

LAWS 3024 FOUNDATIONS OF CHINESE LAW

Credit Points 10

Legacy Code 200759

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Description An LLB alternate unit, Foundations of Chinese Law is taught intensively at a selected Chinese university. The unit introduces students to the basic structure of the Chinese legal system, its laws and the legal culture. Through seminars and field trips to Chinese courts and law firms, the unit aims to develop your understanding of how the Chinese legal system has developed in its political and cultural contexts. It covers the Chinese legal systems at the general level and in relation to specific law, such as contracts, foreign investment law, dispute resolution and procedure.

School Law

Discipline Law

Student Contribution Band HECS Band 4 10cp

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Level Undergraduate Level 3 subject

Pre-requisite(s) LAWS 2003

Restrictions The subject is available to students by invitation only. Students must attend all the classes and activities (both online and face-to-face) via the Online Global Learning experience organised by the School of Law. (Dates for session of offer will be made available to students through the School of Law's regular communication channels).

Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this subject, students should be able to:

1. Demonstrate an understanding of the general structure of the Chinese legal system and institutions.
2. Critically examine the history of legal reform in China in its cultural context.
3. Describe and evaluate selected laws and dispute resolution procedures in China.

Subject Content

1. Chinese legal system and legal institutions;
2. China's opening Up policy and law reform;
3. The Constitution and Administrative Law;
4. Chinese Foreign Trade and Investment Law;
5. Commercial Law in China;
6. Legal Education, Legal Service and Judicial System in China;
7. Chinese legal Culture and Dispute Resolution

Special Requirements

Legislative pre-requisites

Relevant visa for China.

Assessment

The following table summarises the standard assessment tasks for this subject. Please note this is a guide only. Assessment tasks are regularly updated, where there is a difference your Learning Guide takes precedence.

| Item | Length | Percent | Threshold | Individual/Group Task |
|---------------------|---|---------|-----------|-----------------------|
| Class Participation | Ongoing - Attendance is compulsory. Students must attend 100% of the scheduled classes for this unit. | 10 | N | Individual |
| Reflective Journal | 1,500 Words | 35 | N | Individual |
| Research Essay | 3,000 Words | 55 | N | Individual |

Prescribed Texts

- Jianfu Chen, Chinese Law: Context and Transformation (Martinus Nijhoff, 2016).

Teaching Periods