

# LAWS70176 Construction Contracts

<b>Credit Points:</b>	12.50
<b>Level:</b>	7 (Graduate/Postgraduate)
<b>Dates &amp; Locations:</b>	2010, Parkville This subject commences in the following study period/s: May, Parkville - Taught on campus. September, Parkville - Taught on campus.
<b>Time Commitment:</b>	Contact Hours: The total class time is between 24 and 26 hours. Total Time Commitment: Visit the Melbourne Law Masters website for more information about this subject.
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Visit the Melbourne Law Masters website for more information about this subject.
<b>Corequisites:</b>	Visit the Melbourne Law Masters website for more information about this subject.
<b>Recommended Background Knowledge:</b>	Visit the Melbourne Law Masters website for more information about this subject.
<b>Non Allowed Subjects:</b>	Visit the Melbourne Law Masters website for more information about this subject.
<b>Core Participation Requirements:</b>	Visit the Melbourne Law Masters website for more information about this subject.
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<b>Subject Overview:</b>	An introduction to construction contracts, including standard forms and terms, with reference to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># Roles, relationships and obligations of the parties to construction contracts and consultancy agreements</li> <li># Risk allocation and management in construction contracts: Procurement, contract choices and insurance considerations</li> <li># Tendering and contract formation</li> <li># The use of standard-form contracts and sub-contracts and conditions of engagement</li> <li># Performance, completion, suspension and determination</li> <li># Consultancy agreements and design responsibility</li> <li># Sub-contracts, assignment, nomination and novation</li> <li># Alternative and innovative forms of contracting</li> <li># Security for performance</li> <li># Case analysis.</li> </ul>
<b>Objectives:</b>	A student who has successfully completed this subject should: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># Understand the roles and relationships of parties involved in construction projects</li> <li># Understand tendering and contract formation</li> <li># Be able to properly assess and negotiate risk allocation in construction contracts</li> <li># Be familiar with the use of standard-form contracts, sub-contracts and conditions of engagement for consultants</li> <li># Be aware of, and able to evaluate, the appropriateness of different forms of construction contracts, including alternative and innovative contractual arrangements</li> <li># Have an appreciation of the key principles of construction law</li> <li># Have an enhanced ability to provide constructive legal advice to parties engaging in construction projects</li> <li># Gain an enhanced ability to analyse judgments and provide constructive legal advice.</li> </ul>
<b>Assessment:</b>	Take-home examination (100%) Semester 1: 18-21 June Semester 2: 19-22 November or 10,000 word research paper (100%) on a topic approved by the subject coordinator Semester 1: 5 August Semester 2: 13 January 2011

<b>Prescribed Texts:</b>	Visit the subject website for more information
<b>Breadth Options:</b>	This subject is not available as a breadth subject.
<b>Fees Information:</b>	Subject EFTSL, Level, Discipline & Census Date, <a href="http://enrolment.unimelb.edu.au/fees">http://enrolment.unimelb.edu.au/fees</a>
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