relevant to a legal research question or project;
2. Design research methodologies appropriate for a legal problem;
3. Theorise and develop a research question including a justified methodology that responds to the question selected, for a significant piece of independent legal research;
4. Articulate the ethical considerations in conducting research and elaborate the processes for applying for ethics approval;
5. Design an appropriate method to gather qualitative and/or quantitative data; and
6. Demonstrate characteristics of effective legal writing.

**Class Contact:** This unit will be organised with 12 x 2 hour seminars delivered online or in burst mode. Students are expected to engage in both online and face-to-face learning activities. Furthermore, students are also expected to undertake considerable independent learning (minimum of 7 hours a week) that will be, in part, directed from further recommended readings and questions posed both in class and online. Students' independent learning will also be directed by the requirements of assessment tasks. Students will be expected to attend face-to-face classes and synchronous online session as well as contribute to online discussions each week.

**Required Reading:** Details of readings will be provided to students via the unit's online learning space.

**Assessment:** Assignment, Preliminary Research Plan including research question (800 words), 10%. Literature Review, Preliminary Literature Review (1,500 words), 20%. Exercise, Data Collection Exercise and Reflection (800 words), 20%. Assignment, Research Methodology Evaluation and Justification (900 words), 20%. Project, Research Proposal (3,000 words), 30%. The total assessment in this unit is equivalent to 7,000 words. .

## LML5000 Australian Migration Law

**Locations:**City Queen.

**Prerequisites:**Nil.

**Description:**This unit of study provides participants with specialised knowledge and skills related to of Australian migration law, policy, practice and procedures. Migration agents require a solid grounding in the Australian legal system in preparation for their professional life. Through applied case studies and class discussion, students will review the general principles of statutory interpretation and the ethics and statutory responsibilities of being a migration agent. Students will broaden their existing disciplinary expertise to include an appreciation of professional codes of conduct, ethics and professional practice within this speciality and the role of the Migration Agents Registration Authority. The philosophy of the Australian migration system, the structure of the legislative framework for migration law and practice and the conceptualisation of Australian citizenship will all be addressed and evaluated. Learning activities and assessment tasks will require students to identify, develop and apply investigative tools commonly used by migration agents to locate relevant information upon which to base sound decision-making in migration cases.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:**On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Review, analyse and synthesise specialist knowledge in order to interpret and apply the provisions of the Migration Act and Regulations, case law and policy;
2. Propose and justify alternative solutions to complex problems in migration law, policy and administrative practices; and
3. Critically evaluate the distinction between ethical and unethical operational practices.

**Class Contact:**Workshop8.0 hrsEquivalent to thirty-six hours per semester normally to be delivered as a combination of lecture, seminar, tutorial or workshop, or a delivery mode as approved by the College of Law and Justice. This unit of study is one unit in a series of four units that are taught sequentially across an extended (24-week) semester. This unit is the first unit in that sequence and so is normally taught across weeks 1-8 of the semester. Unit of study equal to 12 credit points.

**Required Reading:**Catriona Cook et al (2014) 9th edition Laying Down the Law LexisNexis Springvale Legal Centre (2014) Part 14 - Immigration Lawyers Practice Manual Victoria Thomson Reuters Fitzroy Legal Service Inc. Chapter 22 - Immigration The Law Handbook 2016 (<http://www.lawhandbook.org.au/handbook/ch22s01.php>) Students will also be provided with course notes via VU Collaborate. Student are also required to purchase the textbook Australian Migration Legislation Collection published by LexisNexis which containing excerpts of relevant legislations which they are expected to read where relevant.

**Assessment:**Assignment, Assignment Task requiring students to evaluate court decisions on migration law, 20%. Assignment, Assignment Task requiring students to provide alternatives to complex problems in migration law, policy and administrative practices, 35%. Examination, Final Examination (MARA Common Task), 45%.

## LML5001 Applied Migration Law

**Locations:**City Queen.

**Prerequisites:**Due to the sequential nature of units and assumed knowledge, students must complete the following units either concurrently with this unit or prior to undertaking this unit: - LML5000 Australian Migration Law - BL05606 Australia's Visa System.

**Description:**This unit of study provides participants with the requisite knowledge and skills to practise as a professional migration agent. The focus is on planning, delivery and communicating effective migration services for clients. The participants will identify personal and professional development needs and develop lifelong learning

plans. Topics include: Working with interpreters Ethics and ethical decision making Submission and letter writing Cultural diversity Fee agreements Contracts File management Application documentation

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:**On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Formulate and justify specialised consultancy advice to effectively meet clients' needs in a range of situations and levels of complexity;
2. Strategise communication plans and procedures for interactions with key stakeholders including clients and government;
3. Prepare visa applications according to requisite regulations; and
4. Plan, organise and deliver effective migration services.

**Class Contact:**Workshop8.0 hrsEquivalent to thirty-six hours per semester normally to be delivered as a combination of lecture, seminar, tutorial or workshop, or a delivery mode as approved by the College of Law and Justice. Unit of study equal to 12 credit points.

**Required Reading:**Lewis, Gordon D., Kyrou, Emiliios J 3rd edition Handy Hints on Legal Practice The Law Book Company Students will also be provided with course notes via VU Collaborate. Student are also required to purchase the textbook Australian Migration Legislation Collection published by LexisNexis containing excerpts of relevant legislations which they are expected to read where relevant.

