

730-772 Public Health Law in Australia & Pacific

Credit Points:	12.500
Level:	Graduate/Postgraduate
Dates & Locations:	2008, This subject commences in the following study period/s: Semester 2, - 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:	Ms Genevieve Howse
Subject Overview:	<p>Objectives:</p> <p>A candidate who has successfully completed the subject should:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # Understand the history of public health law over the past century # Understand some of the different theories and philosophies that have underpinned approaches to public health law # Understand the use of law as a mechanism to protect population health and ways in which it can be applied # Understand the implications of the Federal system for lawmaking in public health # Understand how public health law is approached in jurisdictions in Australia, New Zealand and the Pacific # Have studied and participated in discussions on several recent case studies in public health law that illustrate some of the broader themes of the subject # Understand the tensions between promotion of public good and protection of private rights # Understand current trends in public health lawmaking both in Australia and internationally. <p>Syllabus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # History of public health law in Australia # How public health policy and legislation are developed # Obesity; what can the law do? # Indigenous Australians and public health law # Introduction to drugs and therapeutic goods regulation in Australia # Developing policy and legislation for medicines, poisons, therapeutic goods and pharmacy in Fiji # Pharmaceutical promotion, fair comment and the law in Australia # Coercive powers, human rights and the AIDS pandemic # Laws to manage HIV in Papua New Guinea, Fiji and Australia, and issues arising in legislation policy in developed and developing countries # Expert interactive panel on a case study involving HIV laws in Australia # The Federal system and its effect on lawmaking in public health # Emergency powers: State by State (and Territory) comparison and options for a national legislative approach # International treaties and public health law: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # The international health regulations

	# Framework convention on tobacco.
Assessment:	Take-home examination (50%) (3-6 October) Research paper 5,000 words (50%) (6 November) (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.
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