

726AA Graduate Diploma in Asian Law

Year and Campus:	2016 - Parkville		
CRICOS Code:	075335A		
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:	Professor Pip Nicholson		
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/1146) 		
Course Overview:	<p>The specialisation in Asian law is ideal for lawyers and other professionals dealing with Asian legal systems in commercial, legal or policy capacities, or for researchers and scholars interested in Asia. International and domestic students alike will benefit from the diverse choice of subjects, exposure to teaching staff who speak Asian languages, and access to the Asian Law Centre – Australia's first and largest centre devoted to developing diverse understandings of Asian laws and legal systems. Covering a range of Asian legal systems and societies, the program offers insights into laws and institutions and their reforms and practices that will determine how governments, businesses and broader stakeholders interact within and across borders.</p>		
Learning Outcomes:	<p>Graduates of the Graduate Diploma in Asian 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 Asian law, including the acquisition and application of knowledge and skills in relation to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # the legal systems of East and South East Asia in their social, political and economic context # how Asian lawyers, business people, legislators and leaders may respond to particular legal issues # the relevance of different Asian legal experiences in Australia # Have advanced cognitive, technical and communication skills that enable them to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # locate, analyse critically, evaluate and convey information and # generate ideas and solutions to complex problems from both theoretical and practical perspectives relevant to Asian laws and legal institutions # Apply knowledge and skills to demonstrate autonomy, well-developed judgement, adaptability and responsibility as a practitioner or learner in the laws of Asian jurisdictions. 		
Course Structure & Available Subjects:	<p>Students must complete four subjects from the prescribed list.</p> <p>Students who do not have a law degree from a common law jurisdiction or any prior legal studies are also expected to 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> <p>Students may discuss other subject options with the Director of Studies.</p>		
Subject Options:	Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:

	LAWS70416 Asian Competition Policy and Law	September	12.5
	LAWS70056 Banking and Finance in Asia	Not offered 2016	12.5
	LAWS70408 Chinese Corporate Law and Securities	Not offered 2016	12.5
	LAWS90009 Chinese Law and Commerce	April	12.5
	LAWS70352 Chinese Tax and Investment Law	Not offered 2016	12.5
	LAWS70230 Commercial Law in Asia	Semester 2	12.5
	LAWS90011 Comparative Constitutional Law	March	12.5
	LAWS90014 Construction Law and Projects in Asia	July	12.5
	LAWS70351 Contemporary Chinese Law and Practice	Not offered 2016	12.5
	LAWS70414 Deals with China	Not offered 2016	12.5
	LAWS70415 Drugs and the Death Penalty in Asia	March	12.5
	LAWS70093 International Law and Development	April	12.5
	LAWS70369 International Law and Ethics	Not offered 2016	12.5
	LAWS70457 Investment and Risk in Southeast Asia	May	12.5
	LAWS70105 Islamic Law and Politics in Asia	Not offered 2016	12.5
	LAWS70434 Rule of Law in Asia	Not offered 2016	12.5
	LAWS90052 Trade and Investment Law in China	November	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</p>		

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 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.

Links to further information:

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