**Assessment:**Assignment, Assignment Task focused on various elements of migration practice, 10%. Assignment, Assignment Task requiring students to prepare a submission to government (MARA Common Task), 30%. Practicum, Phone Interview (MARA Common Task), 20%. Assignment, File Note based on phone interview, 20%. Assignment, Letter of Advice focused on the provision of migration law advice, 20%.

## LML6001 Practitioner Legal Skills for Australian Migration Law

**Locations:**Online, City Queen.

**Prerequisites:**Nil.

**Description:**This unit is designed to equip participants with the basic legal skills needed to begin to work in migration law, such as legal reasoning and statutory interpretation. Students will gain an understanding of the Australian legal system and administrative law and the relevance of case law to migration practice Students will develop the research capacity to find appropriate legal materials, they will learn to navigate and competently use various legal databases such as LEGEND.com, Austlii and Comlaw. During this subject and continuing throughout the course, students will work to develop the writing and communication skills needed for postgraduate academic law and future practice in this field of law.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:**On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Apply appropriate approaches to the interpretation of legislation that demonstrates a sound knowledge and understanding of the legislative process, the distinction between primary and subordinate legislation and regulatory impact process, parliamentary scrutiny and registration of legislative instruments.
2. Engage in legal analysis, reasoning and problem solving to develop complex arguments and conclusions.
3. Deconstruct and apply rules, policies and findings from cases and identify the arguments and reasoning.
4. Critically examine the role of administrative law in the Australian legal system and its impact on administrative decision making
5. Undertake research to assess current and relevant information from a range of sources including case law.
6. Formulate and implement communication strategies orientated to key stakeholders including clients.

**Class Contact:**Face to face classes will be run for 4 days over two weekends, 8 hours per day. There will be blended component where face to face students are required to attend the online exam revision class at the end of each unit's teaching period.

Online classes will be run for 10 days over 5 weeks, 2 hours per day. Online students are required to do 12 hours of self-paced learning in total in the unit to complete the pre-reading and focus question exercises prior to each week's online class. The online exam revision at the end of teaching period will be run in addition to the scheduled online classes together with face to face students.

**Required Reading:** Students will also be provided with course notes via VU Collaborate. Fernandez, R; Gerkens, M., Yau, D; Ozyurek, S. 2017 Australian Migration Legislation Collection LexisNexis

**Assessment:** Assignment, Resolution of hypothetical legal problems (1100 words), 20%. Assignment, Interpretation of legislation and case law to a hypothetical case. (1700 words), 30%. Examination, Final Examination, 50%.

### LML6002 Australian Migration Law

**Locations:** Online, City Queen, Saxons Training Facilities Level 10, 10 Barrack Street, Sydney NSW 200.

**Prerequisites:** Nil.

**Description:** This unit deals with the fundamentals of Australian Migration law, the role of migration agents and the application of migration law and policy. It will cover the history of Australian migration law. The development and structure of Australia's immigration system legislation and policy and the establishment of the Migration Agent profession. It examines the fundamentals of Australia's visa system including making valid visa application procedures for decision-making and general requirements for most visas.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Demonstrate an understanding of the relationship between the various levels of legislation, case law and policy and the Australian immigration system through interpretation and application of Australian migration law in a variety of scenarios.
2. Undertake research to assess current and relevant information from a range of sources to develop and deliver migration advice.
3. Demonstrate sound knowledge of relevant legislation to provide advice on procedures for valid visa applications.
4. Critically analyse and discuss the role and regulation of migration agents.
5. Formulate and implement communication strategies orientated to key stakeholders including clients.

**Class Contact:** Lecture 8.0 hrs Equivalent to 36 hours per semester normally to be delivered as a combination of lecture, seminar, tutorial or workshop, or a delivery mode as approved by the College of Law and Justice.

**Required Reading:** Fernandez, R; Gerkens, M., Yau, D; Ozyurek, S. 2017 Australian Migration Legislation Collection LexisNexis

**Assessment:** Assignment, Critical evaluating of court decisions on migration law. (1100 words), 20%. Assignment, Providing alternative resolution of complex problems in migration law, policy, administrative and ethical practices. (2000 words), 35%. Examination, Final Examination, 45%.

### LML6003 Australia's Visa System 1

**Locations:** Online, City Queen.

**Prerequisites:** Nil.

**Description:** This unit aims to provide students with the advanced skills needed to determine and advise on specific visa options, namely, in the family, spouse and other related visas of migration law. The research capacity to find appropriate legal materials and the requirements for specific visas and criteria for obtaining visas. In addition, students will develop the problem solving skills needed to apply this legal knowledge to particular situations when looking for solutions, visa options and pathways for clients.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Critically analyse a range of visas and legislative requirements to provide accurate and appropriate advice to clients.
2. Critically demonstrate sound knowledge of visa application procedures.
3. Recognise when and how to undertake appropriate research to prepare submissions, and applications and effectively advocate for clients.
4. Research, formulate and implement appropriate strategies for providing effective advice to clients.
5. Prepare appropriate, communications, submissions and applications to government and other stakeholders.

**Class Contact:** Face to face classes will be run for 4 days over two weekends, 8 hours per day. There will be blended component where face to face students are required to attend the online exam revision class at the end of each unit's teaching period. Online classes will be run for 10 days over 5 weeks, 2 hours per day. Online students are required to do 12 hours of self-paced learning in total in the unit to complete the pre-reading and focus question exercises prior to each week's online class. The online exam revision at the end of teaching period will be run in addition to the scheduled online classes together with face to face students.

