

# LAWS90010 Green Technology Law and Policy

<b>Credit Points:</b>	12.5																																							
<b>Level:</b>	9 (Graduate/Postgraduate)																																							
<b>Dates &amp; Locations:</b>	2016, Parkville This subject commences in the following study period/s: June, Parkville - Taught on campus. This subject has a quota of 30 students. Please refer to the Melbourne Law Masters website for further information about the management of subject quotas and waitlists.																																							
<b>Time Commitment:</b>	Contact Hours: 24-26 hours Total Time Commitment: 136-150 hours The pre-teaching period commences four weeks before the subject commencement date. From this time, students are expected to access and review the Reading Guide that will be available from the LMS subject page and the subject materials provided by the subject coordinator, which will be available from Melbourne Law School. Refer to the Reading Guide for confirmation of which resources need to be read and what other preparation is required before the teaching period commences.																																							
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	<p><b>Melbourne Law Masters Students:</b> None</p> <p><b>JD Students:</b> Successful completion of all the below subjects:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Subject</th> <th>Study Period Commencement:</th> <th>Credit Points:</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>LAWS50027 Dispute Resolution</td> <td>Semester 1</td> <td>12.5</td> </tr> <tr> <td>LAWS50024 Principles of Public Law</td> <td>Semester 1</td> <td>12.5</td> </tr> <tr> <td>LAWS50026 Obligations</td> <td>Semester 1</td> <td>12.5</td> </tr> <tr> <td>LAWS50028 Constitutional Law</td> <td>Semester 2</td> <td>12.5</td> </tr> <tr> <td>LAWS50029 Contracts</td> <td>Semester 2</td> <td>12.5</td> </tr> <tr> <td>LAWS50025 Torts</td> <td>November, Semester 2</td> <td>12.5</td> </tr> <tr> <td>LAWS50036 Remedies</td> <td>Semester 2</td> <td>12.5</td> </tr> <tr> <td>LAWS50034 Criminal Law and Procedure</td> <td>Semester 2</td> <td>12.5</td> </tr> <tr> <td>LAWS50035 Corporations Law</td> <td>Semester 2</td> <td>12.5</td> </tr> <tr> <td>LAWS50032 Administrative Law</td> <td>Semester 1</td> <td>12.5</td> </tr> <tr> <td>LAWS50030 Property</td> <td>Semester 1</td> <td>12.5</td> </tr> <tr> <td>LAWS50033 Trusts</td> <td>Semester 1</td> <td>12.5</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:	LAWS50027 Dispute Resolution	Semester 1	12.5	LAWS50024 Principles of Public Law	Semester 1	12.5	LAWS50026 Obligations	Semester 1	12.5	LAWS50028 Constitutional Law	Semester 2	12.5	LAWS50029 Contracts	Semester 2	12.5	LAWS50025 Torts	November, Semester 2	12.5	LAWS50036 Remedies	Semester 2	12.5	LAWS50034 Criminal Law and Procedure	Semester 2	12.5	LAWS50035 Corporations Law	Semester 2	12.5	LAWS50032 Administrative Law	Semester 1	12.5	LAWS50030 Property	Semester 1	12.5	LAWS50033 Trusts	Semester 1	12.5
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<b>Corequisites:</b>	None																																							
<b>Recommended Background Knowledge:</b>	It would be helpful if students have a basic understanding of regulatory policy and economics. Applicants without legal qualifications should note that subjects are offered in the discipline of law at an advanced graduate level. While every effort will be made to meet the needs of students trained in other fields, concessions will not be made in the general level of instruction or assessment. Most subjects assume the knowledge usually acquired in a degree in law (LLB, JD or equivalent). Applicants should note that admission to some subjects in the Melbourne Law Masters will be dependent upon the individual applicant's educational background and professional experience.																																							
<b>Non Allowed Subjects:</b>	None																																							
<b>Core Participation Requirements:</b>	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																																							

