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APPENDIX 2 - Assessment Rules

1. Application of these rules

These rules apply to all students enrolled in a Program or a Subject.

2. Participation requirements to be eligible for assessment

To be eligible for assessment in a Subject, you must attend and participate satisfactory in all activities referred to in the timetable and coursework materials.

3. Criteria for assessment

- 3.1 The assessment requirements for each Subject are described in the relevant Subject information page.
- To pass a Subject in a Program, you must satisfy the assessment requirements for that Subject at a pass grade or above.
- 3.3 To pass the PLT Program, you must:
 - pass each compulsory Subject of the Coursework Component
 - pass two elective subjects, and
 - complete the Work Experience Component and
 - complete the Continuing Professional Education Component.
- 3.4 To pass an Applied Law Program, you must pass all core Subjects and electives as required.
- 3.5 By submitting work for assessment you are warranting to the College that the work is your own. All sources and quotations should be properly acknowledged and referenced to avoid the implication that you may be presenting the work of others as your own. There are potentially very serious consequences for students found to have engaged in unsatisfactory academic conduct or academic misconduct, including exclusion from the PLT Program and, in appropriate circumstances, reference to the admitting authority in the relevant jurisdiction (see Chapter 3 of this manual).

4. Assessments in a Subject

The College conducts assessments at the times shown in the timetable. (These are the assessment components referred to in these rules). The College may reschedule the assessments. If it does, the Program Director will nominate the times for the assessments.

5. Completion of coursework in a Subject – PLT Program

- You must complete all coursework in a Subject within the time shown in the timetable. Failure to comply with time limits may affect your eligibility for assessment.
- If you are unable to submit any coursework, you may request an extension from your lecturer of up to 3 days. You must request the extension in writing and provide reasons. The lecturer has absolute discretion whether to allow the extension. Should you require an extension of more than 3 days, you must apply in writing to the Program Director,



- setting out your reasons and the date by which you propose to submit the relevant coursework. Approval is at the discretion of the Program Director.
- 5.3 If you fail to obtain an extension prior to the timetabled due date for submission, it is at the lecturer's discretion whether or not they provide feedback and the timeframe in which it is provided, if at all.

6. Grading in Subjects

6.1 The College will grade you in each subject in accordance with the following table:

Grade	Criteria
High Distinction	Comprehensive and deeply insightful understanding of the subject
Distinction	Very good and comprehensive understanding of the subject
Credit	A good understanding of the subject
Pass	An adequate understanding of the subject (in the PLT Program at the standard that would be expected of an entry-level lawyer)
Fail	An insufficient or incomplete understanding of the subject (in the PLT Program below the standard expected of an entry-level lawyer)

The Subject Lawyer's (Professional) Skills is assessed on a Satisfactory/Not Satisfactory basis.

6.2 Review of grading

Any student who is dissatisfied with a final grade awarded in a subject may apply in writing to the Program Director within 14 days of the publication of the result. The application must be accompanied by the non-refundable administrative charge.

The Program Director will advise the student of the outcome, including any alteration to the grade awarded, within 14 days of the application being received.

- 6.3 If you are dissatisfied with the determination of the Program Director you may appeal the decision to the Assessment Review Committee. Such appeal must be received in writing by the Manager Student Services within 7 days of the notification from the Program Director. If you want to make a submission based on illness or misadventure, your submission must include medical or other appropriate evidence.
- You may appear personally before the Assessment Review Committee and make oral submissions, or make submissions in writing.
- 6.5 If the Assessment Review Committee decides that the grade does not reflect your performance in a Subject, it may determine an alternative grade or defer your final assessment in the Subject until you complete such further work and assessments as the Assessment Review Committee sees fit.

7. Appeals Committee

- 7.1 You may appeal to the Appeals Committee against any decision of the Assessment Review Committee, but only on one or more of the following grounds:
 - the Assessment Review Committee has proceeded contrary to these rules



- the Assessment Review Committee has failed to consider information which you have put before it
- the Assessment Review Committee has misdirected itself
- the Assessment Review Committee has proceeded contrary to the principles of natural justice
- the assessment requirements or procedures were changed contrary to these rules.
- 7.2 You may appeal to the Appeals Committee against a finding that you have engaged in unsatisfactory academic conduct or academic misconduct, but only on one or more of the following grounds:
 - the Chief Academic Officer, proceeded contrary to these rules
 - the Chief Academic Officer, failed to consider information which you put before him or her
 - the Chief Academic Officer, misdirected himself or herself
 - the Chief Academic Officer, has proceeded contrary to the rules of natural justice.
- 7.3 Your appeal must:
 - be in writing
 - · clearly state the grounds of the appeal, and
 - be received by the College within 21 days of the date the College sends you notice of the decision against which you are appealing.
- 7.4 The Appeals Committee will send you written notice of the time, date and place of its meeting.
- 7.5 If you appeal, you have the right to appear personally before, and to address, the Appeals Committee, as well as the right to make a written submission to the committee.

8. External Appeals Panel

- 8.1 You may appeal to the External Appeals Panel against any decision of the Appeals Committee, including a decision relating to a finding of unsatisfactory academic conduct or academic misconduct, but only on one or more of the following grounds:
 - the Appeals Committee has proceeded contrary to these rules
 - the Appeals Committee has failed to consider information which you have put before
 - the Appeals Committee has misdirected itself
 - the Appeals Committee has proceeded contrary to the principles of natural justice
 - assessment requirements or procedures were changed contrary to these rules.
- 8.2 Your appeal must:
 - be in writing
 - · clearly state the grounds of the appeal, and
 - be received by the College within 21 days of the date the College sends you notice of the Appeals Committee's decision.
- In normal circumstances, an appeal to the External Appeals Panel will be via submission of written statements by the student and the chair of the Appeals Committee.



- 8.4 If you appeal, you may apply to appear personally before, and to address, the External Appeals Panel in addition to making a written submission. Permission to appear personally (or via video or teleconference) and to address the External Appeals Panel is not to be unreasonably withheld.
- 8.5 In normal circumstances, the External Appeals Panel will make its decision and advise you in writing of the decision within 14 days of receiving your written submission or of your appearance in person, whichever is the later.

9. Exemption from attendance requirements

- 9.1 The College may exempt you from attendance requirements where there are exceptional circumstances of medical or personal hardship.
- 9.2 If you want to make such an application, you must apply in writing to the Program Director.
- 9.3 If the College grants you an exemption, you must still comply with all the assessment criteria.

10. Plagiarism, collusion and cheating

10.1 All work which you submit for assessment or participation must be your own work unless otherwise directed by the College. Please read carefully the definitions of Plagiarism, Collusion, Cheating, unsatisfactory academic conduct and academic misconduct in the definitions section of this manual.

10.2 You must not:

- copy from or submit, or
- attempt to copy from or submit
- the work of another student, ex-student or any other person.
- 10.3 You must not permit another student, ex-student or prospective student to have access to or submit your work or any part of it.
- 10.4 You must not acquire or be in possession of or distribute assessment materials or marking guides for any assessment task.
- 10.5 The College may require you to certify that work which you submit for assessment or participation in the Program complies with these Rules.
 - In any case where copying or other Plagiarism, Collusion, Cheating or non-compliance with these Rules has occurred, refer to the Program Manual at 3.

11. Nomination of other officers, committees or boards

11.1 Any officers, committees or boards of the College authorised or required under these rules to exercise any authority, duty or responsibility may nominate another appropriately qualified officer or committee to exercise that authority, duty or responsibility.