



UNSW Course Outline

AVIA3410 Advanced Law and Regulation in Aviation - 2024

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General Course Information

Course Code : AVIA3410

Year : 2024

Term : Term 2

Teaching Period : T2

Is a multi-term course? : No

Faculty : Faculty of Science

Academic Unit : School of Aviation

Delivery Mode : In Person

Delivery Format : Standard

Delivery Location : Kensington

Campus : Sydney

Study Level : Undergraduate

Units of Credit : 6

Useful Links

[Handbook Class Timetable](#)

Course Details & Outcomes

Course Description

An understanding of the law and legal systems, and how they impact aviation is fundamental for an aviation professional to meaningfully and consideringly carry out daily operational tasks and carefully consider approaches to various aviation challenges. Aviation law is found in numerous

legislative enactments, although it derives, particularly in respect of regulation and licensing, from international law sources: Conventions, rules, standard practices, accords and arrangements of more or less formal standing, implemented and supplemented by municipal legislation, some of which is applied by regulatory agencies exercising licensing and other controls over not only the operational (safety and technical) aspects of air navigation, but also over some commercial practices and functions, especially for international air services.

This course focuses on providing students with a deeper understanding of contemporary aviation law and associated regulations by focusing in greater detail aspects of the course content covered in AVIA2401 - Aviation Law and Regulations. This includes developing students' understanding of international law and sovereignty in a dynamic, changing aviation climate. The course will also explore the impact of the legal system on aviation with consideration of international laws, standards and recommended practices and how they are embedded at a local state level. In alignment with considering the impact of international law in a local aviation context, the inclusion of lectures delivered by aviation experts, case-study learning, and assessments related to real world scenarios encourages students to "think global and act local!".

Course Aims

The aim of this course is to provide students with an understanding of international law and a global approach to the regulation of air travel. This course explores the international framework(s), discussing what is international law and how such 'law' comes into being. It also provides students with an opportunity to consider how international obligations then become binding on citizens of any individual state. Through a use of case-based learning, face-to-face lectures with an aviation expert and assessments addressing real-world topics and scenarios, this course aims to support students in developing proficiencies for approaching aviation regulation and law from a global perspective and implementing from a local standpoint.

Course Learning Outcomes

Course Learning Outcomes
CL01 : Explain the international legal framework, and its relationship and impact on the aviation industry.
CL02 : Compare and contrast the approaches of the various states towards embedding international law into municipal legislation.
CL03 : Discuss the international obligations that affect global air travel and their implications.
CL04 : Critique various contemporary Australian judicial decisions in relation to aviation.
CL05 : Explain the Australian regulatory aviation framework in the context of the legal system.

Course Learning Outcomes	Assessment Item
CLO1 : Explain the international legal framework, and its relationship and impact on the aviation industry.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assignment 1 • Assignment 2 • Final Exam
CLO2 : Compare and contrast the approaches of the various states towards embedding international law into municipal legislation.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assignment 2 • Final Exam
CLO3 : Discuss the international obligations that affect global air travel and their implications.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assignment 2 • Final Exam
CLO4 : Critique various contemporary Australian judicial decisions in relation to aviation.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assignment 2 • Final Exam
CLO5 : Explain the Australian regulatory aviation framework in the context of the legal system.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Final Exam

Learning and Teaching Technologies

Moodle - Learning Management System

Learning and Teaching in this course

The primary mode of content delivery for this course is in via in-person lectures presented by an aviation expert. The lecture content draws on real-life situations related to the current aviation law environment, in order to provide students with a learning experience that will translate and serve to support their future careers as aviation professionals. Assessments are designed to encourage students to apply knowledge and skills learnt to addressing scenarios and considering case studies that they would encounter when working in aviation.

Assessments

Assessment Structure

Assessment Item	Weight	Relevant Dates
Assignment 1 Assessment Format: Individual	30%	Start Date: Week 2 Due Date: Week 4: 17 June - 23 June
Assignment 2 Assessment Format: Individual	30%	Start Date: Week 4 Due Date: Week 8: 15 July - 21 July
Final Exam Assessment Format: Individual	40%	Start Date: UNSW Exam Period Due Date: UNSW Exam Period

Assessment Details

Assignment 1

Assessment Overview

You are required to write a 1500-word summary briefing paper for the 'Board' or executive management on the implications of an international treaty and submit it in Week 4. The assignment question and topics will be released in class in Week 2. Marks and detailed verbal feedback will be provided in class within up to 10 working days after the submission deadline.

Course Learning Outcomes

- CL01 : Explain the international legal framework, and its relationship and impact on the aviation industry.

Detailed Assessment Description

You are required to write a 1500-word summary briefing paper for the 'Board' or executive management on the implications of an international treaty and submit it in Week 4. The assignment question and topics will be released in class in Week 2. Marks and detailed verbal feedback will be provided in class within up to 10 working days after the submission deadline.

Assessment Length

1500 words

Submission notes

Submit it via Turnitin.

