



Minutes

College Education Committee

Meeting No: 6/2022
Date/Time: 30 November 2022, 2pm
Location: Building 7, Law School, Room 7.3.9, Boardroom
Zoom

Attended	Wayne Morgan	Associate Dean (Education)
	James Stellios	Head of School
	Anne Macduff	Director, Teaching & Learning
	Ron Levy	Director, LLB(Hons) and JD programs
	Nicole King	Manager, Student and Education Support
	Sharon Elliott	Education Development
	Leonard Ho	PARSA Representative
	Eweha (Ellie) Jeong	PARSA Representative
	Russell Atkinson	Secretariat
Observers	Benjamin Kooyman	Learning Adviser, ANU Academic Skills
	Elaine Ee	Deputy Manager, Student and Education Services
	Tristan Yip	PARSA Representative
Apologies	Ntina Tzouvala	Director, PG Programs
	William Carey	ANUSA Representative

Part 1 Procedural Items & Chair's Report

1. Apologies & Announcements

1.1 Apologies

- Ntina Tzouvala Director, PG Programs
- William Carey ANUSA Representative

1.2 Announcements

N/A

2. Minutes and Matters arising

2.1 Minutes

CEC accepted the minutes of CEC 5/2022.

2.2 Action Items from CEC 5/2022

Reference	Action Item	Staff Responsible	Resolution
Item 4 CEC 5/2020	Wayne will coordinate a separate small working group to discuss what constitutes course content.	Wayne Morgan	Ongoing
Item 8.1 CEC 2/2022	The College Student Education Services team will work on the whole of college model for student course representatives for implementation in Semester One 2023.	CSES team	Ongoing PARSA has advised that they are available in February 2023 to assist with communications.
Item 6 CEC 5/2022	Chair to contact statistician regarding Scaling Policy	Wayne Morgan	Ongoing Wayne has made initial contact; however, January 2023 is the earliest availability for a meeting.

3. Report from the Chair

Teaching

The Chair noted the successful completion of the academic year for all our programs.

The LLB program has seen a return to campus in all courses with the exception of online facilitation for the very few LLB students who, for legitimate reasons, could not return to Canberra. Most of those students were put into JD tutorials for the compulsory courses as that program did remain online.

Attendance continues to be an area of concern as we are noting fewer student attending now than in pre-COVID times. This will be raised with the LSS in the early months of next year.

Under the amendments that came out of the LLB program review in 2019, we have just completed our first iteration of the new compulsory course, Legal Research and Writing. We will review this course to see how the course is tracking by looking at student and convener feedback and continue to make improvements to the course where appropriate.

Both the LLB and JD programs will be back on campus to commence 2023. This may cause some consternation for some JD students. Lectures will continue to be recorded with tutorials returning to campus.

The only exception to on-campus delivery will be the three remaining compulsory courses which are still subject to the JDO teach out schedule.

The Masters and Graduate Certificate programs will remain largely online. The exception will be for courses that are co-delivered with undergraduate courses and most of these will be delivered on campus.

TEQSA has recently published advice with respect to compliance with the ESOS framework. All higher education providers that have CRICOS registered courses with international student enrolments, must return to compliance with the ESOS National Code by 30 June 2023. We will need to recommence monitoring international student online enrolments in both the LLM program and for the JD electives.

Council of Australian Law Deans (CALD)

This year there has been substantial work by the college in preparing a submission to the Council of Australian Law Deans for the college's reaccreditation with the Council as a provider. Reaccreditation with CALD is particularly important for our college, and more so than some of the law faculties in other states and territories because we do not go through any accreditation process with local admission authorities. As such, it is always useful to have this exercise so we can reflect on whether we are meeting CALD standards.

The Chair thanked Sharon Elliott, Senior Education Developer, and Nicole King, CSES Senior Manager for their substantial work in putting this report together, as well as all

members of the college, both academic and professional, who contributed to the final documentation.

This report was sent earlier today (30 November).

Unfortunately, we have little information about how the submission will be assessed, or what the timelines will be. CALD has an ambitious project of reaccrediting all 40 Australian law schools over the next three years. With 15 schools per year we imagine it will take some time.

University Projects

Graduate Attributes

On 29 November 2022, Academic Board approved the DVCA's plans for the curriculum reform project. For this college, this concerns graduate attributes that apply to the LLB program.

Two of the three attributes are written into the LLB program learning outcomes, so we do have a head start.

The third attribute, Transdisciplinary Problem Solving, and indeed some of the work in mapping the first two (Critical Thinking & Indigenous Perspectives) will require increased work for the college in 2023. The mapping will show what we currently do, and how we will meet the graduate attributes in the future.

