The Clinical Placement is an ‘umbrella’ unit that houses a number of different placement opportunities. In order to be eligible for enrolment, students must complete a number of prerequisites (see the Unit Handbook for more information). Students may only complete one placement during the course of their degree. The available placements differ between semesters. This page may be updated from time to time as new or additional placements become available, so check back regularly!

To find out more about each placement, click on the placement name below.

**PRE-REQUISITE UNITS**

For students who commenced their LLB (Hons) course in 2015 or later:

LAW1111; LAW1114; LAW1112; LAW1113; LAW2101; LAW2102; LAW2112; LAW2111

For students who commenced their LLB course prior to 2015:

LAW1100 OR LAW1101 and LAW1102 or LAW1104; LAW2100 OR LAW2101 and LAW2102; LAW2200 OR LAW2201 and LAW2202; LAW3300 or LAW3301 and LAW3302.

For JD students:

The achievement of at least twelve units or 72 credit points towards the Master of Laws (Juris Doctor) to include: LAW5000, LAW5001, LAW5002, LAW5003, LAW5004, LAW5005, LAW5006, LAW5007 or equivalent.

In addition, students intending to undertake any of the following clinics:

- Sexual Assault Clinic
- Family Violence Clinic

must have completed LAW4328 (or LAW5216), LAW4330 (or LAW5218) or LAW5050. In other clinics preference for a placement will be given to students who have completed these units.

Specific placements may have further pre-requisites. Please see the Placement description for a list of these units.

**ASSESSMENT**

Depending on the work being performed and the agreement entered into with the industry partner, the assessment for this unit will be comprised of a minimum of two assessment criteria selected from:

- Performance of responsibilities at placement, provided by a host supervisor report based on a Faculty supplied rubric: 30-80%
- Research paper: 20-70%
- Video presentation: 20-60%

As the combination of assessments will vary by agreement the industry partner, the weight of each assessment task will also vary. All assessments will total 100%. In the case of PG students participating in this unit, PG word count tariffs will apply for the research paper element.
After discussion with the student and industry partner, a decision will be made by the designated member of Law Faculty staff as to the appropriate balance of the above assessment tasks and the marking weight of each assessment task to be performed.

In addition, students will be required to complete a seminar program – this will be a hurdle requirement

- 1 Induction seminar (compulsory 3 hours face to face) – 12 March 2019
- 3 online seminars (each approx. 30 minutes on demand)


Applications are made through In Place using the [LAW 4803 Application Form](#)

**Law Firms**
- [Gilchrist Connell](#) (Insurance Law)
- [King & Wood Mallesons](#) (Corporate Social Responsibility)
- [Holding Redlich](#) (Human Rights, in conjunction with Castan Centre)
- [McDonald Murholme](#) (Employment Law)
- [Media Art's Lawyers](#)
- [Stary Norton Halphen](#) (Criminal Law)

**In House Legal**
- [Carlton & United Breweries](#)
- [Crowd & Co](#) (IT Start up)

**International (run out of Monash Law Clinics Melbourne CBD premises)**
- [TradeLab (International Trade)](#)
- [Anti Death Penalty Clinic](#)

**Courts**
- [Supreme Court](#)
- [County Court](#)

**Community Legal**
- [AED Legal Centre](#) (specialising in legal services to clients with a disability)
- [Family Violence Clinic](#)
- [JobWatch](#)
- [South East Centre Against Sexual Assault](#) (SECASA)
- [Victorian Legal Aid](#)

**Government/Governance**
- [Australian Law Reform Commission](#)
- [Public Transport Ombudsman](#)
- [Victorian Ombudsman](#)

**GENERAL INFORMATION – FAQ's**

**How many credit do you get for LAW 4803?**
6 Credit Points.

**How long is the placement?**
No less than one day/week for a period of 12 weeks for local placements

**What is the timing of the placement?**
Placements are run all year round according to LLB Clinical Periods NOT Semesters. Please see the CLE website for Clinical Period timeframes. There are 3 LLB Clinical Periods per year

**Do I need to have completed pre-requisite Units?**
Yes, so placements require you to have completed certain Units. Look at the specific placement description for more details.

