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# AUSTRALIA PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT LAWS, BUILDING REGULATIONS AND PLANNING

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# PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Property development in Australia operates under a complex web of federal, state, and local government regulations, each with its own unique requirements. Navigating this multi-tiered system often results in discrepancies and overlapping rules, making compliance a significant challenge for developers.

This certified program will provide you with a comprehensive understanding of the complex and ever-evolving property development laws, building regulations, and planning processes in Australia at the federal, state, and local levels. You will delve into a wide range of crucial topics, including **state and federal Planning and Environment laws, National Construction Code, specific state regulations like the Queensland Development Code and New South Wales Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, as well as state specific Land Acquisition Laws** equipping you with a well-rounded understanding of the legal framework governing property development. This program will also emphasize **state and local government laws and regulations**, focusing on their unique aspects and nuances in implementation, helping you comprehend the interplay between federal, state, and local laws.

Beyond understanding the laws, this program will teach you how to create and implement property development strategies that fully comply with relevant legislation. You'll gain the skills to conduct **environmental impact assessments, obtain necessary approvals, and establish effective compliance management systems**. Moreover, you'll delve into vital topics such as **property development feasibility and risk assessment, the development approval process, property contracts, dispute resolution, real estate financing, and taxation**.

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By completing this program, you will not only enhance your knowledge of Australia’s property development laws and processes, but you’ll also be able to integrate best practices into your organization’s development strategies. This will ensure compliance, sustainability, and success in the competitive property development landscape.

Upon successful completion of the program, you will attain the **Certification in Australian Property Development Laws**, enhancing your professional credentials and signifies your expertise in navigating Australia’s complex property development landscape, solidifying your reputation as a leader and enhancing your career prospects. This industry-recognized certification has lifelong validity, and serves as a professional benchmark, attesting to your expertise and commitment to excellence in this specialized field.

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# KEY SKILLS YOU WILL GAIN

## From This Program



**AUSTRALIAN PROPERTY LAW  
AUSTRALIAN PLANNING DEVELOPMENT LAWS  
AUSTRALIA FEDERAL STATE AND LOCAL  
REGULATIONS**

**ZONING LAW INTERPRETATION  
REGIONAL VARIATIONS IN STATE DEVELOPMENT  
LAWS  
MULTI-STATE PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT**

**ZONING AND LAND USE REGULATION  
COMPLIANCE  
DEVELOPMENT CONTROL PLANS (DCP) AND  
LOCAL APPROVALS**

**LOCAL AND NATIONAL STANDARDS IN PLANNING  
PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT IN LOCAL DEVELOPMENT  
PROJECTS  
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENTS (EIA)  
DEVELOPMENT FEASIBILITY STUDIES**

**PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT RISKS IDENTIFICATION  
PROPERTY CONTRACTS MANAGEMENT**

# YOUR FACULTY DIRECTOR



## Angus Witherby

Distinguished Authority in Australian Planning & Development

With over 30 years of experience, Angus Witherby is a distinguished authority in Australian planning and development. Since founding the reputable Wakefield Planning consultancy in 1992, he has become an influential voice in land use policy and governance. His **15-year academic tenure pioneered an integrated pedagogy at the University of New England, where he led courses on development assessment, transportation planning, and disaster resilience.** His expertise is reflected in his courses at UNE, which include **'Development Assessment for Land Use Planners'** and **'Access and Mobility – Transportation Planning', among others.** Furthermore, by advising distinguished firms nationwide, Angus has cultivated **practical mastery spanning local operations, performance-based codes, zoning frameworks, and environmental planning.** With such far-reaching discernment, he has shaped the policy landscape - his career defining the pinnacle of insight and innovation in Australian planning. His career is a testament to his deepseated expertise and pioneering spirit in the realm of Australian planning and development law, marking a lasting influence in the field.

