

# LAWS 7033 SECURITY OF IDEAS

**Credit Points** 10

**Legacy Code** 200980

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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. 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, circuit layouts, the historical development of intellectual property, and the international intellectual property framework (including World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) and World Trade Organization (WTO)).

**School** Law

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

**Level** Postgraduate Coursework Level 7 subject

**Pre-requisite(s)** Students enrolled in 27842810 Master of Laws (International Governance) must have successfully completed the prerequisite unit LAWS 7027 Legal Philosophy and Methodology

**Co-requisite(s)** Students enrolled in 3748 Master of Information Governance must be enrolled in or have successfully completed the corequisite unit LAWS 7009 Commercial Law

## Restrictions

Students must be enrolled in 2824 Master of Laws, 2784 or 2810 Master of Laws (International Governance), 3748 Master of Information Governance, Bachelor of Research Studies or Master of Research.

## Learning Outcomes

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

1. Demonstrate comprehensive knowledge and understanding 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 advanced 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
Quiz - Online	60 minutes	20	N	Individual
Presentation - Oral	10 minutes	30	N	Individual
Essay - Research Essay	3000 words	50	N	Individual

Prescribed Texts

- Rocque Reynolds et al, Intellectual Property: Text and Essential Cases (Federation Press, 5th ed, 2015).

Teaching Periods