**How do I apply?**

Applications are made through In Place using the [LAW 4803 Application Form](#).

**Can I do more than one placement in my course?**

You can only complete one placement under LAW 4803, however you can go on and take a Work Integrated Learning Placement (LAW 4810/LAW 5057), Professional Practice (LAW 4328/LAW 5050) or Family Law Assistance Program (LAW 4330).

**How is my application assessed?**

All applications are assessed after the closing date. Selection will be based on a combination of the Cover Letter, CV (interests and experience) and course marks (WAM). For some placements, the host organisation may wish to interview a shortlist of applicants and contribute to the final selection.
PLACEMENT DETAILS

AED LEGAL CENTRE

IMPORTANT NOTE: This placement is for 1 day/week for 15 weeks and there is a compulsory induction on Thursday 28 Feb at 10.30am at AED offices. Please do not apply if you cannot attend this session

AED Legal Centre is a legal advocacy program established by the Association of Employees with Disability Inc. (AED). The Centre provides free legal advocacy to people with a disability in the areas of employment, education and training. The Centre is a member of the Federation of Community Legal Centres of Victoria.

Legal advocacy is conducted by Kairsty Wilson, solicitor and manager of the Centre who is supported by paralegal staff. We also have a Wednesday night service staffed by volunteer law students and pro-bono legal practitioners and supervised by Kairsty.

Why we exist
AED's main objective is to protect and advance the rights of people with disability who experience difficulties and/or discrimination in employment or education because of their disability.

What we do

- Advocate workplace solutions on behalf of employees with disability;
- Educate employees with disability about their rights and employment law – so that they can make better informed decisions;
- Draft complaints of discrimination or unlawful dismissal;
- Provide legal representation at the Australian Human Rights Commission, Federal Court of Australia, Federal Magistrates Court, Fair Work Commission,
- Assist employees on how to disclose their disability to employers

Students will work under supervision of the legal staff as well as under supervision of the Legal Manager and Legal Practitioner at all times. The range of work students can expect include client interviews, preparing documents and conducting research. There will also be other opportunities for students to gain legal experience, such as attending conciliations, mediations and hearings. However, this will largely depend on the needs of our clients at the time of your placement.

For students considering their professional placement with us, an interest in working with people with disability is essential.

Duties of the placement might include.

- Taking notes during client initial interviews.
- Ensure introductory materials are provided and client instructions are recorded.
- Summarizing client issues.
- Taking a chronology or client statement
- Attending and taking notes at client meetings.
- Filing paperwork for various files
- Attend court to file documents or instruct
- Drafting applications to FWA under guidance of staff and lawyers
- Drafting letters, using precedents and own initiative.
- Preparing consent orders, complaints to VCAT/AHRIC using precedents.
- Attend conciliations, mediations and hearings
- Closing files using checklist
- Researching cases for solicitors and barristers.

**Anti Death Penalty Clinic**

In 2017, 23 countries actively carried out state sanctioned executions, many in our local region. The Anti-Death Penalty Clinic partners students with local NGO Reprieve Australia to undertake anti-death penalty advocacy. Working with partner organisations in the USA, Indonesia and the Philippines, students will work on active death penalty files or related submissions, developing and utilising a variety of legal skills including preparing case work for trials and drafting briefs to be used in international diplomacy efforts.

**Course Description:**

Students will work in small groups under the close supervision of a Clinical Supervisor to undertake research and analysis of current death penalty cases, assisting with legal teams in the USA and Indonesia. Students will also have the opportunity to assist with human rights advocates in the Philippines; undertaking research and drafting submissions to be filed in accordance with the UN Human Rights Council’s procedures for Universal Periodic Review. A series of seminars conducted by local anti-death penalty practitioners, Reprieve Australia and other key actors, will provide students with a substantive background in the current state of anti-death penalty advocacy and the relationships between NGOS, governments and the United Nations. Seminars will also address vicarious trauma, case strategy and brief drafting skills.