**Required Reading:** Students will also be provided with course notes via VU Collaborate. Fernandez, R; Gerkens, M., Yau, D; Ozyurek, S. 2017 Australian Migration Legislation Collection LexisNexis

**Assessment:** Assignment, Interpretation of case law and the Migration Act 1958 and to provide solutions to complex scenarios. (1100 words), 20%. Assignment, Identification of appropriate visa and alternative pathway solutions to meet a client's needs. (2000 words), 35%. Examination, Final Examination, 45%.

### LML6004 Australia's Visa System 2

**Locations:** Online, City Queen.

**Prerequisites:** Nil.

**Description:** This unit aims to equip participants with the advanced skills needed to determine and advise on specific visa options, namely, in the economic and business aspects of migration, the research capacity to find appropriate legal materials, the requirements and criteria for obtaining specific visas. In addition, students will develop the problem solving skills needed to apply this legal knowledge to particular situations when looking for solutions, visa options and alternative pathways for clients.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Critically analyse a range of visas and legislative requirements to provide accurate and appropriate advice to clients
2. Demonstrate sound knowledge of visa application procedures.
3. Undertake appropriate research to prepare submissions, and applications and effectively advocate for clients.
4. Research, formulate and implement appropriate strategies for providing effective advice to clients.
5. Prepare appropriate communications, submissions and visa applications to government and other stakeholders.

**Class Contact:** Face to face classes will be run for 4 days over two weekends, 8 hours per day. There will be blended component where face to face students are required to attend the online exam revision class at the end of each unit's teaching period. Online classes will be run for 10 days over 5 weeks, 2 hours per day. Online students are required to do 12 hours of self-paced learning in total in the unit to complete the pre-reading and focus question exercises prior to each week's online class. The online exam revision at the end of teaching period will be run in addition to the scheduled online classes together with face to face students.

**Required Reading:** Students will also be provided with course notes via VU Collaborate. Fernandez, R; Gerkens, M., Yau, D; Ozyurek, S. 2017 Australian

**Assessment:**Assignment, Interpretation of case law and the Migration Act 1958 and to provide solutions to complex scenarios. (1100 words), 20%. Assignment, Identification of appropriate visa and alternative pathway solutions to meet hypothetical client's needs. (2000 words), 35%. Examination, Final Examination., 45%.

## LML6005 Visa Compliance and Cancellation

**Locations:**Online, City Queen.

**Prerequisites:**Nil.

**Description:**This unit examines the regulatory framework that ensures compliance with Migration Law in Australia. Students will cover grounds for refusal or cancellation of visas; sanctions for breaches of visa conditions; the consequences of unlawful status; detention, removal and deportation and offences under the Migration Act. Students will learn to appraise pathways and options open to clients, determine strategies and formulate submissions. The subject is designed to further to equip participants advanced skills needed to determine and advise on visa options and the research capacity to find appropriate legal materials.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:**On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Identify and critically analyse requirements and procedures relating to refusals, compliance and other sanctions
2. Recognise when and how to undertake appropriate research to prepare submissions, and effectively advocate for clients
3. Determine and implement appropriate advocacy strategies in negotiation with key stakeholders
4. Plan and prepare communication strategies with key stakeholders including clients and government
5. Demonstrate an understanding of ethical and professional standards including duty of care, informed consent and the nature of independent advice

**Class Contact:**Face to face classes will be run for 4 days over two weekends, 8 hours per day. There will be blended component where face to face students are required to attend the online exam revision class at the end of each unit's teaching period. Online classes will be run for 10 days over 5 weeks, 2 hours per day. Online students are required to do 12 hours of self-paced learning in total in the unit to complete the pre-reading and focus question exercises prior to each week's online class. The online exam revision at the end of teaching period will be run in addition to the scheduled online classes together with face to face students.

**Required Reading:**Students will also be provided with course notes via VU Collaborate.Fernandez, R; Gerkens, M., Yau, D; Ozyurek, S. 2017 Australian Migration Legislation Collection LexisNexis

**Assessment:**Assignment, Visa cancellations and consequential review rights. (1100 words), 15%. Assignment, A written submission to government or client addressing visa criteria. (2200 words), 40%. Examination, Final Examination., 45%.

## LML6006 Migration Review Mechanisms

**Locations:**Online, City Queen.

**Prerequisites:**LML6001 - Practitioner Legal Skills for Australian Migration LawLML6002 - Australian Migration LawLML6003 - Australia's Visa System 1LML6004 - Australia's Visa System 2

**Description:**This unit examines the regulatory framework that ensures compliance with Migration Law in Australia. This subject will cover grounds for refusal or cancellation of visas; merits and judicial review of decisions and ministerial discretion. Students will learn to appraise pathways and options open to clients, determine strategies and formulate submissions.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:**On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Identify and critically analyse requirements and procedures relating to appeals and reviews.
2. Recognise when and how to undertake appropriate research to prepare submissions, and effectively advocate for clients.
3. Determine and implement appropriate advocacy strategies in negotiation with key stakeholders.
4. Plan and prepare communication strategies with key stakeholders including clients and government.
5. Demonstrate an understanding of ethical and professional standards, including duty of care, informed consent and the nature of independent advice.

