

LAWS 3044 LAW AND PUBLIC POLICY

Credit Points 10

Legacy Code 200802

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Description This subject examines the link between law, public policy and social reform and adopts a range of social, political and legal perspectives to examine the policy process and its interaction with law. Students will study and reflect on discourse and activism around selected case studies involving contemporary issues in public law and policy.

School Law

Discipline Law, Not Elsewhere Classified.

Student Contribution Band HECS Band 4 10cp

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Level Undergraduate Level 3 subject

Pre-requisite(s) LAWS 2008 Government and Public Law

Restrictions

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Learning Outcomes

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

1. Demonstrate knowledge of the field of public policy development and implementation in selected relevant case studies.
2. Review the social and political processes that underpin legal change from an interdisciplinary perspective.
3. Communicate legal and policy issues using different media as appropriate for diverse audiences.

Subject Content

1. Social and political dynamics of change: lessons from political science and sociology
2. Approaches to the relationship between law and public policy
3. Case studies on contemporary issues related to law and public policy

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.

| Type | Length | Percent | Threshold | Individual/ Group Task |
|-----------------|--------------------|---------|-----------|---------------------------|
| Critical Review | 1,500 words | 30 | N | Individual |
| Presentation | 10 minutes maximum | 30 | N | Group/ Individual |

Professional 2,000 words 40 N Individual Task

Prescribed Texts

- Reader to be collated by subject coordinator.