



UNSW Course Outline

LAWS8345 CIBEL Elective (Tsinghua) - 2024

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General Course Information

Course Code : LAWS8345

Year : 2024

Term : Term 3

Teaching Period : T3A

Is a multi-term course? : No

Faculty : Faculty of Law and Justice

Academic Unit : School of Private and Commercial Law

Delivery Mode : In Person

Delivery Format : Standard

Delivery Location : Beijing

Campus : Sydney

Study Level : Postgraduate

Units of Credit : 6

Useful Links

[Handbook Class Timetable](#)

Course Details & Outcomes

Course Description

Run in Beijing in conjunction with Tsinghua University Law School, this course provides an introduction to the legal system of the People's Republic of China. Emphasis is placed on modern developments in China's commercial law, international business and economic law, and

other important legal areas.

The course examines the role law plays in modern China by reference to its historical antecedents. It looks at particular areas of development, not only for their own sake, but also as indicators of the changing role of law in Chinese society. Areas that are the subject of particular attention include: elements and institutions of the Chinese legal system; the role of law in Chinese society from the perspectives of legal history and philosophy; contract law; intellectual property law; foreign investment law; corporate and securities law; foreign trade law; and mediation, arbitration and civil enforcement procedures.

In addition to classroom teaching, there will be field trips to Chinese legal institutions, such as an arbitration commission or a Chinese law firm.

Course Aims

The course examines Chinese business and economic law in an international context, and students will gain an understanding of relevant Chinese laws and their broader social, cultural, and economic contexts. Students will also gain insights into Chinese business and legal practices, and the complexities associated with doing business in China. This educational experience will equip students with the necessary tools for advising clients on negotiations, agreements, disputes, and other legal matters involving Chinese entities.

Course Learning Outcomes

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CLO1 : Demonstrate effective oral communication and collaboration through class discussions of the complexity of the broader Chinese legal environment in a scholarly and insightful manner (PLOs 1, 6, 9 & 10)
CLO2 : Examine and engage in critical analysis of the workings of aspects of Chinese commercial law through an extended research essay and plan (PLOs 1, 5, 6, 12)
CLO3 : Demonstrate effective written communication skills by articulating Chinese legal concepts clearly, persuasively and appropriately in an extended research essay and plan (PLOs 1, 5, 6, 12)
CLO4 : Demonstrate effective oral communication skills by discussing and debating course concepts in a scholarly, reflective and respectful manner (PLOs 6, 9 & 10)

Course Learning Outcomes	Assessment Item
CLO1 : Demonstrate effective oral communication and collaboration through class discussions of the complexity of the broader Chinese legal environment in a scholarly and insightful manner (PLOs 1, 6, 9 & 10)	• Class Participation
CLO2 : Examine and engage in critical analysis of the workings of aspects of Chinese commercial law through an extended research essay and plan (PLOs 1, 5, 6, 12)	• Research Essay Plan • Research Essay
CLO3 : Demonstrate effective written communication skills by articulating Chinese legal concepts clearly, persuasively and appropriately in an extended research essay and plan (PLOs 1, 5, 6, 12)	• Research Essay Plan • Research Essay
CLO4 : Demonstrate effective oral communication skills by discussing and debating course concepts in a scholarly, reflective and respectful manner (PLOs 6, 9 & 10)	• Class Participation

Learning and Teaching Technologies

Moodle - Learning Management System

Assessments

Assessment Structure

Assessment Item	Weight	Relevant Dates
Class Participation Assessment Format: Individual	20%	Start Date: See Moodle Due Date: See Moodle
Research Essay Plan Assessment Format: Individual	10%	Start Date: See Moodle Due Date: See Moodle
Research Essay Assessment Format: Individual	70%	Start Date: See Moodle Due Date: See Moodle

Assessment Details

Class Participation

Assessment Overview

This assessment requires you to prepare for and actively engage in class-based and online activities.

Course Learning Outcomes

- CL01 : Demonstrate effective oral communication and collaboration through class discussions of the complexity of the broader Chinese legal environment in a scholarly and insightful manner (PLOs 1, 6, 9 & 10)
- CL04 : Demonstrate effective oral communication skills by discussing and debating course concepts in a scholarly, reflective and respectful manner (PLOs 6, 9 & 10)

Generative AI Permission Level

No Assistance

This assessment is designed for you to complete without the use of any generative AI. You are not permitted to use any generative AI tools, software or service to search for or generate information or answers.