**Class Contact:**Lecture8.0 hrsFace to face classes will be run for 4 days over two weekends, 8 hours per day. There will be blended component where face to face students are required to attend the online exam revision class at the end of each unit's teaching period. Online classes will be run for 10 days over 5 weeks, 2 hours per day. Online students are required to do 12 hours of self-paced learning in total in the unit to complete the pre-reading and focus question exercises prior to each week's online class. The online exam revision at the end of teaching period will be run in addition to the scheduled online classes together with face to face students.

**Required Reading:**Students will also be provided with course notes via VU Collaborate.Fernandez, R; Gerkens, M., Yau, D; Ozyurek, S. 2017 Australian Migration Legislation Collection LexisNexis

**Assessment:**Assignment, Consequential review rights. (1100 words), 15%. Assignment, A written submission to government or client addressing review process and criteria. (2200 words), 40%. Examination, Final Examination., 45%.

## LML6007 Applied Migration Law

**Locations:**Online, City Queen.

**Prerequisites:**LML6001 - Practitioner Legal Skills for Australian Migration LawLML6002 - Australian Migration LawLML6003 - Australia's Visa System 1LML6004 - Australia's Visa System 2

**Description:**This is a Capstone unit that builds on the knowledge created and acquired in previous courses within the Graduate Diploma. Students will apply their knowledge in a variety of ways focusing on practical skills needed by migration agents and migration law practitioners to conduct an effective and successful migration practice. The Capstone subject will equip students with advanced skills needed to work as a registered migration agent in professional practice contexts.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:**On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Critically formulate and implement appropriate strategies to effectively advise clients and address their issues.
2. Demonstrate consultancy, advocacy and communication skills required to deal effectively with clients' issues.
3. Plan, organise and facilitate professional and effective migration services.
4. Demonstrate an understanding of standards applicable to the financial relationships established with clients.
5. Discriminate between ethical and unethical practices in offering migration advice and advocacy.
6. Construct a personal and professional development plan critically.

**Class Contact:**Lecture8.0 hrsFace to face classes will be run for 4 days over two weekends, 8 hours per day. There will be blended component where face to face students are required to attend the online exam revision class at the end of each unit's teaching period. Online classes will be run for 10 days over 5 weeks, 2 hours per day. Online students are required to do 12 hours of self-paced learning in total in the unit to complete the pre-reading and focus question exercises prior to each week's online class. The online exam revision at the end of teaching period will be run in addition to the scheduled online classes together with face to face students.

**Required Reading:**Students will also be provided with course notes via VU

Collaborate. Fernandez, R; Gerkens, M., Yau, D; Ozyurek, S. 2017 Australian Migration Legislation Collection LexisNexis

**Assessment:** Assignment, Complex hypothetical case requiring various elements of migration practice to be addressed. (1100 words), 20%. Examination, Telephone/Video Interview (Invigilated), 30%. Assignment, File Note. (1700 words), 20%. Assignment, Written Letter of Advice to client (1700 words), 30%.

### LML6008 Managing a Migration Agent business

**Locations:** Online, City Queen.

**Prerequisites:** Nil.

**Description:** This unit is a practical, interactive course designed to equip students with the relevant practical skills and knowledge to practice as a migration agent and to establish and operate a migration agency. The unit/subject will cover topics such as ethics and professional practice, accounts management, business management, file management, interviewing, statutory interpretation, preparing applications and submissions, and advocating a case. Students will be provided opportunities to apply theoretical and practical knowledge to a practical simulated work environment and to observe professional practice within a migration agency context.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Exemplify ethical principles, intercultural understanding and the obligations associated with managing a migration practice in professional practice
2. Adapt efficient client file management, accounts and business management principles when operating a migration agency, including implementing the compliance requirements imposed by the Code of Conduct
3. Communicate clearly and effectively with clients (including key stakeholders such as government), including ascertaining facts and information from clients and delivering advice to clients while respecting and valuing diversity and maintaining confidentiality
4. Evaluate continuously the changing legislative and regulatory regime as it applies to the contemporary migration agent
5. Critically analyse and troubleshoot complex problems in relation to operating a migration agency
6. Commit to and undertake an ongoing professional development program

**Class Contact:** Lecture 8.0 hrs Face to face classes will be run for 4 days over two weekends, 8 hours per day. There will be blended component where face to face students are required to attend the online exam revision class at the end of each unit's teaching period. Online classes will be run for 10 days over 5 weeks, 2 hours per day. Online students are required to do 12 hours of self-paced learning in total in the unit to complete the pre-reading and focus question exercises prior to each week's online class. The online exam revision at the end of teaching period will be run in addition to the scheduled online classes together with face to face students.

**Required Reading:** Students will also be provided with course notes via VU Collaborate. Fernandez, R; Gerkens, M., Yau, D; Ozyurek, S. 2017 Australian Migration Legislation Collection LexisNexis

**Assessment:** Assignment, Analysis of significant elements of migration practice. (1100 words), 20%. Assignment, Preparation of a business plan. (1100 words), 20%. Examination, Final Examination., 60%.