*When determining whether to apply for the anti-death penalty Clinic, students should consider their ability to engage with difficult and, at times, confronting subject matter.*

**Australian Law Reform Commission**

Justice Sarah Derrington, president of the Australian Law Reform Commission (www.alrc.gov.au) has offered 2 places for students to work with the ALRC on some of their current inquiries.

The Australian Law Reform Commission is a federal agency that reviews Australia’s laws to ensure they provide improved access to justice for all Australians by making laws and related processes more equitable, modern, fair and efficient.

Your work would include research and other written tasks, with the opportunity to attend consultation meetings (if held in Melbourne) as well as contribute to law reform papers and reports. You would be supervised by a member of Monash Academic staff with direct oversight from Justice Derrington.

This is a very limited opportunity that will only be offered to selected students. The Placement location will be at Monash Law Clinics Melbourne (at Monash Chambers, 555 Lonsdale St)

**Carlton & United Breweries**

Carlton & United Breweries (CUB) is one of the most iconic companies in Australia with its history dating back to 1832. In 2011, CUB joined the SABMiller group, the second largest brewer in the world. As of October 2016, they are now a part of the Anheuser-Busch InBev family. CUB is a part of AB InBev, the leading global brewer that sells over 400 brands across 100 markets and employing 200,000 people. Students participating in this placement program will work with Legal Directors on site, one day per week. Students will undertake a practical placement in the Legal & Corporate Affairs team at CUB, Melbourne CBD Office, which is responsible for the Asia Pacific South zone comprising Australia, India and South East Asia. What you’ll be doing: At CUB Offices, under supervision by
qualified solicitors, students will support the Legal Directors of Commercial, Corporate & Compliance and Operations for a range of activities including:

- providing legal advice to the business, including functions such as Commercial, Sales, Marketing, Finance, Tax, Supply, Logistics, Procurement and People;
- supporting on strategic files that may include mergers and acquisitions, divestments and strategic alliances;
- managing the IP portfolio of the CUB business and providing broader support in the management of IP issues;
- supporting the Sales and Marketing Compliance Committee in reviewing and approving all consumer facing material;
- assisting with compliance reviews, training and investigations that assess and protect against bribery, corruption, competition and regulatory risks; and
- advising in relation to employment law and industrial relations issues.

County Court of Victoria
Students participating in this placement program will work with judges and other judicial staff members of the County Court of Victoria as well as faculty members from Monash University. Students will attend the County Court of Victoria for six full days across the semester. This is comprised of: (1) part one of the placement, where the student attends one day a week, for four consecutive weeks, working with a judge/in judge’s chambers; and (2) part two of the placement, where the student (separately) attends Court for a further two full days to observe hearings as part of their private study in preparation for the completion of their research paper. The research paper must be written on procedural and/or legal issues arising out of their observations of a specific case/s observed in part two of the placement. Places in this placement program provide an opportunity to high performing law students from the Faculty of Law to gain experience at the County Court of Victoria. Places are very limited; successful candidates must submit an online application and attend an interview, if shortlisted. This placement program will include the following activities:

- Assisting judges and other judicial staff in Judges’ Chambers at the Supreme Court of Victoria with: o drafting speeches; o preparing case summaries; and o legal research;
- Assist Judges’ Associates in other legal and administrative duties in Chambers and Court as directed.

Crowd and Co Placement
Crowd & Co is start-up tech company that operates a digital ecosystem for the Australian legal sector. Having launched a two-sided commercial legal marketplace in 2016, Crowd & Co is about to launch the first independent online community for lawyers globally. This opportunity will involve work in generating content (planning, procuring and creating), networking members and developing member channels, industry promotion, and diversifying the interest touch points on the platform. There’s potential to liaise with professionals from across the legal industry about their needs and pain points, and helping them enhance their practice through the network. There will also be opportunities to work on ideas for activating the graduate/paralegal/lawyer-in-waiting community with this platform and connecting them to industry. Of course one of the joys of start-up land is that, whatever your job description, you’re never far from the action of everything else in the business. So expect some level of exposure to strategy, business planning, marketing and stakeholder engagement.
Family Violence Placement

