JUST 3009 INFORMATION SYSTEMS ETHICS AND LAW

Credit Points 10

Legacy Code CP308A

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Description This unit aims to provide students with an appreciation of the ethical and legal issues surrounding the use of information systems, particularly the internet. It examines the regulatory framework to facilitate an understanding of the legal boundaries within which e-commerce may operate. Matters including the abuse of computers, the privacy of computerised data and electronic communications are critically analysed to reveal a variety of issues which are legally significant.

School Law

Discipline Legal Studies

Student Contribution Band HECS Band 4 10cp

Check your HECS Band contribution amount via the Fees (https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/currentstudents/current_students/fees/) page.

Level Undergraduate Level 3 subject

Restrictions Students enrolled in program 2502 - Bachelor of Laws (Non graduate entry) must obtain permission to enrol in this subject.

Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this subject, students should be able to:
1. Describe the manner in which the internet and e-commerce has developed and is legally regulated.
2. Explain the main legal principles and concepts and associated terminology that impact on the internet and e-commerce.
3. Describe the contemporary limits of, and challenges to, regulation of the internet.
4. Discuss the legal and ethical responsibilities of information systems professionals
5. Apply their understanding of legal concepts to analysing and solving practical problems.

Subject Content

Basics of legal system and conceptual framework of subject.
Jurisdictional questions.
Internet Crime.
E-Contracts.
Copyright.
Patents.
Content Regulation
Domain Names and Trade Marks.
Authentication and Electronic Signatures
E-Taxation
Privacy
Intermediary Liability.

Teaching Periods