### LML7001 Current Issues in Migration Law and Practice

**Locations:** City Queen.

**Prerequisites:** LML5000 - Australian Migration Law BLO5606 - Australia's Visa System

**Description:** Migration law in Australia is an extremely complex and dynamic field of practice where legislation changes on a frequent basis. It is therefore important for practitioners to maintain currency in their knowledge and skill so they can respond quickly to changes in the regulatory regime and better advise their clients in planning

and making migration applications. This unit of study will explore current issues in migration practice and the impact of recent case law decisions on the interpretation of the Migration Act 1958 (Cth), Migration Regulations 1994 (Cth) and associated legislation. This unit will also use practical cases examples to discuss topical issues resulting from the operation of the Migration Agents Regulations 1998, the Procedures Advice Manual (PAM), Migration Series Instructions (MSI) and the United Nations Documents on migration law.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Critically review the current legislative changes and the impact of judicial interpretation in relation to migration law and practice both at individual and corporate levels;
2. Critically analyse complex problems and current issues in migration law and practice and propose innovative solutions, balancing individual and public good;
3. Interpret contemporary debates in the area of migration and contribute to the understanding of complex issues in migration law, communicating clearly to professional and non-professional audiences; and
4. Critically reflect on the changes and driving factors shaping migration policy, its impact on clients, and design issues in migration law.

**Class Contact:** Lecture 8.0 hrs Equivalent to 36 hours per semester normally to be delivered as a combination of lecture, seminar, tutorial or workshop, or a delivery mode as approved by the College of Law and Justice.

**Required Reading:** Kamand, Suhad (2013) 8th edition The Immigration Kit: A Practical Guide to Australia's Immigration Law Federation Press Springvale Legal Centre Chapter 14.1 Immigration Law Lawyers Practice Manual Victoria Thomson Reuters Goddard, J, Germov R, Papadopoulos, P (2014) Australian Immigration Law (online boseleaf service) LexisNexis Vrachnas, J, Bagaric, M, Dimopoulos, P, Pathinayake, A (2011) 3rd edition Migration and Refugee Law: Principles and Practice in Australia Cambridge University Press

**Assessment:** Assignment, Problem solving exercise based on a hypothetical situation (1,000 words), 15%. Assignment, Review and analysis of recent cases on migration law (2,000 words), 25%. Essay, Research Essay based on current issues in migration law and practice (3,500 words), 60%.

### LML7003 Comparative Migration Law

**Locations:** City Queen.

**Prerequisites:** LML5000 - Australian Migration Law BLO5606 - Australia's Visa System

**Description:** This unit of study examines the migration legislative framework and visa structure across a number of countries, such as Canada, Malaysia, New Zealand, Singapore, United Kingdom and the United States of America. It aims to provide students with the knowledge and skills to critically evaluate the considerations that different governments adopt in developing migration legislation and policies. This unit has a practical focus, and a particular emphasis on the commonalities and differences between Australia's and New Zealand's legal system in relation to migration law. Authentic case studies will be used to comparatively discuss the two countries' regulatory system of migration, citizenship requirements, and review and appeals processes.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Cross-examine the key features of the migration legislative framework and visa structure of a number of common and civil law countries and review its implications to individuals and communities;
2. Review and predict the future importance of migration law in light of internationalism and economic globalisation and professional responsibilities towards local and global communities;
3. Advocate the relevant visa options and review and appeals mechanisms available to parties making



migration applications for a number of different countries; 4. Adapt knowledge of contemporary New Zealand migration legislation and policy including the Immigration Act 2009 and the Immigration (Visas, Entry Permission and Related Matters) Regulations 2010 and Immigration Adviser's Licensing Act 2007 to resolve complex immigration problems; 5. Critically review and contextualise the Australian migration law framework and New Zealand migration law framework to interrogate cases from those jurisdictions; and 6. Debate international comparative migration law issues in a scholarly and persuasive manner.

**Class Contact:** Seminar 8.0 hrs Equivalent to 36 hours per semester normally to be delivered as a combination of lecture, seminar, tutorial or workshop, or a delivery mode as approved by the College of Law and Justice.

**Required Reading:** Tennent, Doug (2010) Immigration and Refugee Law LexisNexis Butterworths Legislation Series (2014) Immigration Legislation LexisNexis

**Assessment:** Essay, Research Essay evaluating the migration legislative framework between Australia and other countries (2,000 words), 30%. Assignment, Practical Exercise requiring students to demonstrate knowledge of New Zealand's migration legislation and policy (1,500 words), 20%. Assignment, Practical Exercise requiring students to prepare a submissions in support of migration applications in New Zealand (1,500 words), 20%. Examination, Final Examination, 30%. The total assessment in this unit equates to 8,000 words.

### LML7004 Advanced Australian Migration Law

**Locations:** City Queen.

**Prerequisites:** LML5000 - Australian Migration Law BLO5606 - Australia's Visa System BLO5607 - Visa Compliance, Cancellation and Review LML5001 - Applied Migration Law

**Description:** This unit of study builds on the fundamental migration law principles examined in the prerequisite subjects to provide students with a sophisticated theoretical understanding of complex provisions of the Migration Act 1958, Migration Regulations 1994, case law and migration policies that applies in migration practice. The unit will focus on developments in advanced migration matters and clearance issues (such as border protection legislation, immigration detention, and removal and deportation requirements), character and section 501 cases, temporary and permanent work visas, and complex considerations when advising on family and business visas. Advanced issues in ethics, confidentiality and legal professional privilege in migration matters will also be considered in this unit.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to: 1. Interpret provisions of the Migration Act 1958 (Cth), Migration Regulations 1994 (Cth), associated legislation and current case law in relation to contemporary migration issues in Australia; 2. Critically analyse migration problems at an advanced level and propose creative resolutions with responsibility and accountability; 3. Interrogate authentic and complex cases applying the relevant principles of migration law with professional judgement; 4. Synthesise the principles enunciated by Tribunals and Courts; and 5. Debate complex ethical dilemmas balancing individual and public good and with respect for diversity.