A number of the Associate Deans and others expressed concerns about timelines for completion by the end of 2023. As we only have one undergraduate program, it will be more than likely we will need to meet this deadline, even if other colleges are given more leeway.

Student First

This program is still in its early stages but has foreshadowed both a new Client Relationship Management system and a new Learning Management system.

Learning and Teaching Strategy

The Learning and Teaching Strategy is in place, although the practical consequences of this are not yet clear. 2023 will see a number of working parties on a number of aspects of the Strategy, and it may then become clear as to what any practical consequences will be for our degrees.

Part 2 Programs and Courses Accreditation

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4.1 Course Proposal

LAWS8338 Cryptoassets and the Law

- This course is being trialled as LAWS8148 Special Topic in Law for 2022 and 2023.
- The 2022 iteration is currently set to run online and will commence on 5 December. There are currently 24 enrolments, however, this is likely to change leading up to the census date. The 2023 iteration will also run as a Special Topic and is scheduled to commence online on 27 March 2023.
- This course will fit into the New Technology Specialisation.

CEC endorsed this course pending the correction of minor typographical errors.

4.2 Course Amendments

LAWS8800 Advanced Legal Methods and Legal Writing

- Change of Name from Advanced Introduction to Legal Methods and Legal Writing to Advanced Legal Methods and Legal Writing.
- Amendments to learning outcomes.
- Update the indicative assessment.

CEC endorsed the amendments pending the removal of all specialisations.

LAWS9800 Advanced Legal Methods and Legal Writing

- Change of Name from Advanced Introduction to Legal Methods and Legal Writing to Advanced Legal Methods and Legal Writing.
- Amendments to learning outcomes.
- Update the indicative assessment.

CEC endorsed the amendments, noting that the course name will need to be amended in the appropriate HDR Program Orders.

LAWS8316 International Nuclear Energy Law

- Change of Name from Nuclear Security Law to International Nuclear Energy Law.
- Amendments to learning outcomes.

CEC endorsed the amendments pending a quick review of the course indicative assessment. The committee also noted that a clarification on teaching staff was required. The course description notes “teaching with colleagues from Nuclear Sciences.” If this course is now co-taught with Science, the Head of School may need to investigate course financial arrangements further.

LAWS4228 Labour Law

- Amendments to Learning Outcomes.
- Removal of co-taught postgraduate course as this has now been disestablished.
Update the indicative assessment.

CEC endorsed the amendments pending a review of learning outcomes as it was noted that LOs one, two and three are similar.

LAWS8436 Succession

- Update to course requisites
 - Juris Doctor (MJD) and have completed or be completing five 1000 or 6100 level LAWS courses and *have completed or be completing LAWS2205/LAWS6205 Equity & Trusts and have completed LAWS2204/LAWS6204 Property.*
 - *This course requires students to have completed an Australian or equivalent Undergraduate Law Degree.* Students undertaking any ANU College of Law graduate program may apply for this course if they have the required law background. You will need to contact the ANU Law School to request a permission code to enrol in this course.

CEC endorsed the amendments pending a small amendment to the statement to “completed an Australian or equivalent Undergraduate or Postgraduate Law Degree.”

LAWS8454 Restitution

- Update to course requisites
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The following courses have been reviewed by the committee as a result of the 2021 course reviews.

LAWS8586 Law & Legal Institutions

The CEC has re-accredited this course for 5 years.

LAWS8234 International and Comparative Human Rights Law

The CEC has re-accredited this course for 5 years.

LAWS8182 Principles of International Law

The CEC has re-accredited this course for 5 years.

LAWS8329 Gender, Law and Development

The CEC has re-accredited this course for 5 years.

LAWS6700 Law Capstone Project

The CEC has not endorsed this course. Further work is required between the AD(E) and course convenor.

LAWS4245 Information Technology Law

The CEC has re-accredited this course for 5 years.

LAWS4210 Commercial Law

The CEC has re-accredited this course for 5 years.

LAWS4238 Indigenous Peoples and Law

The CEC has re-accredited this course for 5 years.

LAWS4225 International Law of Human Rights

The CEC has re-accredited this course for 5 years.

Part 3 Items for Discussion/Noting

5. 2023 CEC Dates

The committee has confirmed the 2023 College Education Committee dates ensuring they align with wider university committee dates and deadlines.

The secretariat will send calendar invitations prior to the end of 2022.