Assignment submission Turnitin type

This assignment is submitted through Turnitin and students can see Turnitin similarity reports.

Assignment 2

Assessment Overview

You are required to write a 2500-word report on a contemporary case study which requires an assessment of what the law is currently; and evaluate if the law can expand and critically consider further advances in technology.

The assignment question and information will be released in class in Week 4. The assignment is due in Week 8. Marks and detailed feedback will be provided to students in class within up to 10 working days after the submission deadline.

Course Learning Outcomes

- CL01 : Explain the international legal framework, and its relationship and impact on the

aviation industry.

- CLO2 : Compare and contrast the approaches of the various states towards embedding international law into municipal legislation.
- CLO3 : Discuss the international obligations that affect global air travel and their implications.
- CLO4 : Critique various contemporary Australian judicial decisions in relation to aviation.

Detailed Assessment Description

You are required to write a 2500-word report on a contemporary case study which requires an assessment of what the law is currently; and evaluate if the law can expand and critically consider further advances in technology.

The assignment question and information will be released in class in Week 4. The assignment is to be submitted in Week 8. Marks and detailed feedback will be provided to students in class within up to 10 working days after the submission deadline.

Assessment Length

2500 words

Submission notes

Submit it via Turnitin.

Assignment submission Turnitin type

This assignment is submitted through Turnitin and students can see Turnitin similarity reports.

Final Exam

Assessment Overview

You will be required to undertake a final examination, which is held during the official UNSW Examination Period. The examination is 2 hours in length, and covers all materials taught throughout the term. The format of the examination is a combination of short-answer questions and multiple-choice questions. Feedback is available through inquiry with the course convenor.

Course Learning Outcomes

- CLO1 : Explain the international legal framework, and its relationship and impact on the aviation industry.
- CLO2 : Compare and contrast the approaches of the various states towards embedding international law into municipal legislation.
- CLO3 : Discuss the international obligations that affect global air travel and their implications.
- CLO4 : Critique various contemporary Australian judicial decisions in relation to aviation.
- CLO5 : Explain the Australian regulatory aviation framework in the context of the legal system.

Detailed Assessment Description

You will be required to undertake a final examination, which is held during the official UNSW Examination Period. The examination is 2 hours in length, and covers all materials taught throughout the term. The format of the examination is a combination of short-answer questions and multiple-choice questions. Students will not be given feedback for the final examination and the mark will contribute to the final course mark released on the UNSW Release of Results date.

Assessment Length

2 hours

Submission notes

UNSW Exam Period

Assessment information

Please note: The final examination will be **in-person** and **invigilated**, with the actual examination being conducted through an online safe exam browser. The examination will occur during the official UNSW examination period, and you will be provided with 2 hours to complete the examination. Feedback is available through enquiry with the course convenor

Assignment submission Turnitin type

This is not a Turnitin assignment

General Assessment Information

You will be given an opportunity to complete a formative quiz (provided as an online document) within Week 4. The questions will cover Weeks 1 to 3 inclusive of the course content, and provide an opportunity to assess your comprehension of the course material at an early stage. Although this quiz is optional and does not contribute towards your final grade, you are encouraged to complete it with serious intent. Answers and verbal feedback will be provided to you by the lecturer in the following class.

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### UNSW Aviation's decision for Short Extension Policy

The School of Aviation has carefully reviewed its range of assignments and projects to determine their suitability for automatic short extensions as set out by the UNSW Short Extension Policy. After careful consideration of our course offerings and our current structure, we have determined that our current deadline structures already accommodate the possibility of

unexpected circumstances that may lead students to require additional days for submission. Consequently, the School of Aviation has decided to not adopt the Short Extension provision for all its courses and has reassured that flexibility is integrated into our assessment deadlines. The decision is subject to revision in response to the introduction of new course offerings. Students may still apply for Special Consideration via the usual procedures.

**Grading Basis**

Standard

**Course Schedule**

| Teaching Week/Module         | Activity Type | Content                                                                                                                                               |
|------------------------------|---------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Week 1 : 27 May - 2 June     | Lecture       | International Law and Associated Frameworks                                                                                                           |
| Week 2 : 3 June - 9 June     | Lecture       | The Law of Treaties                                                                                                                                   |
| Week 3 : 10 June - 16 June   | Lecture       | United Nations Security Council Resolutions and Potential Impacts on Global or regional aviation                                                      |
| Week 4 : 17 June - 23 June   | Lecture       | Protection of the Environment                                                                                                                         |
| Week 5 : 24 June - 30 June   | Lecture       | Negligence and Torts                                                                                                                                  |
| Week 7 : 8 July - 14 July    | Lecture       | Operational Regulations and Regulatory Reform Within Australia                                                                                        |
| Week 8 : 15 July - 21 July   | Lecture       | Employment, Industrial Law including Discrimination and Harassment                                                                                    |
| Week 9 : 22 July - 28 July   | Lecture       | Work-Place Health and Safety                                                                                                                          |
| Week 10 : 29 July - 4 August | Lecture       | Resolving Conflict of Laws<br><br>Note: The class in week 10 will be held in UNSW Business School Room 105 from 2 pm to 6 pm on Wednesday, 31st July. |

**Attendance Requirements**

Please note that lecture recordings are not available for this course. Students are strongly encouraged to attend all classes and contact the Course Authority to make alternative arrangements for classes missed.