**Class Contact:** Lecture 8.0 hrs Equivalent to 36 hours per semester normally to be delivered as a combination of lecture, seminar, tutorial or workshop, or a delivery mode as approved by the College of Law and Justice.

**Required Reading:** Kamand, Suhad (2013) 8th edition The Immigration Kit: A Practical Guide to Australia's Immigration Law Federation Press Springvale Legal Centre Chapter 14.1 Immigration Law Lawyers Practice Manual Victoria Thomson Reuters Crock, M and Berg, L (2011) Immigration, Refugees and Forced Migration - Law, Policy and Practice in Australia Federation Press Goddard, J, Germov R,

Papadopoulos, P (2014) Australian Immigration Law (online looseleaf service) LexisNexis Vrachnas, J, Bagaric, M, Dimopoulos, P, Pathinayake, A (2011) 3rd edition Migration and Refugee Law: Principles and Practice in Australia Cambridge University Press

**Assessment:** Assignment, Research assignment (interpret relevant provisions of the Migration Act and Regulations and apply relevant laws to various scenarios (3,500 words), 40%. Examination, Final Examination, 60%. The total assessment in this unit equates to 7,000 words.

### LML7005 Advanced Review Considerations in Migration Law

**Locations:** City Queen.

**Prerequisites:** LML5000 - Australian Migration Law BLO5606 - Australia's Visa System BLO5607 - Visa Compliance, Cancellation and Review LML5001 - Applied Migration Law

**Description:** This unit of study provides students with the opportunity to examine the practical aspects of merits and judicial review mechanisms in migration law. The unit will cover the administrative processes and jurisdiction of different tribunals (the Migration Review Tribunal, Refugee Review Tribunal and Administrative Appeals Tribunal) and their role in reviewing decisions made in respect of migration applications, the scope of the Minister's power to intervene in the decision making process, and other avenues of legal redress. The focus of the unit will then shift to exploring the process and practical issues of judicial review, including the Hickman principle and 'privative clause' legislation. This unit will equip students with the theoretical knowledge and practical skills to draft grounds for an application for judicial review through the use of case studies.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Interrogate the review mechanisms of migration law in Australia and apply to complex and wide ranging situations; 2. Appraise the impact of merits and judicial review on contemporary migration matters; 3. Communicate, appear before a review tribunal or court and prepare submissions in support of review applications of wide ranging complexity; 4. Implement legal analysis and evaluation skills gained through the examination and synthesis of relevant legislation, court decisions and rulings; and 5. Negotiate and mediate for authentic client cases applying theoretical knowledge and research skills.

**Class Contact:** Lecture 8.0 hrs Equivalent to 36 hours per semester normally to be delivered as a combination of lecture, seminar, tutorial or workshop, or a delivery mode as approved by the College of Law and Justice.

**Required Reading:** Kamand, Suhad (2013) 8th edition The Immigration Kit: A Practical Guide to Australia's Immigration Law Federation Press Springvale Legal Centre Chapter 14.1 Immigration Law Lawyers Practice Manual Victoria Thomson Reuters Goddard, J, Germov R, Papadopoulos, P (2014) Australian Immigration Law (online looseleaf service) LexisNexis

**Assessment:** Assignment, Assignment examining the review mechanisms and its impacts on a migration problem (2,000 words), 30%. Other, Mock File requiring students to (1) prepare a submission and (2) to appear before a review tribunal (equivalent to 4,500 words), 70%.

### LML7006 Practice Ready Program

**Locations:** Industry, City Queen.

**Prerequisites:** LML5000 - Australian Migration Law BLO5606 - Australia's Visa System BLO5607 - Visa Compliance, Cancellation and Review LML5001 - Applied Migration Law

**Description:** This unit of study is a practical, interactive course designed to equip students with the relevant practical skills and knowledge to practice as a migration

agent and to establish and operate a migration agency. The unit will cover topics such as ethics and professional practice, accounts management, business management, file management, interviewing, statutory interpretation, preparing applications and submissions, and advocating a case. Students will be provided opportunities to apply theoretical and practical knowledge to a practical simulated work environment and to observe professional practice within a migration agency context.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Exemplify ethical principles, intercultural understanding and the obligations associated with managing a migration practice in professional practice;
2. Adapt efficient client file management, accounts and business management principles when operating a migration agency, including implementing the compliance requirements imposed by the Code of Conduct;
3. Communicate clearly and effectively with clients, including ascertaining facts and information from clients and delivering advice to clients while respecting and valuing diversity and maintaining confidentiality;
4. Evaluate continuously the changing legislative and regulatory regime as it applies to the contemporary migration agent; and
5. Analyse and troubleshoot complex problems in relation to operating a migration agency.

**Class Contact:** Equivalent to 36 hours per semester normally to be delivered as a combination of lecture, seminar, tutorial or workshop, or a delivery mode as approved by the College of Law and Justice.

