# LAWS 7052 ELDER LAW INDUSTRY PLACEMENT

**Credit Points** 10

Legacy Code 201067

**Coordinator** Elen Seymour (https://directory.westernsydney.edu.au/search/name/Elen Seymour/)

Description This unit builds on the knowledge base of Elder Law (Juris Doctor) to provide work experience for Juris Doctor Law students. Our industry partners provide the opportunities for students to apply their knowledge and skill to work in various practice areas, with an emphasis on Elder Law related issues. This unit is designed to allow students to gain valuable experience in ethical and professional responsibility, in a workplace, while undertaking academic assessment. Students will also improve their legal and research skills which will assist them in the transition from university to the workplace. The placement will consist of a full time ten- day placement at selected industry workplaces with supervision by experienced legal practitioners. The unit will provide students with real-life work experiences in the legal issues associated with the practice of elder law and with an appreciation of the professional responsibilities essential for a 21st Century legal practitioner.

School Law

Discipline Law, Not Elsewhere Classified.

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 Postgraduate Coursework Level 7 subject

Pre-requisite(s) LAWS 7051

Restrictions

Students must be enrolled in 2826 Juris Doctor

## **Learning Outcomes**

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

- 1. Evaluate the operation of Elder Law in practical contexts;
- Propose solutions to Elder Law related client problems and issues in practical contexts;
- Perform legal writing tasks within a practical legal and Elder Law context:
- Critically reflect on professional development experiences and needs for ongoing development.

## **Subject Content**

- Elder Law in practical contexts
- Elder Law related client problems, Issues and solutions
- practical legal writing tasks in The Elder Law Operational context
- Researching practical Issues and solutions
- professional development: reflection on experiences and needs Students will undertake a ten-day placement in an Elder Law industry practice during which students will be engaged in the evaluation and production of Elder Law legal service tasks that may include the preparation of an application to the Guardianship Division of the New South Wales Civil and Administrative Tribunal (NCAT) for a financial

management order, guardianship orders or reviews of powers of attorney within a practical legal and Elder Law context.

#### 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
Report	500 words	10	N	Individual
Professional Placement Performance	10 days	50	Υ	Individual
Proposal	500 words	10	N	Individual
Report	2000 words	30	N	Individual

#### **Prescribed Texts**

 Field, Sue, K. Williams and C. Sappideen, Elder Law: A Guide to Working with older Australians, The Federation Press, Sydney, 2018.

**Teaching Periods**