

730-866 Commercial Law in Asia

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:	Dr Sarah Biddulph, Mr Andrew Godwin
Subject Overview:	<p>Objectives:</p> <p>A candidate who has successfully completed the subject should:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # Understand fundamental aspects of the practice of commercial law from the perspective of a joint venture foreign investment transaction # Understand the interaction between policy, legal systems and commercial laws in North and East Asia # Have an insight into practical commercial dispute resolution and contract management # Understand how international agreements, including WTO, influence trade # Understand the structure and operation of selected legal systems in North and East Asia # Understand the utility and limitations of comparative analysis of laws # Be able to respond effectively to practical case studies relating to business and investment in Asia. <p>Syllabus:</p> <p>The commercial systems of North and East Asia are diverse and, in practice, often very different to those of the developed Western states of Western Europe, North America and Australasia. This subject analyses case studies drawn from commercial practice in different North and East Asian jurisdictions.</p> <p>Principal topics will be selected from the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # Social context of Asian laws: Introduction to subject case study # Foreign investment # Banking law: Regulatory issues # Land law, resources and environment # Companies and corporate governance # Debt recovery # Taxation # Labour law # Dispute resolution # Commercial litigation # Intellectual property # WTO and international trade regulation

	# Practitioners experiences in North and East Asia.
Assessment:	Take-home examination (100%) (14-17 November) or Research paper 10,000 words (100%) (17 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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