

## LAWS70256 Fundamentals of the Common Law - Int

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| <b>Credit Points:</b>                    | 12.50   |
| <b>Level:</b>                            | 7 (Graduate/Postgraduate)   |
| <b>Dates &amp; Locations:</b>            | 2010, Parkville<br>This subject commences in the following study period/s:<br>March, Parkville - Taught on campus.<br>July, Parkville - Taught on campus.   |
| <b>Time Commitment:</b>                  | Contact Hours: The total class time is between 24 and 26 hours. Total Time Commitment: Not available  |
| <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.  |
| <b>Coordinator:</b>                      | Dr Sonia Allan, Prof Michael Tilbury  |
| <b>Contact:</b>                          | For the most up-to-date information about this subject, contact the Melbourne Law Masters Office by email at law-masters@unimelb.edu.au or phone 8344 6190 or alternatively visit the subject website: www.masters.law.unimelb.edu.au   |
| <b>Subject Overview:</b>                 | This subject provides an examination of the history, principal legal concepts and institutions of the common law. Topics will be chosen with a view to providing a basis of knowledge and understanding for areas of law covered elsewhere in the Melbourne Law Masters, and principal topics will include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># Evolution of the common law, the division between law and equity, theories of law, basic concepts, values and assumptions</li> <li># Sources of law in common law systems</li> <li># Institutions and procedures of the common law</li> <li># Substantive principles of the common law</li> <li># The interpretation of statutes.</li> </ul> |
| <b>Objectives:</b>                       | A student who has successfully completed this subject should: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># Have a sound general understanding of the history, principles, legal concepts and institutions of the common law</li> <li># Understand the principal points of similarity and difference between common law and civil law systems</li> <li># Be aware of the tendencies of the main legal systems to borrow from each other and understand the principal reasons for this</li> <li># Have developed skills in legal analysis, research and writing.</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Assessment:</b>                       | Research assignment (100%)For the most up-to-date information about due dates, students are required to check the subject page on the Melbourne Law Masters website.  |
| <b>Prescribed Texts:</b>                 | For the most up-to-date information about this subject, contact the Melbourne Law Masters Office by email at law-masters@unimelb.edu.au or phone 8344 6190 or alternatively visit the subject website: www.masters.law.unimelb.edu.au   |
| <b>Breadth Options:</b>                  | This subject is not available as a breadth subject.   |

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| <b>Generic Skills:</b>               | For the most up-to-date information about this subject, contact the Melbourne Law Masters Office by email at <a href="mailto:law-masters@unimelb.edu.au">law-masters@unimelb.edu.au</a> or phone 8344 6190 or alternatively visit the subject website: <a href="http://www.masters.law.unimelb.edu.au">www.masters.law.unimelb.edu.au</a> |
| <b>Links to further information:</b> | <a href="http://www.masters.law.unimelb.edu.au">http://www.masters.law.unimelb.edu.au</a>   |