In this placement, students provide assistance to victims of family violence. This clinic is designed for students who are interested in assisting victims of family violence by attending the court on family violence list days and assisting the duty lawyer and to help clients make victims of crime applications to the Victims of Crime Tribunal. The clinic is based at Springvale Monash Legal Service. Activities include: • Providing legal information, advice and support to victims of family violence; • Attendance at the Dandenong Magistrates’ Court on a weekly basis, where we provide duty lawyer support and representation to people with family violence matters; • Assisting in the preparation of compensation applications to the Victims of Crime Assistance Tribunal (VOCAT), in accordance with the Victims of Crime Assistance Act; • Liaising with expert witnesses (e.g. psychologists and psychiatrists) to obtain reports in support of applications to VOCAT; • Briefing of barristers and attendance at VOCAT hearings; • Assistance and ongoing legal casework in a range of related areas, which might include: the preparation of a divorce application (this may include an opportunity to represent the applicant in a divorce hearing), preparation of a new will, etc.

Pre-requisite Units: LAW4328 (or LAW5216), LAW4330 (or LAW5218) or LAW5050

Gilchrist Connell

Gilchrist Connell is a vibrant niche insurance law firm with deep industry knowledge and breadth of experience. Our fresh approach to providing legal services is what sets us apart from the rest.

For the most part, insurance law involves civil defence work. That is, acting for individuals and companies defending a very wide variety of civil claims against them, paid for by insurers. We act for and advise insurers, brokers, underwriting agencies, self-insureds, insureds and businesses operating nationally and internationally across most lines of insurance. We are the first Australian law firm to join forces with exclusive international law firm network The Harmonie Group, giving us access to insurance law expertise in 31 countries.

Gilchrist Connell was recognised as the Insurance Law Firm of the Year at the Lawyers Weekly Australian Law Awards in 2016. We were Insurance Specialist Firm of the Year Finalists at the Australasian Law Awards in 2017 and again in 2018. We continue to be ranked in Chambers & Partners Asia Pacific as a leading insurance firm. Best Lawyers has recognised 16 of our leading senior lawyers across each of our five offices in the current edition of The Best Lawyers in Australia.

Duties of the placement might include:
• Taking notes during client consultations
• Filing paperwork for various files
• Going to court to file documents or instruct
• Opening files using checklist
• Closing files using checklist
• Indexing litigation files
• Drafting applications to FWA under guidance of lawyers/more experienced research assistants
• Drafting letters of demand using precedents
• Taking a chronology or client statement and ensuring that follow-up action is taken
• Ensure introductory materials are given if necessary and that client is allocated to the appropriate person
• Following up clients for the return of introductory materials
• Researching cases for use on the database and website

Preference will be given to students who have completed or are currently undertaking LAW 4121 Insurance Law

**Holding Redlich Human Rights Placement (in conjunction with Castan Centre)**

This placement is established in conjunction with the Castan Centre for Human Rights. Students are required to attend Holding Redlich, where they undertake a range of tasks associated with litigation involving human rights in the broadest sense – everything from compensation for workplace injuries and discrimination to assisting asylum seekers and elderly victims of fraud and predatory lending. Students with an interest in human rights are likely to be attracted to this placement. Immediate casework supervision is provided by the law firm, with academic coordination by a member of staff. Activities may include:

- Attendance at client interviews;
- Attendance at meetings with clients and barristers;
- Attendance and preparation for mediations;
- Attendance and support at Court;
- Undertaking detailed legal research in support of legal practitioners preparing cases;
- Other administrative duties as directed.

**JobWatch**

In this placement, students are based at Jobwatch, a community legal centre located in central Melbourne. Staff at JobWatch specialise in providing legal advice and ongoing casework to people with employment law problems, including unfair dismissal, workplace harassment and discrimination claims and other general protection claims. Students receive extensive training and support to give advice on the telephone advice line in relation to various employment law issues, and assist with legal education materials, preparation of cases and legal research. Activities may include:

- Provision of legal information and support to people with employment law issues;
- Assisting legal practitioners at JobWatch in the preparation of applications to the Fair Work Ombudsman and/or Fair Work Commission;
- Undertaking detailed legal research in support of legal practitioners preparing cases; and
- Other administrative duties as directed.