**General Schedule Information**

Please note that the lecture in Week 10 will be delivered in UNSW Business School Room 105 from 2 pm to 6 pm on Wednesday, 31st July.

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UNSW Aviation’s decision to not release Lecture Recordings:

The School of Aviation prides itself on offering education that supports students in their personalised learning journey. This involves providing opportunities for students to engage with

academics and key aviation experts to identify and address learning gaps, develop core skills and knowledge, and foster an environment of collaboration and meaningful discussion with the UNSW Aviation community. To support this vision, UNSW Aviation has decided to require students to attend all synchronous lectures (in-person or online) and not release class recordings to the student cohort. If students cannot attend a class and require learning support due to unforeseen circumstances, they should contact their Course Coordinator or Program Coordinator to discuss options for support and making up for missed class time.

Course Resources

Prescribed Resources

Prescribed text: Principles and Practice of International Aviation Law by Havel and Sanchez 2014 published by Cambridge University Press

Available at these links:

Print:

<https://www.bookshop.unsw.edu.au/details.cgi?ITEMNO=9781107697737>

Digital:

<https://unswbookshop.vitalsource.com/products/-v9781139861755>

Course Evaluation and Development

The myExperience Survey aims to boost student feedback, creating a continuous improvement culture by identifying, responding to, and acting on student feedback.

The course survey will open towards the end of Term. Students are encouraged to participate in the survey via Moodle, myUNSW, or through the direct myExperience link.

Please provide constructive feedback and focus on your learning experience in relation to the course material. While the survey is confidential, it is not anonymous. Comments that breach the Student Code of Conduct, that are hurtful, racist, sexist or ill natured, may lead to disciplinary action.

Staff Details

Position	Name	Email	Location	Phone	Availability	Equitable Learning Services Contact	Primary Contact
Convenor	David Chitty		Kensington campus		By appointment	No	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](#).

Academic Honesty and Plagiarism

Referencing is a way of acknowledging the sources of information that you use to research your assignments. You need to provide a reference whenever you draw on someone else's words, ideas or research. Not referencing other people's work can constitute plagiarism.

Further information about referencing styles can be located at <https://student.unsw.edu.au/referencing>

Academic integrity is fundamental to success at university. Academic integrity can be defined as a commitment to six fundamental values in academic pursuits: honesty, trust, fairness, respect, responsibility and courage. At UNSW, this means that your work must be your own, and others' ideas should be appropriately acknowledged. If you don't follow these rules, plagiarism may be detected in your work.

Further information about academic integrity, plagiarism and the use of AI in assessments can

be located at:

- The [Current Students site](#),
- The [ELISE training site](#), and
- The [Use of AI for assessments](#) site.

The Student Conduct and Integrity Unit provides further resources to assist you to understand your conduct obligations as a student: <https://student.unsw.edu.au/conduct>

Submission of Assessment Tasks

Penalty for Late Submissions

UNSW has a standard late submission penalty of:

- 5% per day,
- for all assessments where a penalty applies,
- capped at five days (120 hours) from the assessment deadline, after which a student cannot submit an assessment, and
- no permitted variation.

Any variations to the above will be explicitly stated in the Course Outline for a given course or assessment task.

Students are expected to manage their time to meet deadlines and to request extensions as early as possible before the deadline.

Special Consideration

If circumstances prevent you from attending/completing an assessment task, you must officially apply for special consideration, usually within 3 days of the sitting date/due date. You can apply by logging onto myUNSW and following the link in the My Student Profile Tab. Medical documentation or other documentation explaining your absence must be submitted with your application. Once your application has been assessed, you will be contacted via your student email address to be advised of the official outcome and any actions that need to be taken from there. For more information about special consideration, please visit: <https://student.unsw.edu.au/special-consideration>

Important note: UNSW has a “fit to sit/submit” rule, which means that if you sit an exam or submit a piece of assessment, you are declaring yourself fit to do so and cannot later apply for Special Consideration. This is to ensure that if you feel unwell or are faced with significant circumstances beyond your control that affect your ability to study, you do not sit an examination

or submit an assessment that does not reflect your best performance. Instead, you should apply for Special Consideration as soon as you realise you are not well enough or are otherwise unable to sit or submit an assessment.

Faculty-specific Information

Additional support for students

- [The Current Students Gateway](#)
- [Student Support](#)
- [Academic Skills and Support](#)
- [Student Wellbeing, Health and Safety](#)
- [Equitable Learning Services](#)
- [UNSW IT Service Centre](#)
- Science EDI Student [Initiatives](#), [Offerings](#) and [Guidelines](#)

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