



Course

# Legal System and Skills A

**LAWS1121**

**6 Units of Credit**

## Overview

LAWS1121 – Legal System and Skills A ('LLSA') is a core course for Humanities Pathway Program (Law) students in Term 1 of their studies. This course is worth 6 units of credit.

The focus of LSSA is to examine the nature of law in Australian society. It teaches about the historical foundations and contemporary workings of the Australian legal system by adopting a critical and contextual approach. Students develop an understanding of law in practice through visiting courts and tribunals, which complements theoretical learning about the Australian common law. Integrated into LSSA is the development of introductory academic skills including critical analysis, oral and written communication, academic literacy, problem-solving and research.

These skills and knowledge are an essential foundation for subsequent core courses for Humanities Pathway Program (Law) students in Term 2 and Term 3.

### Main Topics:

- Lawyers' work, skills and knowledge
- History of the Australian legal system
- Australian legal principles and institutions
- Introduction to traditional and critical jurisprudence
- Classification of law
- Sources of law
- The doctrine of precedent, judicial method and judge-made law
- Frameworks for legal thinking, reasoning and legal problem-solving
- Legal citation
- Introduction to legal research through the UNSW Library

Locating and using secondary legal materials and case law

**Faculty**

Faculty of Law

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**Study Level**

Undergraduate

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**Offering Terms**

Term 1

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**Campus**

Kensington

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**Indicative contact hours**

5

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**Timetable**

[Visit timetable website for details](#)

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## **Conditions for Enrolment**

Prerequisite: Academic program must be 7016, Humanities Pathway Program.

## **Course Outline**

To access course outline, please visit:

[LAWS1121 Course Outline](#)

## Fees

Commonwealth Supported Students \$1395

Domestic Students \$5550

International Students \$5550

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