IS THIS THE TOPIC FOR ME?

Would you like to know more about our legal system and how it functions? Are you passionate about justice and rights and freedoms? Do you like to argue and debate points, and search for precedent to support your argument? Well then, Legal Studies is the course for you!



"We find the defendant guilty on all charges and recommend he say sorry like he really really means it."



"When they ask, you say 'not not guilty.'
It'll be hilarious!"

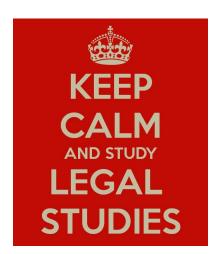


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HUMANITIES/LOTE DEPARTMENT

LEGAL STUDIES

"Law is Reason free from Passion" *Aristotle*



HSC COURSE

PRELIMINARY COURSE

PART I: THE LEGAL SYSTEM (40%)

PART II: THE INDIVIDUAL AND THE LAW (30%)

PART III: THE LAW IN PRACTICE (30%)

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PART I:CORE STUDY—CRIME (30%)

PART II: CORE STUDY—HUMAN RIGHTS (30%)

PART III: TWO OPTIONS (50% OF COURSE TIME)



The Preliminary Course develops students' knowledge and understanding of the nature and functions of law and law-making, the development of Australian and international legal systems, the Australian constitution and law reform. It examines an individual's rights and responsibilities, how disputes are resolved and examines a contemporary issue concerning the individual and technology. Students have the opportunity to investigate issues that illustrate how the law operates in practice. This is achieved by investigating, analyzing and synthesizing legal information and investigating legal issues from a variety of perspectives.



Legal Studies develops students' knowledge, understanding and critical thinking skills in relation to the legal system and its effectiveness in promoting a just and fair society, with a view to empowering students to participate effectively as responsible citizens at the local, national and international level.

