



UNSW Course Outline

AVIA5001 Law and Regulations in Aviation - 2024

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General Course Information

Course Code : AVIA5001

Year : 2024

Term : Term 1

Teaching Period : T1

Is a multi-term course? : No

Faculty : Faculty of Science

Academic Unit : School of Aviation

Delivery Mode : Online

Delivery Format : Standard

Delivery Location : Kensington

Campus : Sydney

Study Level : Postgraduate

Units of Credit : 6

Useful Links

[Handbook Class Timetable](#)

Course Details & Outcomes

Course Description

The aviation industry is a highly regulated and legislated sector. In alignment with this, an aviation professional should be conversant with, and knowledgeable of, the law as it applies to the aviation industry. However, although aviation professionals are highly trained technicians or

managers, their training does not necessarily include significant knowledge and skills development in the law and legal systems.

In fact, most sections of the aviation industry there are no formal requirements for training in the law or legal systems. Of course, there is a myriad of rules and regulations in aviation that must be known but that does not equate to training in statutory interpretation or the like. The course provides students with the opportunity to start developing the skills needs to become an aviation professional knowledgeable in both aviation and the law through case-based learning delivered by industry experts and assessments exploring current aviation and legal issues.

Law and Regulation in Aviation focuses on providing a comprehensive overview of the regulatory structure of civil aviation in Australia and also an understanding of this structure within a legal context. The course focuses on the legal system within which this regulatory system operates and the powers, responsibilities and scope of the various aviation regulatory authorities. In particular, the subject will concentrate on providing a practical insight into the legal implications associated with various aviation personnel including the pilot-in-command.

Course Aims

The aim of this course is to provide students with an overview of the regulatory structure of civil aviation in Australia. The course also aims to support students in developing an understanding of the law and its relationship to the aviation regulatory regime, legal principles and concepts, as they apply to the aviation industry.

To ensure that students feel supported in embarking on their journey to become aviation professionals, the course provides various opportunities for active learning, discussion and reflection on concepts. These include guided discussions, podcasts, lectures, research case studies, and class presentations.

Course Learning Outcomes

Course Learning Outcomes
CLO1 : Describe the legal and regulatory structure of aviation in Australia.
CLO2 : Critique the legal implications associated with various aviation personnel including the pilot-in-command.
CLO3 : Reflect on the relationship of the law to the aviation regulatory regime, legal principles and concepts, as they apply to the aviation industry
CLO4 : Comment on how the Australian legal system has been developed over time, and how it responds and adapts to a changed environment.

Course Learning Outcomes	Assessment Item
CLO1 : Describe the legal and regulatory structure of aviation in Australia.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assignment 1 Final examination
CLO2 : Critique the legal implications associated with various aviation personnel including the pilot-in-command.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assignment 1 Final examination
CLO3 : Reflect on the relationship of the law to the aviation regulatory regime, legal principles and concepts, as they apply to the aviation industry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assignment 2 Assignment 1 Final examination
CLO4 : Comment on how the Australian legal system has been developed over time, and how it responds and adapts to a changed environment.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assignment 2 Final examination

Learning and Teaching Technologies

Moodle - Learning Management System

Learning and Teaching in this course

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This course aims to provide an academic environment in which students are actively engaged in the learning process. The course aims to be interesting, challenging and enjoyable. Student diversity in terms of experiences and learning styles is valued. A supportive environment is provided but there is an expectation that students will take responsibility for their own learning and also learn co-operatively with their peers. Student assessment is designed to reflect the learning outcomes and meaningful and timely feedback will be provided on coursework.

The online learning experience for this course is supplemented with the lecturer providing three (3) one hour **Zoom tutorial/workshops** held on the Monday (at 1600 Sydney time) of weeks 2, 6 and 10. *Week 2 Tutorial* will allow for an overview of the entire course and also initial feedback and response to the trial exercise provided during week 1 for students to gain individual feedback on what is required in the assessment exercises. *Week 6 Tutorial* enables feedback to Assignment 1 and *Week 10 Tutorial* a summary of the course and an overview of what to expect

in the Final Assessment. Although the tutorials are recorded and posted online all students are strongly encouraged to attend the tutorials online.

Assessments

Assessment Structure

Assessment Item	Weight	Relevant Dates
Assignment 1 Assessment Format: Individual	30%	Start Date: O Week Due Date: 17/03/2024 11:59PM
Assignment 2 Assessment Format: Individual	40%	Start Date: Week 1 Due Date: 2A: 31/03/2024 11:59PM OR 2B: 21/04/2024 11:59PM
Final examination Assessment Format: Individual	30%	Start Date: 26/04/2024 Due Date: 30/04/2024 11:59PM

Assessment Details

Assignment 1

Assessment Overview

You are required to submit your answers to the End of Unit exercises for Units 1 to 4 (inclusive) at the end of Week 5. The word limit for this assignment is 2000 words. Concepts assessed include Introduction to Aviation Law, the Australian Legal System, the Regulation of Aviation Law, and Contract Law/Torts.

Details of the assignment will be released during O Week of the course. Marks and written feedback will be provided within 10 working days of the submission deadline.

