

730-882 Internat.Issues in Intellectual Property

Credit Points:	12.500
Level:	Graduate/Postgraduate
Dates & Locations:	2008, This subject commences in the following study period/s: Semester 1, - Taught on campus.
Time Commitment:	Contact Hours: 24 - 26 contact hours per subject. Total Time Commitment: The time commitment for this subject depends on the candidate's background and experience.
Prerequisites:	N.A.
Corequisites:	N.A.
Recommended Background Knowledge:	None
Non Allowed Subjects:	None
Core Participation Requirements:	N.A.
Coordinator:	Professor Sam Ricketson
Subject Overview:	<p>Objectives:</p> <p>A candidate who has successfully completed the subject should:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # Understand the institutional architecture for the formulation and implementation of intellectual property policy internationally and, to a lesser extent, regionally # Understand the main treaties establishing international intellectual property norms and the dispute settlement machinery for international intellectual property disputes, both private and public # Understand the developments and issues that are at the centre of current discussions and negotiations for the further development or modification of the international intellectual property system. <p>Syllabus:</p> <p>The subject will consist of a survey of the economic, legal and political elements and forces that shape the international intellectual property system.</p> <p>Principal topics will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # Introduction to the international intellectual property system (the main producers and owners of intellectual property, the institutional architecture, the treaty system) # Instruments and strategies for obtaining protection internationally (the PCT, Madrid System, Hague System and regional systems) # The protection of names, marks and other identifiers, and content with particular reference to the internet # Dispute settlement and private international law issues # Biotechnology, access to genetic resources and traditional knowledge.
Assessment:	Take-home examination (100%) (25-30 June) or Problem exercise (40%) (30 June) and Research paper 6,000 words (60%) (4 August) (topic approved by the subject coordinator)
Prescribed Texts:	Core subject materials will be provided free of charge to all students. Some subjects require further texts to be purchased. Please visit the subject homepage on the Melbourne Law Masters website by following the link at the bottom of this subject entry.
Breadth Options:	This subject is not available as a breadth subject.
Fees Information:	Subject EFTSL, Level, Discipline & Census Date, http://enrolment.unimelb.edu.au/fees

Generic Skills:	Please see the Subject Objectives for this information.
Links to further information:	For the latest information on this subject, please visit: http://www.masters.law.unimelb.edu.au/subject/730882