

178AA Graduate Diploma in Government Law

Year and Campus:	2016 - Parkville
CRICOS Code:	075330F
Fees Information:	Subject EFTSL, Level, Discipline & Census Date, http://enrolment.unimelb.edu.au/fees
Level:	Graduate/Postgraduate
Duration & Credit Points:	50 credit points taken over 6 months full time. This course is available as full or part time.
Coordinator:	Laureate Professor Emeritus Cheryl Saunders AO
Contact:	<p>Melbourne Law School</p> <p>Currently enrolled students:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # General information (http://www.law.unimelb.edu.au/masters/current-students) # law-masters@unimelb.edu.au (mailto:law-masters@unimelb.edu.au) <p>Future students:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # Melbourne Law School (http://www.law.unimelb.edu.au/) # Course enquiry (http://www.law.unimelb.edu.au/masters/courses-and-subjects/course-details/cid/1158)
Course Overview:	<p>Government operates within a framework of law and practice, consistently with the rule of law. This framework includes constitutional law and administrative law but extends well beyond both to a host of particular legal regimes that apply to government actors.</p> <p>This is a dynamic branch of law, constantly changing in response to new pressures and government responses. It lends itself to comparison between countries, enabling students to understand different ways of tackling similar problems and to draw lessons from them. In an age of globalisation, it has a large and growing interface with international law, requiring a grasp of both areas.</p> <p>The specialisation in government law reflects the changing nature and complexity of the field. The subjects offer students expertise in matters that lie at the cutting-edge of government law in Australia and elsewhere.</p>
Learning Outcomes:	<p>Graduates of the Graduate Diploma in Government Law will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # Have advanced knowledge within a systematic and coherent body of knowledge relating to the field of government law, including the acquisition and application of knowledge and skills in relation to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # the legal and institutional framework for Australian government in theory and practice # an analysis and resolution of the complex problems of government law # a range of alternative approaches to government law in other countries and systems and the methodology of comparative public law # the context within which government law operates and the sensitivities peculiar to it # Have advanced cognitive, technical and communication skills that enable them to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # analyse critically, evaluate and convey information and # generate ideas and solutions to complex problems from both theoretical and practical perspectives in the field of government law # Apply knowledge and skills to demonstrate autonomy, well-developed judgement, adaptability and responsibility as a practitioner or learner in the field of government law.
Course Structure & Available Subjects:	<p>Students must complete four subjects from the prescribed lists.</p> <p>Students without a law degree from a common law jurisdiction should also complete the two-day preliminary subject Australian Legal Process and Legal Institutions (http://www.law.unimelb.edu.au/masters/courses-and-subjects/subject-details/sid/11881) .</p>
Subject Options:	Government Law subjects

Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
LAWS70407 Australians Detained Abroad	Not offered 2016	12.5
LAWS70334 Bills of Rights	Not offered 2016	12.5
LAWS90011 Comparative Constitutional Law	March	12.5
LAWS90056 Comparative Federal Constitutional Law	August	12.5
LAWS90058 Comparative Human Rights Law	May	12.5
LAWS70016 Comparative Law	Not offered 2016	12.5
LAWS90013 Constitutional Rights and Freedoms	Not offered 2016	12.5
LAWS70269 Constitution Making	May	12.5
LAWS70201 Current Issues in Administrative Law	April	12.5
LAWS70447 Executive Power in Australia	October	12.5
LAWS70390 Freedom of Speech	July	12.5
LAWS70448 Global Constitutionalism	Not offered 2016	12.5
LAWS70424 Judicial Power in Australia	Not offered 2016	12.5
LAWS70367 Law of Democracy	Not offered 2016	12.5
LAWS90024 Law-making: Legislatures and Courts	Not offered 2016	12.5
LAWS70425 Money, Law and Politics	Not offered 2016	12.5
LAWS70460 Regulatory Policy and Practice	March	12.5
LAWS70037 Royal Commissions and Public Inquiries	November	12.5
LAWS70404 Statutes in the 21st Century	Semester 1	12.5
LAWS70463 The Judicialisation of Politics	Not offered 2016	12.5

