

# LAWS 3060 PROTECTING IDEAS

**Credit Points** 10

**Legacy Code** 200931

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**Description** This unit provides an introduction and overview of the legal principles of intellectual property law, and traces the development of this law in Australia. It is designed as an introductory survey subject. The modules consider the different forms of intellectual property including copyright (including moral rights and performers protection), designs, patents, plant breeders rights, trade mark law, passing-off and related actions, domain name law, confidentiality, and circuit layouts.

**School** Law

**Discipline** Law

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

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**Level** Undergraduate Level 3 subject

**Pre-requisite(s)** LAWS 1001 OR LAWS 1004

**Incompatible Subjects** LAWS 3032 - Intellectual Property

## Learning Outcomes

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

1. Demonstrate knowledge of the principles of intellectual property law.
2. Analyse and interpret the relevant legal principles relating to the subject-matter of this unit.
3. Critically evaluate the implications and effectiveness of the principles of intellectual property law.
4. Demonstrate skills in legal research, and written and oral communication skills appropriate to the subject-matter of this unit.

## Subject Content

Copyright  
 Patents  
 Trade Marks  
 Passing Off and related actions  
 Domain Names  
 Designs  
 Plant Breeder's Rights  
 Circuit Layouts  
 Confidential Information

## 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
Online Quiz	60 minutes	20	N	Individual
Oral Presentation	5 minutes	30	N	Individual
Essay	2,000 words	50	N	Individual

Prescribed Texts

- To be Advised

Teaching Periods