

LEGAL STUDIES

Description

This course provides students with opportunities to develop their knowledge and understanding of the nature and functions of law and law-making, the development of Australian and international legal systems, the Australian constitution and law reform. Students investigate the key areas of law, justice and human rights through a variety of focus studies which consider how changes in societies influence law reform.

Year 11 Topics: Core Part 1 – The Legal System, Core Part 2 -The Individual and the Law, Core Part 3 – Law in Practice.

Year 12 Topics: Core Part 1 – Crime, Core Part 2 – Human Rights, Core Part 3 – Two options – Family and Shelter.

The student will develop the following skills: inquiry, research, reading and comprehension, writing, communication and self-management skills.

Assessment

A variety of assessments are used throughout the entire course including media research, examinations and extended responses.

This course will have a three hour HSC Examination. A significant component of assessment involves writing extended responses.

Additional Information

This course is a highly academic and rigorous course.

This course is recommended for students who are able to evaluate and share their opinion, have good writing skills, like working with facts and statistics and are up to date with current events.

Students will be required to attend an excursion to a court house, however, this is dependent on the case being heard and the availability of the court at the time the topic is being studied.

To consolidate knowledge, skills and understanding in Legal Studies, students should also consider studying Aboriginal Studies.

Students interested in studying Law at University can do work experience at a legal firm.

Costs

\$27.50 per year for Edrolo subscription to be paid directly via the Edrolo payment portal in Year 11 and Year 12.

Excursion costs are additional.

