

Wild Law: The Theory and Practice of Earth Jurisprudence

Summer School, Griffith University Law School

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Earth Jurisprudence is an emerging field of legal philosophy that critiques law and governance from an Earth centred perspective and proposes new approaches to law, economics and governance.

This course introduces students to selected ecological, social, ethical and legal issues that must be addressed by industrial societies if we are to respond to life threatening climate change and ecological destruction. It will examine existing and emerging Earth centred legal regimes in Ecuador, Bolivia, the USA and New Zealand, and enable students to analyse the potential of implementing Earth centred law in Australia. It will consider the implications of Earth Jurisprudence for Australian domestic law, including: property law, the doctrine of standing, constitutional law and 'traditional' environmental and planning law. It also introduces students to alternative legal frameworks being proposed and implemented by wild law advocates, including the Rights of Nature, Ecocide, Earth democracy and rights-based approaches to local environmental law making.

Over five days, students will engage with topics including:

- Earth jurisprudence and ecological law
- Earth centred critiques of nature as property and the commodification of nature, including indigenous world views and deep ecology perspectives
- Rights of Nature legislation and cases around the world
- Laws that recognise the sentience and rights of animals
- Environmental crime and Ecocide
- Environmental constitutionalism
- Law of the commons
- Law and governance for living within our ecological limits, including regulating consumption

This course will enable students to analyse and critique the current legal system and design new approaches to law and governance in the 21st Century.

For more information please email: education@earthlaws.org.au

For information about the course convenor, Dr Michelle Maloney, please visit this webpage: www.earthlaws.org.au/about-us/aela-team/michellemaloney/

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This subject is open to students of any discipline, legal practitioners and anyone interested in exploring Earth jurisprudence and the emerging field of Earth laws.

Griffith Students and students from other universities - please use **Course Code 5327LAW** on your enrolment forms. For all questions, contact Griffith University Student Administration - 07 3735 7700

Practitioners, continuing education students and others - law graduates, legal practitioners and all other people interested in taking this course are welcome to enrol. The course cost is \$1,350, but this is subject to change prior to November 2016. Contact Griffith University Student Administration on 07 3735 7700 or submit this form - https://www.griffith.edu.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0010/559792/STUD0030_Application-for-admission-to-a-single-course-of-study_v4.pdf