

635AA Master of Law and Development

Year and Campus:	2016 - Parkville
CRICOS Code:	051271K
Fees Information:	Subject EFTSL, Level, Discipline & Census Date, http://enrolment.unimelb.edu.au/fees
Level:	Graduate/Postgraduate
Duration & Credit Points:	100 credit points taken over 12 months full time. This course is available as full or part time.
Coordinator:	Professor Sundhya Pahuja
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/1165)
Course Overview:	<p>Effective legal frameworks and institutions are pivotal in tackling inequality, alleviating poverty and creating a sustainable environment. Melbourne Law School's specialisation in law and development offers a choice of subjects examining the legalisation of development and the role of international and regional actors in law reform projects. Also offered is an investigation and analysis of both international law and the 'rule of law' in a developmental context. Subjects take a range of practical, historical, critical, applied and theoretical perspectives. This program is ideal for those working in international development from a government, non-government or not-for-profit background.</p>
Learning Outcomes:	<p>Graduates of the Master of Law and Development will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # Have an advanced and integrated understanding of the complex body of knowledge in the field of law and development, including in relation to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # the processes and actors involved in the legalisation of development # the history and range of rule of law or law reform projects initiated by international and regional institutions # the role of international economic institutions in proposing, designing and implementing law reform projects # development strategies enabled or foreclosed by attempts at law reform or legal institutional design # the success or failure of particular attempts at law reform or rule of law initiatives # theoretical approaches to understanding and critiquing law and development initiatives # Have expert, specialised cognitive and technical skills that equip them to independently: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # analyse, critically reflect on and synthesise complex information, concepts and theories in the field of law and development # research and apply such information, concepts and theories to the relevant body of knowledge and practice; and # interpret and transmit their knowledge, skills and ideas to specialist and non-specialist audiences # Apply their knowledge and skills to demonstrate autonomy, expert judgment, adaptability and responsibility as a practitioner and learner in the field of law and development.
Course Structure & Available Subjects:	<p>Students must complete eight subjects in total.</p> <p>Students who do not have a law degree from a common law jurisdiction must complete <i>Fundamentals of the Common Law</i>, as well as at least six subjects from the prescribed list (including the compulsory subject <i>International Law and Development</i>). Students may choose an eighth subject from those available in the Melbourne Law Masters.</p>

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Subject Options:

Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
LAWS70382 Business and Human Rights	May	12.5
LAWS90009 Chinese Law and Commerce	April	12.5
LAWS70293 Climate Change Law	May	12.5
LAWS70230 Commercial Law in Asia	Semester 2	12.5
LAWS70009 Comparative Corporate Tax	August	12.5
LAWS90057 Comparative Health Law	March	12.5
LAWS90058 Comparative Human Rights Law	May	12.5
LAWS70353 Comparative International Tax	March	12.5
LAWS70016 Comparative Law	August	12.5
LAWS70269 Constitution Making	May	12.5
LAWS70351 Contemporary Chinese Law and Practice	Not offered 2016	12.5
LAWS70111 Debt Capital Markets	March	12.5
LAWS70169 Developing Countries and the WTO	Not offered 2016	12.5
LAWS90042 Development, Environment and International Law	Not offered 2016	12.5
LAWS90018 Development, Labour and Human Rights	March	12.5
LAWS70141 Energy Regulation and the Law	March	12.5
LAWS70100 Environmental Law	August	12.5
LAWS70446 Equality Law Internationally	July	12.5
LAWS70162 Fiscal Reform and Development	Not offered 2016	12.5
LAWS70217 Fundamentals of the Common Law	Semester 1, Semester 2	12.5
LAWS70389 Global Commercial Contract Law	May	12.5
LAWS70448 Global Constitutionalism	Not offered 2016	12.5
LAWS70013 Global Financial Order	October	12.5
LAWS90063 Global Governance	August	12.5
LAWS70421 Health Law and Emerging Technologies	February	12.5
LAWS70451 Health Law and Human Rights	March	12.5
LAWS70420 Hedge Funds and Private Equity Funds	August	12.5
LAWS70422 Human Rights and Armed Conflict	May	12.5
LAWS70452 Human Rights and Climate Change	September	12.5