	<p>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 Student Equity and Disability Support.</p>
<p><b>Contact:</b></p>	<p><b>Lecturers</b></p> <p><b>Professor David E Adelman</b> (<a href="http://www.law.unimelb.edu.au/staff/David%20Adelman">http://www.law.unimelb.edu.au/staff/David%20Adelman</a>) (Coordinator)</p> <p>Email: <a href="mailto:law-masters@unimelb.edu.au">law-masters@unimelb.edu.au</a> (<a href="mailto:law-masters@unimelb.edu.au">mailto:law-masters@unimelb.edu.au</a>) Phone: +61 3 8344 6190 Website: <a href="http://www.law.unimelb.edu.au/masters">www.law.unimelb.edu.au/masters</a> (<a href="http://www.law.unimelb.edu.au/masters">http://www.law.unimelb.edu.au/masters</a>)</p>
<p><b>Subject Overview:</b></p>	<p>This subject will evaluate a range of policies and green technologies that have been adopted as part of the emerging global effort to mitigate emissions of greenhouse gases associated with climate change. It will examine the legal, economic, and policy dimensions of efforts to promote the development and diffusion of green technologies, emphasising the role of market-based mechanisms and patent rights. The subject will focus on policy developments in the United States, Europe, and Australia, and will assess the merits of different policy instruments (eg, patents, renewable-energy portfolio standards, tax breaks, direct subsidies, prizes) as means of overcoming the barriers to development and deployment of green technologies. A series of technology-specific case studies will be discussed, with technologies including renewable sources of electricity, biofuels used in transportation, green building, and carbon capture and sequestration. The subject will utilise in-class exercises, including green technology pitches, a simulated trading regime and structured policy debates. Students should note that traditional regulation of fossil fuels and economic regulation in the electricity sector will not be covered.</p> <p>Principal topics include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># Green technology - barriers and opportunities</li> <li># Economics of positive and negative externalities</li> <li># Traditional environmental regulation and innovation</li> <li># Pitfalls and promise of policy portfolios built around pollution trading regimes</li> <li># Renewable energy policies</li> <li># Policy myths and realities of grey technologies.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Learning Outcomes:</b></p>	<p>This subject will give students specialised analytical and technical skills in the areas of energy, environmental, and intellectual property law. Students will learn to analyse subjects in these areas critically, as well as to reflect on and synthesise complex legal and technical information, problems, concepts, and theories. Skills developed will include researching and applying relevant theories and information, interpreting laws and policies, and presentation skills relevant to working in a variety of legal and policy settings. The subject is designed to enable students to apply the knowledge and skills they gain independently and to enhance their professional judgment and adaptability.</p> <p>A student who has successfully completed this subject will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># Gain an advanced and integrated understanding of the economic principles of innovation policy and environmental externalities</li> <li># Develop a sophisticated knowledge of the policy instruments used in Australia and abroad to promote the development and deployment of new technologies (eg, intellectual property rights, tax incentives, subsidies), including recent developments in laws and policies</li> <li># Have an advanced understanding of specific clean technology laws and policies being implemented at the local, state, national, and international levels</li> <li># Be able to critically examine, analyse, interpret and assess the effectiveness of these legal and policy regimes</li> <li># Be an engaged participant in debate regarding emerging and contemporary issues in the field, such as the relative effectiveness, practical viability, economic implications, and barriers to implementing policies to promote clean technologies</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># Have the cognitive and technical skills to independently examine, research and analyse existing and emerging legal issues relating to policies designed to promote clean technologies;</li> <li># Have the communication skills to clearly articulate and convey complex information regarding policies relevant to promoting clean technologies</li> <li># Be able demonstrate autonomy, expert judgment and responsibility as a practitioner and learner in the fields of environmental law, innovation policy, and intellectual property law.</li> </ul>
<b>Assessment:</b>	In-class presentation and 1,000-1,500 word written presentation (25%) (29 June) EITHER Take-home examination (5,000-6,000 words as specified in the subject reading guide) (75%) (15-18 July) OR 7,500 word research paper on a topic approved by the subject coordinator (75%) (31 August) A minimum of 75% attendance is a hurdle requirement.
<b>Prescribed Texts:</b>	Specialist printed materials will be made available free of charge from the Melbourne Law School prior to the pre-teaching period.
<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>
<b>Links to further information:</b>	<a href="http://www.law.unimelb.edu.au/subject/LAWS90010/2016">www.law.unimelb.edu.au/subject/LAWS90010/2016</a>
<b>Related Course(s):</b>	Graduate Diploma in Energy and Resources Law Graduate Diploma in Environmental Law Graduate Diploma in Legal Studies Juris Doctor Master of Commercial Law Master of Energy and Resources Law Master of Environmental Law Master of Intellectual Property Law Master of Laws Master of Public and International Law