

LAWS 2003 CONTRACTS

Credit Points 10

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Description Contracts covers the formation of contracts, the requirement of writing, privity of contract, contractual terms and their interpretation, breach of contract, discharge of contractual obligations and elements vitiating its formation such as misrepresentation, misleading and deceptive conduct, mistake, undue influence, unconscionability, duress and discharge. Statutory developments are also considered such as the Contracts Review Act 1980 (NSW) and the Australian Consumer Law, as are the historic and theoretical aspects of the development of the law of contract.

School Law

Discipline Law, Not Elsewhere Classified.

Student Contribution Band HECS Band 4 10cp

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Level Undergraduate Level 2 subject

Co-requisite(s) LAWS 1006 OR LAWS 1003

Learning Outcomes

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

1. Apply contract law concepts and principles to answer legal problems.
2. Critically analyse the main theoretical perspectives and assumptions underpinning contract law.
3. Reflect upon the role and significance of contracts from diverse perspectives including race, gender and disability.
4. Apply communication and collaboration strategies to work effectively with others.
5. Develop logical, reasoned, and persuasive arguments in oral and written formats using a range of primary and secondary sources.

Subject Content

1. Theories of Contract.
2. Formation of Contracts.
3. Formalities.
4. Capacity.
5. Privity of Contract.
6. Contractual Terms.
7. Breach of Contract.
8. Vitiating Elements.
9. Statutory developments.
10. Discharge of contract.
11. Exploring contractual issues in Indigenous contexts.

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	Mandatory
Participation	Ongoing	10	N	Individual	Y
Professional Task	2,500 words	45	N	Individual	Y
Final Exam	2 hours	45	N	Individual	Y

Prescribed Texts

- Andrew Robertson and Jeannie Paterson, Contract: Cases and Materials (Thomson Reuters, 2025, 15th edn)
- Andrew Robertson and Jeannie Paterson, Principles of Contract Law (Thomson Reuters, 2025, 7th edn)

Teaching Periods

Autumn (2025)

Campbelltown

On-site

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