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# PROGRAM AGENDA

## **MODULE 1 - INTRODUCTION TO AUSTRALIAN PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT LAW**

- Overview of Property Law in Australia
- Federal, State, and Local interactions
- Overview of the Key Legal Frameworks and Statutes
- Role of Common Law in Property Development
- Social and Professional Context for Development

## **MODULE 2 - STATE AND TERRITORY LEGISLATION**

- Understanding Regional Variations in Property Development Law
- Comparative Analysis of State Laws (NSW, Victoria, Queensland)
- Case Studies and Practical Examples of Multi-State Developments
- Navigating Approvals in Multi-Jurisdictional Contexts

## **MODULE 3 - THE ROLE OF THE PRIVATE SECTOR IN PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT**

- The Private Sector as an Economic Engine
- Institutional and Financial Contexts of Property Markets

- Government vs Private Sector Roles
- Ethical Guidelines and Best Practices in Development

## **MODULE 4 - LAND USE PLANNING**

- Key Aspects of the Land Use Planning System – Federal, State and Local
- Typology of Assessment Systems
- Project Approval Pathways – Comparative Study
- Relationship Between Planning and Building Systems

## **MODULE 5 - ENVIRONMENTAL AND HERITAGE LAWS**

- Environmental Impact Assessments (EIA) and Approvals Pathways
- Biodiversity Conservation – Comparative Study
- The Role of Heritage Laws – Sites and Precincts
- Constraints and Opportunities for Heritage Sites

## **MODULE 6 - DEVELOPMENT FEASIBILITY AND RISK ASSESSMENT**

- Evaluating Development Viability and Risk

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- Financial Feasibility Studies and Cash Flow Management
- Risk Identification, Mitigation Strategies, and Compliance
- Legal and Regulatory Considerations in Feasibility Studies

## **MODULE 7 - THE PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT APPROVAL PROCESS**

- Pre-Lodgement Consultations and Planning Applications
- Stages of the Development Assessment Process
- Managing Objections, Amendments, and Related Regulatory Approvals
- Working with Assessment Staff and Role of Political Engagement

## **MODULE 8 - BUILDING REGULATIONS AND STANDARDS**

- National Construction Code (NCC) and State Variations
- Understanding the Relationship between the NCC and Key Australian Standards
- Overview of Key Standards: Construction, Accessibility, Natural Hazards and Sustainability Standards
- Construction Certification

## **MODULE 9 - PROPERTY CONTRACTS AND DISPUTE RESOLUTION**

- Legal Aspects of Property Contracts
- Drafting and Negotiating Development Agreements
- Managing Contractual Disputes and Alternative Dispute Resolution
- Joint Ventures, Special Purpose Vehicles, and Other Options

## **MODULE 10 - REAL ESTATE FINANCE AND TAXATION**

- Options for Financing Property Developments (Bank and Non-Bank Vehicles)
- Tax Implications, Government Grants, and Incentives
- Project Financial Performance and Ongoing Feasibility Analysis
- Commonwealth Roles in Taxation and Corporate Development Vehicles

## **MODULE 11 - SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT**

- Sustainability Policies and Practices
- Green Building Initiatives and Certifications
- Financial Implications of Environmental Management





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## MODULE 12 - TECHNOLOGICAL ADVANCES IN PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT

- Leveraging Digital Tools for Project Planning, Design and Documentation
- Technology and Project Management (BIM, PropTech)
- Implications of New Materials and Processes
- Emerging Role of Artificial Intelligence

## MODULE 13 - RISK MANAGEMENT IN PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT

- International Standards for Risk Management
- Risk Appetite and Risk Tolerance
- Embedding Risk Management in the Development Processes
- Reviewing Case Studies of Failed Projects and Lessons Learned

## MODULE 14 - PUBLIC AND STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

- Engaging with Communities and Stakeholders
- Understanding Social License and its Importance
- Managing Public Opinion and Issues Management
- Ethical Influence and Political Considerations in Development

## MODULE 15 - LESSONS LEARNED AND FUTURE OUTLOOK

- Key Takeaways from the Program
- Next Steps for Professional Development in Property Development
- Future Trends and Opportunities in Australian Property Markets

# YOUR CHARTER DESIGNATION



Chartered Institute of Professional Certifications' programs are unique as they provide you with professional charter designations and marks that can be used across your lifetime once you have completed our programs.

Upon successfully attending this program, you will be awarded with the **Certification in Australian Property Development Laws**, that can be used in your resume, CV and other professional credentials. This certification is industry-recognized with lifelong validity. Globally demanded and recognized, this certification highlights your proficiency in mastering the intricacies of Australian property development laws, guaranteeing adherence to building regulations, and skillfully navigating environmental and planning considerations across various jurisdictions. This program is developed by **Chartered Institute of Professional Certifications** and the content of this program has been certified by **CPD Certification Service** as conforming to continuing professional principles.

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