Other subjects

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LAWS70222 Constitutional Law in Practice	Not offered 2016	12.5
LAWS70411 Constitutional Problems in Comparison	Not offered 2016	12.5
LAWS90041 Corruption in International Sport	July	12.5
LAWS70413 Criminal Law, Poverty and Justice	Not offered 2016	12.5
LAWS70337 Criminal Procedure and Human Rights	Not offered 2016	12.5
LAWS90018 Development, Labour and Human Rights	Not offered 2016	12.5
LAWS90019 Domestic Courts and International Law	Not offered 2016	12.5
LAWS70415 Drugs and the Death Penalty in Asia	March	12.5
LAWS70445 Economic Regulators	June	12.5
LAWS70417 Elements of Legislation	Not offered 2016	12.5

LAWS70141 Energy Regulation and the Law	March	12.5
LAWS70100 Environmental Law	August	12.5
LAWS70386 Environmental Rights	Not offered 2016	12.5
LAWS70446 Equality Law Internationally	July	12.5
LAWS70184 Free Speech, Contempt and the Media	Not offered 2016	12.5
LAWS70372 Freedom of Information	Not offered 2016	12.5
LAWS70388 Gambling Law	Not offered 2016	12.5
LAWS70422 Human Rights and Armed Conflict	June	12.5
LAWS70091 Human Rights and Terrorism	August	12.5
LAWS70391 Human Rights at Work	November	12.5
LAWS70360 Human Rights Beyond Borders	March	12.5
LAWS70196 Human Rights in Administrative Law	Not offered 2016	12.5
LAWS70186 Human Rights Litigation and Advocacy	Not offered 2016	12.5
LAWS70114 Human Rights of Groups	Not offered 2016	12.5
LAWS70454 Human Rights: From Morality to Law	Not offered 2016	12.5
LAWS70264 International Human Rights Law	March, August	12.5
LAWS70120 International Law and Children's Rights	October	12.5
LAWS90023 International Law and Politics	Not offered 2016	12.5
LAWS70365 International Migration Law	April	12.5
LAWS70366 International Refugee Law	September	12.5
LAWS70394 International Refugee Law:Refugee Rights	Not offered 2016	12.5
LAWS70379 Judicial Reasoning	November	12.5
LAWS70397 Latin American Constitutionalisms	Not offered 2016	12.5
LAWS70368 Law of Intergovernmental Relations	Not offered 2016	12.5
LAWS90026 Managing Public and Native Title Lands	Not offered 2016	12.5
LAWS70349 Planning and Development Law	November	12.5
LAWS70313 Post-Conflict State-Building	October	12.5
LAWS70430 Poverty, Human Rights and Development	Not offered 2016	12.5
LAWS90028 Privacy and Regulation of Surveillance	Not offered 2016	12.5
LAWS70082 Privacy Law	April	12.5
LAWS70164 Racing Industry Law and Regulation	June	12.5
LAWS70433 Regional Integration: The Case of the EU	Not offered 2016	12.5
LAWS70401 Regulation of Health Practitioners	July	12.5
LAWS90049 Reimagining Human Rights Law	June	12.5