LAWS70453 Human Rights and Culture	August	12.5
LAWS90044 Human Rights and Economic Globalisation	August	12.5
LAWS70091 Human Rights and Terrorism	August	12.5
LAWS90045 Human Rights and Universality	November	12.5
LAWS70360 Human Rights Beyond Borders	March	12.5
LAWS70171 Human Rights, Women and Development	June	12.5
LAWS70454 Human Rights: From Morality to Law	August	12.5
LAWS90021 Intercultural Dispute Resolution	May	12.5
LAWS70392 International Business Transactions	July	12.5
LAWS70121 International Commercial Arbitration	December, Semester 1	12.5
LAWS70033 International Criminal Law	August	12.5
LAWS70303 International Criminal Law and Justice	Not offered 2016	12.5
LAWS70308 International Economic Law	July	12.5
LAWS70218 International Employment Law	August	12.5
LAWS70219 International Environmental Law	October	12.5
LAWS70110 International Financial System	May	12.5
LAWS70151 International Health Law	July	12.5
LAWS70264 International Human Rights Law	February	12.5
LAWS70234 International Humanitarian Law	November	12.5
LAWS70304 Internat Investment Law and Arbitration	September	12.5
LAWS70242 Internat.Issues in Intellectual Property	December	12.5
LAWS70120 International Law and Children's Rights	August	12.5
LAWS70093 International Law and Development	April	12.5
LAWS70369 International Law and Ethics	Semester 2	12.5
LAWS70455 International Law and Relations	September	12.5
LAWS70078 International Law and the Use of Force	Not offered 2016	12.5
LAWS70310 International Law, Culture and Identity	Not offered 2016	12.5
LAWS70067 International Legal Internship	Summer Term, Semester 1, Semester 2, Winter Term	12.5
LAWS70365 International Migration Law	April	12.5
LAWS70423 International Mineral Law	September	12.5
LAWS70161 International Petroleum Transactions	May	12.5
LAWS70366 International Refugee Law	July	12.5
LAWS70395 International Resources Law	June	12.5

	LAWS70028 International Trade Law	June	12.5
	LAWS70457 Investment and Risk in Southeast Asia	May	12.5
	LAWS70105 Islamic Law and Politics in Asia	November	12.5
	LAWS70397 Latin American Constitutionalisms	Not offered 2016	12.5
	LAWS70367 Law of Democracy	Not offered 2016	12.5
	LAWS70456 Law of Treaties	June	12.5
	LAWS70349 Planning and Development Law	November	12.5
	LAWS70425 Money, Law and Politics	November	12.5
	LAWS70313 Post-Conflict State-Building	August	12.5
	LAWS70430 Poverty, Human Rights and Development	April	12.5
	LAWS70173 Principles of International Law	February	12.5
	LAWS70327 Prosecuting the War on Terror	July	12.5
	LAWS90049 Reimagining Human Rights Law	June	12.5
	LAWS70403 Statehood in International Law	Not offered 2016	12.5
	LAWS90051 The Practice of Commercial Arbitration	November	12.5
	LAWS90052 Trade and Investment Law in China	November	12.5
	LAWS70122 Trade, Human Rights and Development	April	12.5
	LAWS90053 Transnat'l Corporations: Rights & Duties	April	12.5
	LAWS70118 Women, War and Peacebuilding	September	12.5
	LAWS70322 WTO Law and Dispute Settlement	February	12.5
Entry Requirements:	<p># A degree in law (LLB, JD or equivalent) leading to admission to practice, at honours standard, or equivalent; or # A degree in law (LLB, JD or equivalent) leading to admission to practice, or equivalent and two years of documented relevant professional experience; or # An undergraduate degree in a relevant discipline and two years of documented relevant professional experience; or # An undergraduate degree in a relevant discipline; and successful completion of four subjects in a cognate graduate diploma and one year of documented relevant professional 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-Acdemic-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</p>		

	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/
Further Study:	A student who completes a masters degree in the Melbourne Law Masters is eligible to apply for entry to the PhD program.
Graduate Attributes:	<p>Advanced understanding of the changing knowledge base in the relevant area(s) of law The specialist focus of the Melbourne Law Masters, the constant review and renewal of subjects and courses to ensure coverage of recent developments, the range and expertise of instructors from Australia and around the world, and regular advice from MLM advisory boards combine to ensure that courses and subjects reflect emerging knowledge and ideas. Ability to investigate, evaluate, synthesise and apply existing knowledge in the relevant area(s) with creativity and initiative 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 required 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. All graduates of an LLM will have demonstrated, through subject assessment, the ability to use their research skills to plan, develop and execute substantial research-based project(s) and/or piece(s) of scholarship. Capacity to effectively communicate complex legal ideas and theories, orally and in writing, to a variety of audiences 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 creativity, originality and discovery that befits a postgraduate program of the highest quality, and students are encouraged and assisted to publish original work of a high standard in refereed journals. Capacity to manage competing demands on time and ability to work with a high level of autonomy and accountability The demanding nature of graduate study requires effective time-management skills from all students and an ability to work independently and be accountable for commitment to study and output, as demonstrated through class attendance, engagement and assessment. The rigour of our programs, whether undertaken part-time or full-time, ensures that all successful graduates have enhanced time-management skills and the ability to work with relative autonomy. 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 provides a foundation for leadership Instructors 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 teamwork Small 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 community Law 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 society Our 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 technology The 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/635AA/2016