Objectives:
• Examine international finance law and practice in the face of the credit crunch.
• Discuss actual transactions with a focus on practice in developing markets.

Content:
• Derivatives.
• Various types of notes.
• Securitisation and fund structures, both from a structuring and documentation perspective.
• Major developments in credit crunch litigation.

Timetable:
British Institute of International & Comparative Law (BIICL), London, United Kingdom
2-3 & 6-7 September 2010

Assessment:
Class Participation (10%)
+ 1 x 8,000 Word Essay (90%)

Assumed Knowledge:
Affinity with the financial markets is advisable, relevant experience a plus. When in doubt, candidates are advised to contact the Unit Coordinator.

Legal Professional Development (LPD)
You can enrol in this unit on an LPD basis. Continuing Legal Education is a requirement of the Law Society of New South Wales. Practising solicitors are required to obtain 10 units of MCLE annually in order to maintain registration as a legal practitioner. Continuing Professional Development is also a requirement of the New South Wales Bar Association. Barristers are required to accrue 10 points each practising certificate year. Seminars, courses and units of study offered under Sydney Law School’s LPD Program meet the necessary requirements of both the Law Society of New South Wales and the New South Wales Bar Association in relation to their individual members.

Single Unit Enrolment
You can enrol in this subject on a single unit or non-award basis if you do not wish to commit to a Masters or Graduate Diploma. You can continue to add units via this method and, provided you meet the relevant requirements, you can also qualify for a Graduate Diploma or Masters if you so wish.

Cross-Institutional Study/Reciprocal Arrangements
Candidates in other faculties at the University of Sydney or at other universities can enrol in this unit, subject to approval by the Associate Dean (Postgraduate Coursework) and their home institution.

Accommodation
The British Institute for International and Comparative Law is situated in the heart of Bloomsbury on the north side of Russell Square on the corner of Bedford Way. The nearest London Transport tube stations are Russell Square (Piccadilly line), Euston (Northern and Victoria lines), Euston Square (Circle and Metropolitan lines) and Goodge Street (Northern Line). The following public bus services stop in Russell Square: 7, 68, 91, 168 and 188. Wheelchair access to the building is available via a ramp from street level down to floor L1. Bloomsbury has a number of reasonably priced accommodation options, including LSE Passfield Hall, The Penn Club and Goodenough Club. Further accommodation information will be published in due course.

Tuition Fee:
$3,630

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