	LAWS70434 Rule of Law in Asia	Not offered 2016	12.5
	LAWS70462 Sports Integrity and Investigations	Not offered 2016	12.5
	LAWS70319 Tax Policy	Not offered 2016	12.5
	LAWS70439 The Tax Commissioner as Administrator	Not offered 2016	12.5
	LAWS70435 The United Nations Security Council	Not offered 2016	12.5
	LAWS70185 Water Law & Natural Resources Management	October	12.5
	LAWS70052 Written Advocacy	Not offered 2016	12.5
Entry Requirements:	<p># A degree in Law (LLB, JD or equivalent) at honours standard or equivalent leading to admission to legal practice; or # A degree in Law (LLB, JD or equivalent) leading to admission to legal practice and at least one year of documented, relevant professional experience; or # An undergraduate degree in a relevant discipline and at least one year of documented, relevant professional work experience.</p> <p>The Selection Committee may seek further information to clarify any aspect of an application in accordance with the Academic Board rules (http://about.unimelb.edu.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0007/1413727/Use-of-Selection-Instruments-Rules-of-the-Academic-Board-23-March-2015.pdf) on the use of selection instruments.</p>		
Core Participation Requirements:	<p>The Melbourne Law Masters welcomes applications from students with disabilities. The inherent academic requirements for study in the Melbourne Law Masters are: The ability to attend a minimum of 75% of classes and actively engage in the analysis and critique of complex materials and debate; The ability to read, analyse and comprehend complex written legal materials and complex interdisciplinary materials; The ability to clearly and independently communicate in writing a knowledge and application of legal principles and interdisciplinary materials and to critically evaluate these; The ability to clearly and independently communicate orally a knowledge and application of legal principles and interdisciplinary materials and critically evaluate these; The ability to work independently and as a part of a group; The ability to present orally and in writing legal analysis to a professional standard. Students who feel their disability will inhibit them from meeting these inherent academic requirements are encouraged to contact the Disability Liaison Unit: www.services.unimelb.edu.au/disability/</p>		
Graduate Attributes:	<p>Advanced understanding of the changing knowledge base in the relevant area of law The specialist focus of the Melbourne Law Masters, the constant review and renewal of subjects and courses, the range and expertise of instructors from Australia and around the world, and regular advice from our advisory boards combine to ensure that courses and subjects reflect emerging knowledge and ideas Ability to evaluate and synthesise existing knowledge in the area Small classes, a discussion-based environment and the emphasis on quality teaching and learning create an environment in which knowledge is exchanged, critically examined and adapted to current circumstances Well-developed problem solving abilities, characterised by flexibility of approach Most subjects approach knowledge by reference to various issues or problems. Students are encouraged to critically analyse problems and identify and develop a range of appropriate solutions through class discussion, individual study and assessment tasks. Advanced competencies in legal research and analysis Class preparation and class discussions are designed to enhance these skills, which are tested in all forms of assessment. Capacity to communicate, orally and in writing Classroom discussion and formal presentations provide an opportunity to hone oral communication skills, and written assessment tasks are graded in part on written communication skills. Appreciation of the design, conduct and reporting of original research Research papers and other research tasks are expected to attain a degree of originality and discovery that befits a quality postgraduate program, and students are encouraged and assisted to publish work of a high standard in refereed journals. Capacity to manage competing demands on time The demanding nature of graduate study requires effective time-management skills from all students. The rigour of our programs, whether undertaken part-time or full-time, ensures that all successful graduates have enhanced time-management skills. Profound respect for truth and intellectual integrity, including the ethics of scholarship Some subjects have a substantive ethical component. All instructors have a respect for intellectual integrity and are skilled scholars or practitioners in their own right. Appreciation of the way in which knowledge</p>		

	<p>provides a foundation for leadershipInstructors in the Melbourne Law Masters are leaders in their fields, and many subjects involve visiting academics, exposing students to a wider array of leaders in a range of legal fields. The Law School is committed to the significance of knowledge, which informs all regular programs and a wide range of additional activities. Capacity to value and participate in teamworkSmall class sizes and an intensive teaching format are valuable in encouraging group dynamics and teamwork. Understanding of the significance and value of knowledge to the wider communityLaw and legal knowledge are a community resource. In some subjects, this perspective is covered explicitly by the syllabus and the manner in which issues are treated in class. In addition, our diverse student body ensures that a range of perspectives on the way law impacts on the community are identified and analysed. Capacity to engage with issues in contemporary societyOur programs focus on the most up-to-date legal knowledge, analysing current issues and problems through the curriculum design, classroom discussion and assessment tasks. International students are also invited to participate in extracurricular activities to aid understanding of Australian law and legal institutions. Advanced working skills in the use of new technologyThe most advanced IT infrastructure is available to Melbourne Law Masters students in the Law Library, the Moot Court Room, classroom settings and for private study.</p>
Links to further information:	www.law.unimelb.edu.au/course/178AA/2016