

# TEAC 5004 BUSINESS STUDIES/LEGAL STUDIES/ECONOMICS CURRICULUM 2

**Credit Points** 10

**Legacy Code** 102876

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**Description** The subject will build on Commerce/Business Studies Curriculum 1 and examine and model effective innovative classroom practice in teaching senior Business Studies, Legal Studies and Economics in Stage 6. The subject will provide opportunities to engage with the inquiry pedagogy and historical thinking. The specifics of the relevant NSW Education Standards Authority Years stage 6 Syllabuses will be analysed and critiqued as will current Australian and NSW educational/curriculum policies and priorities. Emphasis will be placed on principles underlying Business, Economics and Legal Studies teaching to develop innovative lesson and subject planning, choose relevant sources, and how to create authentic assessment tasks and apply consistent feedback for student learning. Opportunities for investigation and discussion of current research particularly related to the development of senior inquiry, and subject specific concepts will be presented. This subject is included in the Development Phase of the Master of Teaching program.

**School** Education

**Discipline** Teacher Education: Secondary

**Student Contribution Band** HECS Band 1 10cp

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**Level** Postgraduate Coursework Level 5 subject

**Pre-requisite(s)** TEAC 7004 OR TEAC 7161 AND  
TEAC 7032 AND  
TEAC 7027 OR TEAC 7160

**Restrictions**

Students in program 1714 or 1914 must have Business Studies or Commerce or Economics or Legal Studies Curriculum Area applied to their student record before they can enrol in this subject. Students can view their Curriculum Areas on DegreeWorks in MySR.

## Learning Outcomes

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

1. Demonstrate understanding of NSW Education Standards Authority Stage 6 Business Studies, Economics and Legal Studies syllabuses and the effect upon syllabus implementation of current NSW and Australian educational policies and priorities.
2. Demonstrate understanding of socio-cultural perspectives and pedagogical theories and approaches used in teaching senior Business Studies, Economics and Legal Studies.
3. Present well-constructed, innovative and coherent student-centred lessons that include literacy (including key metalanguage) and numeracy, enhance thinking and ICT skills and which take into account the full range of students' abilities and school-based and system data.

4. Prepare a suitable range of senior assessment instruments that use valid, reliable and consistent judgements of student learning.
5. Design and select innovative teaching resources that apply a critically reflective approach to teaching senior Business Studies, Economics and Legal Studies and include opportunities to develop students' inquiry skills.
6. Use a variety of teaching and learning strategies and resources, including ICT and a range of sources in teaching lessons and programs.
7. Reflect and research professional learning to develop the discipline of Business Studies, Economics and Legal Studies teaching.

## Subject Content

1. What is the nature of Business Studies/Economics and Legal Studies in the senior years of secondary education?
2. How are current educational policies and priorities addressed with particular reference to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander education, literacy and numeracy and ICT, in the teaching of the subject?
3. In what ways do active and engaging, student-centred teaching practices characterise the subject? Why is an understanding of socio-cultural and pedagogical theories and approaches important to quality teaching in Business Studies/Economics and Legal Studies?
4. What is the relationship between business principles and functions, economic interdependence, the place of legal rights and responsibilities, equity, social justice, and democracy?
5. How are lessons planned, units written and learning scoped and sequenced in the subject?
6. Why is it necessary to continue to differentiate teaching in the subject in the senior years of secondary education? How do teachers go about differentiation?
7. How do teachers keep students safe during teaching in the subject?
8. How may the incorporation of visionary and innovative uses of ICT, critical and creative thinking and problem solving support the achievement of quality learning outcomes in Business Studies/Economics and Legal Studies?
9. How can assessment of learning, assessment for learning and assessment as learning be reconciled in teaching Business Studies/Economics and Legal Studies?
10. What records do teachers keep? How are those records used in reporting student performance at the HSC and for awarding the Record of Student Achievement (ROSA)?
11. In what ways has educational research contributed to the teaching and student learning of Business Studies/Economics and Legal Studies?
12. What options are open to pre-service teachers to continue to learn about Business Studies/Economics and Legal Studies?

## 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
Professional Task	2000 words	50	N	Individual	Y
Portfolio	2000 words	50	N	Individual	Y

Prescribed Texts

- New South Wales Standards Authority [NESAA]. (2009) Legal Studies Stage 6 Syllabus (<https://educationstandards.nsw.edu.au/wps/portal/nesa/11-12/stage-6-learning-areas/hsie/legal-studies/>)
- New South Wales Standards Authority [NESAA]. (2010) Business Studies Stage 6 Syllabus (<https://educationstandards.nsw.edu.au/wps/portal/nesa/11-12/stage-6-learning-areas/hsie/business-studies/>)
- New South Wales Standards Authority [NESAA]. (2009) Economics Stage 6 Syllabus (<https://educationstandards.nsw.edu.au/wps/portal/nesa/11-12/stage-6-learning-areas/hsie/economics/>)

Teaching Periods

**Spring (2025)**

**Penrith (Kingswood)**

**On-site**

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