





CASTAN CENTRE HUMAN RIGHTS CLINIC

Unit: LAW4811 (6 credits)

Next Clinic: 21 August - 24 November 2023

What does the Castan Centre Human Rights Clinic involve?

The Castan Centre Human Rights Clinic offers law students with an interest in human rights the opportunity to conduct policy and advocacy work on behalf of a client organisation with support and guidance from Castan Centre staff.

The Clinic provides an opportunity for students to conduct research with real impact on the work of the organisations involved and gives students professional experience in the human rights field. It forms part of the 6 credit unit LAW4811 ('In-House Placement') and will run once a week for a period of 12 weeks.

How is the Clinic different from the Castan Centre Internships?

The Clinic is different from the Castan Centre In-house Internships (LAW4803). The Clinic engages students in practical human rights work. Students work in small teams with external clients (such as domestic or international human rights organisations) on one or more policy or advocacy projects. For example, previous Clinic teams have been involved in drafting submissions to parliamentary inquiries or preparing reports to UN entities.

The focus of Clinic projects depends on the requirements of client organisations and may vary. Both programs offer valuable experience for a career in the human rights field.

How are Clinic students assessed?

The Human Rights Clinic is assessed in the same way as other In-house Clinics under the unit LAW4811. For further information about what this will entail, students are welcome to contact Castan Centre staff (see relevant contact details at the bottom of this flyer).

How can students apply for the Clinic?

The Castan Centre Human Rights Clinic runs on the clinical period timetable. The first 2021 Clinic will run between 21 August - 24 November 2023.

Interested students who wish to be considered for a Clinic placement should apply online by completing the form available on this webpage. The application period for the August- November 2023 Clinic is open from 16 June - 17 July 2023.

Become part of the Castan Centre community

Castan Centre student alumni form part of our growing network of students, academics and professionals working with the common aim of promoting human rights in Australia and overseas.

Want to know more about the Human Rights Clinic and other Castan Centre student programs?

For more information about the Castan Centre and its student programs, you can visit the Castan Centre website, blog or social media channels.

Students are also encouraged to contact Castan Centre Clinic Supervisor (gina.bekker@monash.edu) with any questions about the Human Rights Clinic.