

# LAWS 3001 ADVANCED FAMILY LAW

**Credit Points** 10

**Legacy Code** 200629

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**Description** This unit provides a practical framework around complex family law matters and builds upon the skills obtained in 200633 Family Law. This unit provides the students with the opportunity to obtain practical skills in taking instructions from clients, drafting orders, making urgent applications, children's matters including complex family dynamics, child dispute services, Family Reports, Magellan matters, drafting documents, Relocation Cases, Hague Convention Cases and Contravention Proceedings, Property Matters including assets and values, financial disclosure, conciliation conferences, contributions, expert evidence, spousal maintenance and enforcement proceedings, as well child support and running undefended hearings.

**School Law**

**Discipline** Family Law

**Student Contribution Band** HECS Band 4 10cp

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**Level** Undergraduate Level 3 subject

**Pre-requisite(s)** LAWS 3023

**Equivalent Subjects** LGYB 8510 - Advanced Family Law

## Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this subject, students should be able to:

1. Obtain client instructions and prepare documents to commence and run proceedings in relation to both property and children's matters.
2. Draft appropriate Family Law Orders.
3. Prepare the client and their case for expert evidence and final hearings.
4. Provide both written and oral submissions in relation to complex family law issues.
5. Prepare and run a Hearing demonstrating competent advocacy skills.

## Subject Content

1. Interviewing Clients - Obtaining Client Instructions
2. Drafting Family Law Orders and Court Documents
3. Drafting and Running Urgent Applications
4. Providing Advice to Clients Regarding Complex Family Law Children's Matters
5. Magellan Matters
6. Family Reports
7. Relocation Cases
8. Hague Convention Cases
9. Contravention
10. Pre-Action Procedures (Property)
11. Contributions - s79 and s75(2)
12. Conciliation Conferences

13. Asset Values and Expert Evidence
14. Enforcement Proceedings
15. Child Support
16. Undefended Hearings

## Assessment

The following table summarises the standard assessment tasks for this subject. Please note this is a guide only. Assessment tasks are regularly updated, where there is a difference your Learning Guide takes precedence.

Item	Length	Percent	Threshold	Individual/Group Task
Children - Single Fact Scenario	(1) Case Outline (s 60CC Considerations - Children) - 1,000 words (15 marks); and (2) Prepare Notice of Risk (15 marks).	30	N	Individual
Property - Single Fact Scenario	(1) Written Submissions (s79 and 75(2) Factors (Property) - 1,000 words (15 marks); (2) Prepare Draft Balance Sheet (format length) (15 marks).	30	N	Individual
Undefended Hearing	(1) Written submissions - 1,000 words; (2) Oral Submissions regarding Undefended Hearing - 15 minutes.	40	N	Individual

**Prescribed Texts**

- *Australian Master Family Law Guide* (CCH, 11th ed, 2021) (ISBN 9781922347411)

**Teaching Periods**

## Spring Campbelltown

### Evening

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## **Parramatta - Victoria Rd**

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