COURSE DETAIL

INTRODUCTION TO THE AUSTRALIAN LEGAL SYSTEM
Country Australia
Host Institution University of New South Wales
Program(s) University of New South Wales
UCEAP Course Level Upper Division
UCEAP Subject Area(s) Legal Studies Australian Studies
UCEAP Course Number 121
UCEAP Course Suffix
UCEAP Official Title INTRODUCTION TO THE AUSTRALIAN LEGAL SYSTEM
UCEAP Transcript Title AUST LEGAL SYSTEM
UCEAP Quarter Units 6.00
UCEAP Semester Units 4.00

Course Description

This course examines the Australian legal system, a common law system, and contrasts it with the civil law system. It covers the historical origins of the Australian legal system, some of the principles underpinning the legal system, including the importance of the concept of the rule of law. It also covers the operation of the principal institutions of the legal system, the legislative and executive arms of government and the judiciary and courts. This will include the jurisdiction of Australian courts, the process by which cases are decided and the doctrine of precedent, consideration of alternative methods of dispute resolution and an examination of the role of the legal profession. There will also be an overview of the main branches of law. Aboriginal customary law will be looked at and there will be a critical analysis of the circumstances of the adoption of the common law in Australia and the effect on the indigenous people. There will also be examination of the recognition of customary law and native title.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

Host Institution Course Number
GENL2021

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Host Institution Course Details

Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty
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Host Institution Degree

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