

Essay Two

Question: You have a choice of two questions for the second assignment:

1. **Australia is inadequately protecting human rights – we need a bill of rights to remedy this. Discuss.**
2. **Juries are not necessary in the Australian justice system – they should be removed. Discuss.**

Due date/time: 2 December 2016, 5pm.

Word count: 1500 words (inclusive of headings and content contained in the footnotes).

- Please do not include a reference list.
- You do not need to use the entire word count. However, a lower word count will be taken into consideration if your arguments require expansion and you failed to utilise the full word count.
- Here is the link to the Law School's procedures - <http://www.utas.edu.au/law/procedures>.
- The relevant procedures to access = 'Procedures Relating to Assessment Submission and Word Length' and 'Procedures Relating to Written Work'.
- Key things to note:
 - Your essays should be in 12 pt font, with 1.5/2.0 spacing.
 - There are penalties for exceeding the word count/incorrectly stating the word count/submitting your assignment after the due date and time.
 - There is no 10% leeway, the 1000 word limit is an exact limit.
 - The word count DOES include all words contained in the document (headings, citations, etc...)

Assistance with drafts

I can not look over your draft essay. However, I can provide you with general essay writing/research advice, and advice on your general essay planning. This is an exercise in independent learning – I am able to provide you with the tools you need to succeed (content overview, suggested resources, referencing skills guidance, writing skills guidance, etc...) but ultimately it is up to you how you decide to respond to the question and structure your argument. Please email Meg.Good@utas.edu.au if you have any questions about the essay.

Please listen to the Essay Two Workshop lecture on MyLO for guidance on how to approach the questions.

Sources

Please do not directly reference the lecture slides and recordings. You must reference published sources. Please listen to the academic integrity lecture recording for further guidance.

Referencing

I have created a thread in 'Discussions' on MyLO dedicated to 'Essay Two' questions. Please post referencing questions in the thread, and before asking a question read the conversation to see whether your query has already been addressed.

The appropriate referencing style for this unit is the *Australian Guide to Legal Citation* (3rd ed, 2010). It is available online (<http://www.law.unimelb.edu.au/mulr/aglc>), or for purchase in hard copy from the Co-op Bookshop.

You do not need to provide a reference list/bibliography (this would take up space in your word count, and I can already see your sources from your footnotes).

Please listen to the essay one referencing workshop lecture recording for further guidance.

Submission

All assignments must be submitted in accordance with the Faculty's Procedures by the due date/time, online via MyLO with a completed cover sheet.

A word version of the cover sheet is available on MyLO under 'Assessment' under 'Content'.

You can either include this in your document, or submit it as a separate document.

Please submit your assignment as a word document to Dropbox in MyLO.

If you do not think you can make the deadline, please contact me as soon as possible.

Checklist

1. Have you attempted to 'mark' your essay according to the marking rubric provided in the Unit Guide?
2. Have you answered the question?
3. Have you taken a position in response to the question?
4. Have you checked your essay for spelling/grammar/formatting errors?
5. Have you structured your essay so that there is a clear introduction, body and conclusion?
6. Have you used headings?
7. Have you supported your statements with evidence/examples/references?

8. Have you maintained a consistent argument throughout your essay?
9. Have you referred to a variety of sources (for example, not just the text and the required readings)?
10. Have you complied with the word limit?
11. Have you correctly declared your word count?