#### What should I be able to do at the end of the course?

Legal Studies assists in the development of students' knowledge of their basic legal rights and responsibilities, enables students to have confidence in approaching and accessing the legal system, and allows students to question and evaluate domestic and international legal institutional structures.

# How will this subject help me in the future?

The Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations provides an extensive insight into legal-related career options.

- Business Administration... B. Business Administration / Law
- Commerce... B. Commerce / Law
- Criminology... B. Social Science / Criminology
- Economics... B. Economics / Law
- Environment... B. Environmental Law
- Information Technology... B. Information Technology / Law
- International Studies... B. International Studies / Law
- Law... B. Laws
- Psychology... B. Psychology / Laws
- Science... B. Science / Law
- Social Sciences / Law

Enter 'Do you enjoy or are you good at Legal Studies?' into an Internet search engine for additional information.

# **LEGAL STUDIES**

A BOARD DEVELOPED PRELIMINARY & H.S.C. 2 UNIT COURSE

#### **Course Overview:**

A stimulating and relevant Legal Studies framework enables students to develop higher-order thinking skills necessary to best understand implications that legal decisions can have for individuals and groups in society.



**Course Classification:** Board Developed

ATAR: Yes

**Exclusions:** None

Units: 2 units for each of Year 11 and HSC Courses

Hours Studied: 120 hours for each of Year 11 and HSC Courses

What does this course cost?

Nil subject fees, plus the cost of any excursions or conferences.

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#### What is the course about?

#### **Year 11 Course Content:**

- ✓ The Legal System... nature and functions of law
- ✓ The Individual and the Law... impacts of law on individuals
- ✓ Law in Practice... contemporary legal issues

# **HSC Course Content, including Contemporary Issues:**

- ✓ Crime... criminal law, processes and institutions
- ✓ Human Rights... extent of embodiment and promotion in practice
- ✓ Option... Consumers... protection and achieving justice
- ✓ Option... Shelter... securing and providing shelter

# How is the course taught?

Contemporary legal themes and challenges and case studies are embedded in the course to provide a relevant, stimulating framework for students to apply to issues encountered in the legal environment.

Domestic and international legal case studies are considered from the perspective of the individual and the state, in relation to concepts of justice and fairness.

### How is the course assessed?

Assessment tasks have been designed to develop HSC Examination writing thought and skills processes.

#### **Course Assessment:**

Internal Assessment Components	Weighting
Knowledge and understanding of course content	40
Analysis & evaluation	20
Inquiry and research	20
Communication of legal information, issues and ideas in appropriate forms	20

## Who should do this course?

This course is ideal in developing and understanding about the legal system, its principles, structures, institutions and processes. Knowledge is power.

# **Additional Information:**

Additional information in regards to this course is available via the NSW Education Standards Authority. Search for 'NESA Legal Studies'.