

Veterans' Law is allowed as a full credit to your Associate Degree in Law.

The Associate Degree in Law has a wide range of law and law based subjects available. You can mix and match many subjects to suit your own needs – contact the School of Law & Justice for a brochure detailing other courses offered.

BACHELOR OF LEGAL & JUSTICE STUDIES (BLJS)

You may also be able to articulate into the Bachelor of Legal & Justice Studies which will allow a full credit for all subjects successfully completed as part of the Associate Degree in Law or the Short Course. Any unit completed in the Short Course in Veterans' Law or the Associate Degree in Law earns a full credit towards your Bachelor's degree. The BLJS requires 24 units to be completed.

The Bachelor of Legal & Justice Studies also allows you to tailor the course to suit your time and educational needs. Flexibility is the keynote to Southern Cross University law courses. You can enter the BLJS through the Associate Degree in Law or make a direct application for entry.

ARTICULATION INTO OTHER DEGREES

Students who perform very well in our ADL or BLJS degrees can, on completion, apply to enter our Graduate Bachelor of Laws Degree (LLB).

HIGHER EDUCATION CONTRIBUTION SCHEME (HECS)

Details of HECS are automatically sent to you when you receive the University's offer of a place.

Full details are available at:

<http://www.hecs.gov.au>

PENSIONER EDUCATION SUPPLEMENT (PES)

Some students may be eligible for the Pensioner Education Supplement (PES). The PES provides eligible beneficiaries with an allowance of \$62.40 per fortnight to assist in defraying educational costs and is administered by the Commonwealth Department of Education, Training and Youth Affairs.

Full details are available at:

<http://www.centreflink.gov.au>

See also the Australian Taxation Office site at:

<http://www.ato.gov.au>

APPLICATION FORMS

Application forms to study at Southern Cross University are available from the University.

Phone: 02 6620 3109

Fax: 02 6622 4167

Email: law@scu.edu.au

COST

Certificate in Law:

Short Course in Veterans' Law: \$700.00 per unit

Associate Degree in Law: HECS

Bachelor of Legal & Justice Studies: HECS

School of Law & Justice

VETERANS' LAW

Legal Research & Writing

Veterans' Law I

Veterans' Law II

Law & Government Decision Making

These subjects can be taken as a Short Course or as electives in the Associate Degree in Law or Bachelor of Legal & Justice Studies.



VETERANS' LAW

The School of Law & Justice at Southern Cross University is pleased to present exciting new units in Veterans' Law from the comfort of your own office or home .

ABOUT US

Southern Cross University is a multi campus university situated in Northern New South Wales. The School of Law and Justice is new and vigorous with a commitment to the delivery of innovative programs in law, justice, paralegal studies and related disciplines.

The Law School's paralegal course was the first to be established in an Australian University in 1990 and continues to set the Australian benchmark for paralegal education.

The enthusiasm and overriding commitment of our staff to justice and equity, and their skills at distance delivery and teaching of the law, combine to enrich your learning experience. Qualified experts with relevant and current experience in the areas of veterans' and administrative law have developed the Veterans' Law units.

SHORT COURSE IN VETERANS' LAW

Southern Cross University's Veterans' Law Short Course comprises four core units designed for persons with an interest in veterans' legal issues. While this is not a University degree, you will receive a certificate of completion.

Your first and second units will be Legal Research & Writing and Veterans' Law I:

Legal Research & Writing

Researching Australian laws; methods of legal research; computerised legal research methods; secondary sources; finding cases; finding legislation; case law and the doctrine of precedent; legislation and interpretation; legal problem solving; writing style; academic writing; plain legal language; legal writing.

Veterans' Law I

History of veterans benefits; administration of veterans' entitlements in Australia; overview of veterans' entitlements; eligible service; Commonwealth's liability; medical concepts and terminology; onus and standards of proof; statements of principles; pension assessment; application of the Guide to the Assessment of Rates of Veterans' Pensions; intermediate and special rates of pension; claiming a benefit.

Your second semester will provide a Law & Government Decision Making unit, which will take you through the important elements of administrative law in Australia. Veterans' Law II will build on the teaching in Veterans' Law I with more advanced concepts, and introduce the Military Compensation Scheme.

Law & Government Decision Making

The roles of government agencies, tribunals, courts and the Ombudsman; administrative law concepts including procedural fairness, legitimate expectation, merits review and judicial review; the procedure for challenging administrative decisions; administrative law remedies; Freedom of Information Act 1982 (Cth); Privacy Act 1988 (Cth).

Veterans' Law II

Military Compensation Scheme; service pension overview; marriage-like relationships; invalidity service pensions; income and assets tests; preparing for Veterans' Review Board and Administrative Appeals Tribunal hearings; domicile and residence; offsetting pensions, compensation and damages; intermediate and special rates of pension (advanced); current issues in veterans' law.

ASSOCIATE DEGREE IN LAW (PARALEGAL STUDIES) (ADL)

Should you wish to study for the University's Associate Degree in Law (Paralegal Studies), taking the units in Veterans' Law, you can commence by enrolling direct with Southern Cross University. The Associate Degree in Law requires completion of 16 units of study for the award, and any unit completed in the Short Course in