

LAWS 7027 LEGAL PHILOSOPHY AND METHODOLOGY

Credit Points 10

Legacy Code 200901

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Description This subject introduces the idea that law is value laden and has a symbiotic relationship with the philosophical, social, political, and economic fabric of society. This subject equips postgraduate students with a solid understanding of theoretical and methodological approaches to studying law and encompasses essential aspects of the legal research process including accessing relevant sources, defining a research question, selecting appropriate research methodologies, and presenting a research project.

School Law

Discipline Law

Student Contribution Band HECS Band 4 10cp

Level Postgraduate Coursework Level 7 subject

Restrictions

Students must be enrolled in a postgraduate program.

Learning Outcomes

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

1. Critically analyse legal theories and apply those to issues in international governance.
2. Evaluate complex issues in international governance.
3. Plan and undertake a research project on international governance.
4. Present research outcomes using highly developed written and oral communication skills.

Subject Content

1. Legal methodologies
2. International governance and legal philosophies, including theories of Law and Justice
3. Legal research

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.

Type	Length	Percent	Threshold	Individual/Group Task
Participation	ongoing in seminars	10	N	Individual
Literature Review	2,500 words	45	N	Individual
Proposal	2,000 words	45	N	Individual

Prescribed Texts

- Hutchison, Terry, *Researching and Writing in Law* (Thomson Reuters, 4th ed, 2018).

Teaching Periods

Autumn (2022)

Parramatta - Victoria Rd

Day

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