CEC 1/2023

- Wednesday 22 February 2023
- Aligns with AQAC 1 and Academic Board 2

CEC 2/2023

- Wednesday 22 March 2023
- Aligns with AQAC 2 & 3 and Academic Board 3
 - *Program/Plan variations for following year (2024)*
 - *Course Variations 2023 Final (2nd Half of Same Year)*
 - *2024 Course Proposals*

CEC 3/2023

- Wednesday 14 June 2023
- Aligns with AQAC 4 and Academic Board 4
 - *Specialisation Amendments*

CEC 4/2023

- Wednesday 19 July 2023
- Aligns with AQAC 5 and Academic Board 5
 - *Program Review*

CEC 5/2023

- Wednesday 9 August 2023
- Aligns with AQAC 6 & 7 and Academic Board 5
 - *Program/Plan – New or Disestablished UG for 2025*
 - *Course Variations 2024 Final (1st Half of following Year)*

CEC 6/2023

- Wednesday 4 October 2023
- Aligns with AQAC 8 and Academic Board 6

Part 4 Reports

6. Reports and Issues raised by Student Representatives

6.1 The committee received reports from Student Representatives

Law Students' Society (LSS)

- No Report

ANU Students' Association (ANUSA)

- No Report

Postgraduate and Research Students' Association (PARSA)

- PARSA have recommended adding the International Law specialisation to LAWS8254 Business and human rights.
 - The committee agreed, noting that specialisations can only be updated once a year and this change is already on the proposed updates for 2023.
- PARSA has offered to assist in communicating with postgraduate students for course representative implementation in Semester One, 2023.
- PARSA have asked the college to monitor JD timetabling, specifically to ensure there are tutorials scheduled after hours. There was also a request for hybrid teaching options.
 - The committee noted that we will continue to keep a watching brief on JD timetabling.
 - The chair explained that hybrid teaching options are currently not viable as the technology in teaching spaces is not yet suitable and that we also must be mindful of international student visa conditions around online learning limits.
- Concerns were raised around international student employability in Canberra. As a public service city, many jobs require citizenship, or at the very least, permanent residency.
 - The committee noted these concerns and recommended that students contact the Career and Employability team through enquiries.law@anu.edu.au. This team can assist with internship, clinical courses and employment opportunities as well as providing resume and career advice.

7. Reports from College Directors and Heads of School

7.1 The Committee received a report from College Directors and Head of School Head of School

- Noted we have come to the end of a successful year and thanked the College Student and Education Support team for the support provided to academic staff and students during the recent examination and results finalisation period.

- Recent changes in circumstances have resulted in some changes to course scheduling for 2023. These changes have now been largely completed.

Director - LLB/JD

- Seeking feedback on implementing a Research Specialisation. This specialisation would be designed to assist students who want a career in law academia. Further discussion and consultation will be held.

Director - LLM

- Nothing to report.

Part 5 Any Other Business / Forward agenda items

Next Meeting

Next Meeting CEC 1/2023. 23 February 2023

Action Items

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Item 6 CEC 5/2022	Chair to contact statistician regarding Scaling Policy	Wayne Morgan
Item 4.1 CEC 6/2022	LAWS8338 Cryptoassets and the Law Correction of the CMS -Course Structure, point 3: Incomplete sentence.	CSES team
Item 4.2 CEC 6/2022	LAWS8800 Advanced Legal Methods and Legal Writing Removal of all specialisations	CSES team
Item 4.2 CEC 6/2022	LAWS9800 Advanced Legal Methods and Legal Writing	CSES team HDR

	Amend course name in HDR Programs, Program orders.	
Item 4.2 CEC 6/2022	LAWS8316 International Nuclear Energy Law Update the indicative assessment.	CSES Team
Item 4.2 CEC 6/2022	LAWS8316 International Nuclear Energy Law Clarification on “teaching” split between Law and Science	HoS
Item 4.2 CEC 6/2022	LAWS4228 Labour Law Amendments to learning outcomes. Removal of co-taught postgraduate course as this has now been disestablished. Update the indicative assessment.	CSES Team
Item 4.2 CEC 6/2022	<i>LAWS8436 Succession</i> Amend statement to “completed an Australian or equivalent Undergraduate or postgraduate Law Degree.”	CSES Team
Item 4.2 CEC 6/2022	<i>LAWS8454 Restitution</i> Amend statement to “completed an Australian or equivalent Undergraduate or postgraduate Law Degree.”	CSES Team
Item 4.2 CEC 6/2022	<i>LAWS6700 Law Capstone Project</i> Further work is required between the AD(E) and course convenor.	ADE
Item 5 CEC 6/2022	Send out meeting invitations to committee members for 2023 meetings.	CSES Team