**Required Reading:** Kamand, Suhad (2013) 8th edition *The Immigration Kit: A Practical Guide to Australia's Immigration Law* Federation Press Goddard, J, Germov R, Papadopoulos, P (2014) *Australian Immigration Law* (online looseleaf service) LexisNexis Kyrou, E, Lewis, G and Dinelli, A (2004) 3rd edition *Lewis and Kyrou's Handy Hints on Legal Practice* Thomson Reuters Migration Institute of Australia (2013) 3rd edition *Practice Ready Manual Migration* Institute of Australia Migration Institute of Australia, FCG Legal Pty Ltd and Victoria University (2012) 5th edition *Australian Immigration Companion* Migration Institute of Australia

**Assessment:** Other, Mock Client Interview, 70%. Assignment, interpret relevant provisions of the Migration Act and Regulations and other relevant legislation and apply relevant laws to various scenarios, 30%. The total assessment in this unit equates to 1,750 words.

## LML7007 Refugee Law

**Locations:** City Queen.

**Prerequisites:** LML5000 - Australian Migration Law BLO5606 - Australia's Visa System

**Description:** This unit of study provides students with a theoretical understanding of refugee law and its practical application in Australia and in the international context. The unit will examine the international legal regime for the protection of involuntary migrants, the UN Refugee Convention's definition of refugee, Australia's visa system and application procedures relating to onshore and offshore refugees, the operation of the Refugee Tribunals, judicial review and judicial interpretation. Merits and judicial review principles in relation to protection visa applications will also be considered.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Interrogate the international and domestic development of refugee law and critically review the impact of judicial review on contemporary refugee and humanitarian visa applications;
2. Cross examine and apply case law and research to support specific protection visa applications, including communicating submissions in for protection visas in the context of primary and merits review applications;
3. Critically analyse, evaluate and synthesise relevant legislation, court decisions and rulings by the Refugee Review Tribunal and courts and apply to authentic complex

- cases and new situations and for further learning;
4. Critically evaluate the constantly evolving and changing refugee law in the context of contemporary Australian society and the migration agent's or migration lawyer's responsibilities within this area;
5. Adapt the United Nations Convention and Protocol relating to the status of refugees and initiate new ideas related to judicial review of applications; and
6. Interpret and discourse complex global refugee issues and the law with peers and professionals.

**Class Contact:** Equivalent to 36 hours per semester normally to be delivered as a combination of lecture, seminar, tutorial or workshop, or a delivery mode as approved by the College of Law and Justice.

**Required Reading:** Hathaway, J and Foster, M (2014) 2nd edition *The Law of Refugee Status* Cambridge University Press Hathaway, J (2005) *The Rights of Refugees under International Law* Cambridge University Press United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (1992) *Handbook on Procedures and Criteria for Determining Refugee Status under the 1951 Convention and the 1967 Protocol relating to the Status of Refugees* UNHCR

**Assessment:** Assignment, Research Assignment (3,500 words), 40%. Examination, Final Examination, 60%. The total assessment in this unit is equivalent to 7,000 words.

## LML7010 Global Trends in International Migration

**Locations:** City Queen.

**Prerequisites:** LML5000 - Australian Migration Law LML5001 - Applied Migration Law

**Description:** International migration is a large and growing phenomenon that is growing in scope, complexity and impact. Understanding the complex dynamics behind international migration is essential to improving the legislative framework and policies to address the multiple causes and consequences of these movements of people. This unit of study explores the domestic and international legal regimes regarding migration, examining laws, major legal cases and regulatory frameworks.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:** On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Conceptually map the contemporary international legal frameworks that set out the rights of migrants and the responsibilities of governments and Australia's responsibilities within these;
2. Critically evaluate contemporary international migration issues and debate innovative recommendations exemplifying professional responsibility in balancing the good of global communities;
3. Advocate the positive and negative impacts of international migration on source, transit, and destination countries to professional and non-professional audiences;
4. Interpret legislative provisions and analyse complex migration problems and propose creative, ethical, culturally sensitive resolutions;
5. Interrogate wide ranging and authentic cases and apply the relevant principles of migration law in resolving these; and
6. Critically review theoretical knowledge, emerging trends and evolving situations in professional practice and abstract knowledge with creativity and initiative to facilitate further learning.

**Class Contact:** This class will be taught predominantly by online delivery modes. Students will be expected to engage in independent learning and to pace their learning to keep on track during the semester.

**Required Reading:** Students will be provided with a collection of required readings.

**Assessment:** Case Study, Case Studies requiring students to assess the impacts of international migration, 30%. Research Paper, Research Issues Paper (4,500 words), 70%. The total assessment in this unit equates to 7,000 words.

## LML7901 Minor Research Thesis

**Locations:** City Queen.

**Prerequisites:**BLB5513 - Advanced Legal Research and WritingLLW7900 - Research Methods for Law Thesis

**Description:**This unit allows a student to critically interrogate a research question or problem in an area of law relevant to their chosen course of study. The unit provides students the opportunity to apply and modify investigative, analytical and critical skills gained and developed through coursework units and BLB5513 Advanced Legal Research and Writing, to the critical analysis of a legal issue through a substantial written dissertation. Established theories to different bodies of knowledge or practice will be critiqued in the context of a scoped investigation and recommended solutions will be contextualised to a specified community/organisation in an ethical and socially responsible manner. In this unit, students are required to create a minor thesis (15,000 words) on an approved topic related to their law studies. In addition to their thesis, students will make an oral presentation on their research work.

