

# ARCH 7018 ARCHITECTURAL PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE

**Credit Points** 10

**Legacy Code** 301404

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**Description** This subject introduces students to the expectations and the requirements that are needed for a professional practice in Architecture. As such students will require to critically examine a broad range of real life professional, legal, business and ethical challenges that are likely to face in practice and apply critical thinking in order to resolve these problems. The intention here is to assist students in navigating through complex real life challenges and to bring a common sense and real world approach to solving a problem. Transitioning from university to the workplace can be quite daunting thus, the aim here is to allow students to gain the knowledge and skills to make informed decisions but most importantly to build confidence in themselves as they move forward with their career.

**School** Eng, Design & Built Env

**Discipline** Architecture and Urban Environment, Not Elsewhere Classified.

**Student Contribution Band** HECS Band 2 10cp

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**Level** Postgraduate Coursework Level 7 subject

## Restrictions

Students must be enrolled in 3761 Master of Architecture (Urban Transformation)

## Learning Outcomes

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

1. Evaluate the competencies and performance criteria required by the NSW Board of Architects and the Australian Institute of Architects (AIA).
2. Critique the implication of the Architects' Professional Code of Conduct.
3. Critique the implication of the Client Architect agreement as it relates to contract law.
4. Demonstrate professional ethics on building procurement choices and tendering processes.
5. Critique the implication of the agent role of the architect.
6. Apply the architect's duty of care in providing architectural services.
7. Articulate the processes required to operate a small business enterprise as it relates to trade practice.
8. Examine the process of architectural practice through the design, approvals, documentation and contract administration stages.

## Subject Content

1. Roles of the architect
2. Ethics and professional conduct, the Architects Code of Conduct
3. The process of architectural practice
4. Client architect agreements

5. Running a business
6. Marketing and financials
7. Entrepreneurship and pitching for work
8. Construction contracts

## 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	Mandatory
Presentation	30 minutes	25	N	Group	N
Log/ Workbook	Weekly self-reflections	25	N	Individual	N
Quiz	1 hour	20	N	Individual	N
Interview	30 minutes	30	N	Individual	N

Teaching Periods

## Spring (2025)

### Parramatta City - Macquarie St

#### On-site

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