For more information on Generative AI and permitted use please see [here](#).

Research Essay Plan

Assessment Overview

This assessment requires you to write a research essay plan. This plan will inform your research essay assessment.

Course Learning Outcomes

- CLO2 : Examine and engage in critical analysis of the workings of aspects of Chinese commercial law through an extended research essay and plan (PLOs 1, 5, 6, 12)
- CLO3 : Demonstrate effective written communication skills by articulating Chinese legal concepts clearly, persuasively and appropriately in an extended research essay and plan (PLOs 1, 5, 6, 12)

Detailed Assessment Description

Please see Moodle for detailed assessment instructions.

Generative AI Permission Level

Simple Editing Assistance

In completing this assessment, you are permitted to use standard editing and referencing functions in the software you use to complete your assessment. These functions are described below. You must not use any functions that generate or paraphrase passages of text or other media, whether based on your own work or not.

If your Convenor has concerns that your submission contains passages of AI-generated text or media, you may be asked to account for your work. If you are unable to satisfactorily demonstrate your understanding of your submission you may be referred to UNSW Conduct & Integrity Office for investigation for academic misconduct and possible penalties.

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Research Essay

Assessment Overview

This assessment requires you to write a research essay.

Course Learning Outcomes

- CLO2 : Examine and engage in critical analysis of the workings of aspects of Chinese commercial law through an extended research essay and plan (PLOs 1, 5, 6, 12)
- CLO3 : Demonstrate effective written communication skills by articulating Chinese legal concepts clearly, persuasively and appropriately in an extended research essay and plan (PLOs 1, 5, 6, 12)

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General Assessment Information

For further information on generative AI use in the Faculty of Law & Justice, please review the section titled 'Academic Honesty and Plagiarism' under the 'Other Useful Information' tab.

Grading Basis

Standard

Course Schedule

Attendance Requirements

Please see information about attendance requirements in **Law & Justice Assessment Procedure and Student Information**.

Please note that this is an intensive course and UNSW's **100% attendance** rule applies.

Course Resources

Prescribed Resources

There is no prescribed textbook for this course. Please consult the readings on Moodle.

Staff Details

Position	Name	Email	Location	Phone	Availability	Equitable Learning Services Contact	Primary Contact
Convenor	Lu Wang					Yes	Yes

Other Useful Information

Academic Information

Upon your enrolment at UNSW, you share responsibility with us for maintaining a safe, harmonious and tolerant University environment.

You are required to:

- Comply with the University's conditions of enrolment.
- Act responsibly, ethically, safely and with integrity.
- Observe standards of equity and respect in dealing with every member of the UNSW community.
- Engage in lawful behaviour.
- Use and care for University resources in a responsible and appropriate manner.
- Maintain the University's reputation and good standing.

For more information, visit the [UNSW Student Code of Conduct Website](#).

UNSW Law & Justice Assessment Policy

It is essential that all students undertaking this course read and abide by the [UNSW Law & Justice Assessment Policy & Student Information](#). This document includes information on Class Attendance, Late Work, Word Limits, Marking, Special Consideration, Workload, and Academic Misconduct & Plagiarism. More information can also be found at [Assessment & Exam Information](#).

Information regarding Course Outlines are subject to change and students are advised to check updates. If there is a discrepancy between the information posted here and the handbook or the UNSW Law & Justice website, please contact [Student Services via The Nucleus Hub](#) for advice. UNSW Law & Justice reserves the right to discontinue or vary such courses or staff allocations at any time. If your course is not here, please visit [Handbook](#) for information.

Academic Honesty and Plagiarism

As a student at UNSW you are expected to display [academic integrity](#) in your work and interactions. Where a student breaches the [UNSW Student Code](#) with respect to academic integrity, the University may take disciplinary action under the Student Misconduct Procedure. To assure academic integrity, you may be required to demonstrate reasoning, research and the process of constructing work submitted for assessment.

To assist you in understanding what academic integrity means, and how to ensure that you do comply with the UNSW Student Code, it is strongly recommended that you complete the [Working with Academic Integrity](#) module before submitting your first assessment task. It is a free, online self-paced Moodle module that should take about one hour to complete.