**Credit Points:** 24

**Learning Outcomes:**On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Identify and scope a research problem and design and implement a research plan to investigate the issue through analysis, critical review and interpretation of relevant data;
2. Apply evaluative and critically reflective research techniques and professional judgement to conduct competent, defensible, ethical and socially responsible research;
3. Conceptually map the intersection between theory and practice with intellectual independence;
4. Extrapolate and interpret legal research implications, knowledge and skills to provide solutions to complex legal problems related to local and global communities; and
5. Compose a scholarly minor thesis presenting a clear and coherent exposition of knowledge and ideas to a variety of specialist and non-specialist audiences.

**Class Contact:**Independent research in addition to regular meetings with the supervisor.

**Required Reading:**Melbourne University Law Review (2010) 3rd edition Australian Guide to Legal Citation Melbourne University Law Review Association Inc Margaret McKerchar 2010 Design and Conduct of Research in Tax, Law and Accounting Thomson Reuters

**Assessment:**Thesis, Written minor thesis (15,000 words), 100%.

## LML7902 Capstone Research Project

**Locations:**Industry, City Queen.

**Prerequisites:**BLB5513 - Advanced Legal Research and Writing

**Description:**In this unit, students carry out a work-related research project under the guidance and supervision of an appropriate academic staff. Students will explore complex problems, analyse results, and interpret evidence with regard to different bodies of knowledge and practice and advocate recommendations. The unit also requires students to communicate these propositions to specialist and non-specialist audiences both orally and in writing in a scholarly manner as a professional, balancing individual and public good.

**Credit Points:** 12

**Learning Outcomes:**On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

1. Apply theoretical knowledge, technical and creative skills to systematically investigate, analyse and synthesise complex information with a high level of personal autonomy and independence;
2. Initiate, plan and manage a significant workplace-related project, including managing multiple stakeholders;
3. Analyse and interpret evidence with regard to different bodies of knowledge and practice with creativity and initiative; and
4. Communicate these theoretical propositions to specialist and non-specialist audiences both orally and in writing in a scholarly manner as a professional.

**Class Contact:**Independent research in addition to regular meetings with the

supervisor.

**Required Reading:**Students will be required to review literature relevant to their chosen research project.

**Assessment:**Other, Project Plan (1,000 words), 10%. Literature Review, Review of Literature relevant to the research project (2,000 words), 15%. Report, Research Report on project and outcomes (5,000 words), 75%. The total assessment in this unit is equivalent to 8,000 words.

## ZCC5001 Private International Law/Conflict of Laws

**Locations:**City Queen.

**Prerequisites:**Students must be engaged in practice as a Notary or be seeking an appointment as a Public Notary in Victoria or in another jurisdiction.

**Description:**This unit of study aims to understand how and when Courts will make use of foreign laws to resolve legal disputes in which such law is raised. The unit of study covers the structure of Conflict of Laws, domicile and residence, jurisdiction of courts at Common Law, staying of actions and declining jurisdiction at Common Law, recognition and enforcement of foreign judgements at Common Law, obligations - contracts and torts, property - immovables and movables, husband and wife, the law of succession and concluding theoretical issues.

**Credit Points:** 24

**Class Contact:**Unit study equal to 24 credit points.

**Required Reading:**To be advised by lecturer.

**Assessment:**Students will work at their own pace through the module, with assistance from the unit of study guide, and submit assignments.

## ZCC5002 Notarial Practice - Theory

**Locations:**City Queen.

**Prerequisites:**Students must be engaged in practice as a Notary or be seeking an appointment as a Public Notary in Victoria or in another jurisdiction.

**Description:**This unit of study aims to provide an in-depth knowledge of the work of a Notary including notarial acts, Bill of Exchange and other professional functions. This unit of study comprises a theoretical and practical overview of Notarial practice to equip students with the professional and technical skills to practice as a Notary.

**Credit Points:** 24

**Class Contact:**Unit of study equal to 24 credit points.

**Required Reading:**To be advised by lecturer.

**Assessment:**Students will work at their own pace through the module, with assistance from the unit of study guide, and submit assignments.

## ZCC5003 Comparative Law

**Locations:**City Queen.

**Prerequisites:**Students must be engaged in practice as a Notary or be seeking an appointment as a Public Notary in Victoria or in another jurisdiction.

**Description:**This unit of study aims to gain overview of the world's legal systems that will assist Public practising in countries in the Asia-Pacific Region, especially those with culturally diverse domestic populations maintaining connections to homelands, concentrating on the role of the Notary in civil law transactions such as the formation of contracts, the assignment of property and other transactions requiring notarial completion.

**Credit Points:** 24

**Class Contact:**Unit of study if equal to 24 credit points.

**Required Reading:**To be advised by lecturer.

**Assessment:**Students will work at their own pace through the module, with assistance from the unit of study guide, and submit assignments.

## **ZCC5004 Notarial Practice - Practical**

**Locations:**City Queen.

**Prerequisites:**Students must be engaged in practice as a Notary or be seeking an appointment as a Public Notary in Victoria or in another jurisdiction.

**Description:**This unit of study comprises a theoretical and practical overview of Notarial practice to equip students with the professional and technical skills to practise as a Notary. Areas covered include the structure and authority of the profession, characteristics and use of the notarial act including Bills of Exchange and Shipping Protests, and conduct and discipline of the profession including use of interpreters and translations and cultural awareness in dealing with clients from culturally diverse backgrounds.

**Credit Points:** 24

**Class Contact:**Unit of study is equal to 24 credit points.

**Assessment:**Students will work at their own pace through the module, with assistance from the unit of study guide, and submit assignments.