Course Learning Outcomes

- CLO1 : Describe the legal and regulatory structure of aviation in Australia.
- CLO2 : Critique the legal implications associated with various aviation personnel including the pilot-in-command.
- CLO3 : Reflect on the relationship of the law to the aviation regulatory regime, legal principles and concepts, as they apply to the aviation industry

Detailed Assessment Description

Hand in your answers to all the *Exercises* contained in Units 1 to 4 (inclusive).

Assessment Length

2,000 words

Assignment submission Turnitin type

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

Assignment 2

Assessment Overview

For this assignment, you must choose to submit your answers for ONE of the two following options:

Option 1: the End of Unit exercises for Units 5 to 7 (inclusive).

OR

Option 2: submit your answers to Units 8 to 10 (inclusive).

Answers for Option 1 must be submitted at the end of Week 7. Answers for Option 2 must be submitted at the end of Week 10.

The word limit for this assignment is 2000 words. You are required to submit your respective answers for either Option 1 or Option 2 as one combined Word document via Moodle.

Concepts assessed in this assessment include Torts, Employment Law, and Administrative Law.

Details of the assignment will be released during Week 1. Marks and written feedback will be provided within 10 working days of the submission deadline.

Course Learning Outcomes

- CLO3 : Reflect on the relationship of the law to the aviation regulatory regime, legal principles and concepts, as they apply to the aviation industry
- CLO4 : Comment on how the Australian legal system has been developed over time, and how it responds and adapts to a changed environment.

Detailed Assessment Description

Hand in your answers to all the *Exercises* contained in Units 5 to 7 (inclusive).

OR

Hand in your answers to all the *Exercises* contained in Units 8 to 10 (inclusive). You can begin the above exercises at any time you wish.

Assessment Length

2,000 words

Assignment submission Turnitin type

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

Final examination

Assessment Overview

For the final assessment, you are required to complete an online examination comprised of short answer questions, a legal “scenario” type question, and an essay style question. The examination will be made available to complete via Moodle during the UNSW Official Examination Period and will remain open for a total duration of 5 days, covering all topics in the course. Once you open the examination, you will be given 2 hours to complete the examination and one attempt. You cannot return to an incomplete attempt. Feedback is available through inquiry with the course convenor.

Details of the examination will be released in Week 9 of the course. The purpose of this assessment is to assess your understanding of the underlying principles of Law and Regulation in Aviation and will concentrate on assessing your grasp of legal concepts, and the application of legal principles to aviation scenarios and the aviation industry.

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- CLO4 : Comment on how the Australian legal system has been developed over time, and how it responds and adapts to a changed environment.

Assessment Length

1,500 words

Assessment information

Details will be released on Moodle.

Assignment submission Turnitin type

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General Assessment Information

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.

Unless otherwise specified, the following criteria will be applied in assessing your written work:

- Evidence of understanding of the legal concepts, theories and ideas developed in the subject;
- Ability to apply these concepts to situations from your own experience;
- Capacity to structure an exercise or assignment logically and limit it to the length required;
- Degree to which the material submitted for assessment addresses the specified or negotiated assignment requirements

Grading Basis

Standard

Course Schedule

Teaching Week/Module	Activity Type	Content
Week 1 : 12 February - 18 February	Topic	Unit 1: An Introduction to Aviation Law
Week 2 : 19 February - 25 February	Topic	Unit 2: The Australian Legal System Zoom Tutorial #1
Week 3 : 26 February - 3 March	Topic	Unit 3: The Regulation of Aviation Law
Week 4 : 4 March - 10 March	Topic	Unit 4: Contract Law
Week 5 : 11 March - 17 March	Topic	Unit 5: Tort
Week 6 : 18 March - 24 March	Topic	Unit 6: Employment Law Zoom Tutorial #2
Week 7 : 25 March - 31 March	Topic	Unit 7: Administrative Law
Week 8 : 1 April - 7 April	Topic	Unit 8: Criminal Law
Week 9 : 8 April - 14 April	Topic	Unit 9: Commercial Law
Week 10 : 15 April - 21 April	Topic	Unit 10: Airline Operations Zoom Tutorial #3

Attendance Requirements

Students are strongly encouraged to attend all classes and review lecture recordings.

General Schedule Information

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

All required texts can be found within the Course Reading List located in the AVIA5001 Moodle Course site.

Recommended Resources

The AVIA5001 course content refers largely to the Aviation Law & Regulations textbook, which is a good reference text for providing context to the learnings in this course. Information for obtaining physical and e-copies of this book through UNSW Library can be found in the Course Reading List. The specific readings referred to in the Units can also be found as a digital scanned copy in the Course Reading List.

The reference for this textbook is:

Bartsch, R. Aviation Law in Australia (6th Edition) Thomson Reuters, Sydney, 2024.

Course Evaluation and Development

UNSW Aviation highly value student feedback as a way to constantly improve course offerings, teaching excellence and the student experience. In AVIA5001, students are provided with opportunities, both informal feedback, via direct correspondence with the course convenor, forums, and Zoom sessions; and formal feedback, via myExperience Surveys. The availability of this feedback creates a culture of continuous improvement 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	Ronald Bar tsch				Anytime via email or arrange telecom or on-campus consultation	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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