Generative AI

Using generative AI to conduct research or to organise your argument is not prohibited but is not encouraged. We note that the output from generative AI tools is often incorrect and almost always more superficial than is required to achieve a passing grade. Moreover, any substantive errors in the assessment, such as inappropriate references or incorrect statements, will be regarded negatively by the marker, just as they would if not generated by AI. You should limit your use of AI to simple editorial assistance, such as standard editing and referencing functions in word processing software in the creation of your submission. You must not use any functions that generate or paraphrase passages of text, whether based on your own work or not. If your marker or Turnitin identify the wrongful use of generative AI in the text of your assessment submission, including the use of paraphrasing software, your assessment may be referred to the Student Integrity team for investigation. Please go to the link for further information about [referencing and acknowledging the use of artificial intelligence tools](#).

Prohibition on use of translation apps

With limited exceptions for language study, the course of study and assessment in Australian universities must be in English (Higher Education Standard Framework (Threshold Standards) 2021 1.5 6(c)).

In Law & Justice many classes have assessable class participation. This must be in English. **Use of a translation device to assist with contributions to class discussion is not allowed.** Marks for class participation may be reduced where use of translation devices is detected. Similar prohibitions apply to use of any other generative text app that is not specifically permitted by the class teacher. However, use of translation software to assist a student to understand material outside of class, or to assist with preparation for assessment is generally permitted.

Further considerations apply to LLB and JD students. International lawyers who seek to be admitted in NSW must satisfy an English proficiency test. That test is expressed as equivalent to IELTS scores of 7.0 -8.0 across the tests. It is assumed that UNSW graduates are at or above those levels of English proficiency. Use of translation apps can impede the attainment of that

level of proficiency. Students should avoid behaviours that put them at risk of breach of legal requirements which can have significant consequences, including potential consequences for your admission as a lawyer.

Submission of Assessment Tasks

Before submitting assessment items all students must read and abide by the [UNSW Law & Justice Assessment Policy & Student Information](#).

Special consideration

Special consideration is primarily intended to provide you with an extra opportunity to demonstrate the level of performance of which you are capable. To apply, and for further information, see Special Consideration on the UNSW [Current Students](#) page.

Feedback

UNSW Law & Justice appreciates the need for students to have feedback on their progress prior to the last date for withdrawal without failure. All courses will therefore provide feedback to students prior to this date, as well as throughout the course. However, students should note that feedback does not take the form only of formal grades and written comments on written assessments. Rather, formative feedback, which helps students to self-assess, to identify misunderstandings, and to identify areas requiring further work, will occur during class and possibly online. For example, where a teacher asks the class a question, all students should think about how they might answer. Even though not all students will necessarily be able to respond orally, everyone can reflect on their tentative answer in light of the teacher's response and subsequent class discussion. If you are struggling to understand what is being asked in class, or if your tentative answers prove incorrect and subsequent discussion does not clear things up, then you should continue to ask questions (of yourself, your peers or your teacher). Similarly, you can get a sense of your ability in a course through peer feedback during group work, your teacher's responses to your in-class contributions, and your own response to in-class problems and examples (whether or not you are called on to relay your answer to the class) and also your online activities and responses by others to those activities. Students enrolled in this course may check their Moodle course page for details on the specific feedback used in this course.

Faculty-specific Information

Additional support for students

- Student support: <https://www.student.unsw.edu.au/support>
- Academic Skills and Support: <https://student.unsw.edu.au/academic-skills>
- Student Wellbeing, Health and Safety: <https://student.unsw.edu.au/wellbeing>
- Equitable Learning Services: <https://student.unsw.edu.au/els>
- UNSW IT Service Centre: <https://www.myit.unsw.edu.au>

Course improvement

Student feedback is very important to continual course improvement. This is demonstrated within the Faculty of Law & Justice by the implementation of the UNSW online student survey myExperience, which allows students to evaluate their learning experiences in an anonymous way. myExperience survey reports are produced from each survey. They are released to staff after all student assessment results are finalised and released to students. Course convenors will use the feedback to make ongoing improvements to the course. Students enrolled in this course may check their Moodle course page for details on the actions taken in response to evaluation feedback in Student Survey.

School Contact Information

Please contact [Nucleus Student Hub](#) for all enquiries. The Nucleus acts as a central communications hub for UNSW and will distribute your enquiry to the best person to respond.