**King & Wood Mallesons**

Participation in this unit will involve students providing (under KWM supervision) general advice on corporate governance and/or corporate social responsibility issues. This may include:

- Providing advice to not-for-profit organisations concerning relevant regulatory regimes (including the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission, corporate governance, and reporting regimes). Not-for-profits will be invited to attend these clinics to participate in general training sessions and receive individual compliance advice from KWM lawyers and in-house counsel from corporate in-house legal teams. Students will assist with preparing for and conducting these clinics and subsequent follow-up work.
- Preparing and presenting reports to ASX listed companies addressing ASX corporate governance principles, other governance or corporate social responsibility issues. This clinic is only available in CP2
McDonald Murholme

McDonald Murholme is the leading employment law firm for employees based in Victoria with a good balance of bright young and experienced staff. McDonald Murholme represents a wide spectrum of employees from CEOs to clerical staff in accordance to Australian law, which provides comprehensive rights to employees against wrongful dismissal and workplace bullying. McDonald Murholme gives clients access to these laws. Its client base is growing strongly.

The firm provides sound legal advice and a strategy to make the laws work for employees when confronted with a better resourced and more powerful employer.

Duties of the placement might include:

- Taking notes during client consultations
- Filing paperwork for various files
- Going to court to file documents or instruct
- Opening files using checklist
- Closing files using checklist
- Indexing litigation files
- Drafting applications to FWA under guidance of lawyers/more experienced research assistants
- Drafting letters of demand using precedents
- Taking a chronology or client statement and ensuring that follow-up action is taken
- Ensure introductory materials are given if necessary and that client is allocated to the appropriate person
- Following up clients for the return of introductory materials
- Researching cases for use on the database and website

Media Arts Lawyers

For over 20 years, Media Arts Lawyers has given practical and commercial legal advice to clients throughout the entertainment, media, and creative industries. Acting for high-profile talent and multinational companies alongside emerging and fledgling projects, we set the benchmark for creatively strategic legal solutions – no matter the deal size. Our combined experience means that we have the skill, deep networks, lateral thinking, and foresight to achieve the best commercial outcomes for our clients. We don’t just do the paperwork, we think creatively to develop strategic solutions and structure intelligent deals.

Duties of the placement might include:

- Taking notes during client consultations
- Filing paperwork for various files
- Marking up, comparing, reviewing and proofreading contracts
- Drafting memos of advice
- Drafting letters of demand and other correspondence using precedents
- Researching laws, regulations and relevant cases

Public Transport Ombudsman

The Public Transport Ombudsman is a not-for-profit, independent dispute resolution body proving a free, fair and informal service for the resolution of complaints and disputes about Victorian public
transport operators and government entities who are members of the scheme. This unit of study will appeal to law students wishing to gain further insights into both alternative dispute resolution (ADR) and consumer protection. Additionally students will gain exposure to legislation and policy application in an ADR environment, the processes and practices of a consumer based ombudsman scheme and governance of a not-for-profit entity. During the course you will have the opportunity to gain practical skill in developing internal practice notes, case management and resolution, contribution to broader policy and legislative review submissions, and the role of a Company Secretary. The PTO is particularly interested in students who see themselves working for an Ombudsman scheme or community legal centres and have an interest in vulnerable or disadvantaged members of the community. This particular project may involve work relating to accessibility. See [www.ptovic.com.au](http://www.ptovic.com.au)

**SECASA – South Eastern Centre Against Sexual Assault at SMLS**

This is our longest-running clinic. Run in conjunction with the South Eastern Centre Against Sexual Assault (SECASA) at Springvale Monash Legal Service (4 places, all clinical periods), this clinic offers legal services to victims of sexual assault and sexual abuse. This placement is designed for students who have developed an interest during Professional Practice in supporting victims of sexual assault. Students will undertake casework in conjunction with SECASA staff as needed. The clinic is intended for emotionally mature students who see themselves as potential criminal lawyers (whether acting for the prosecution or defence), as well as students interested in personal injury law and other areas of law that involve dealing with vulnerable and marginalised populations. Activities include:

- Providing legal information, advice and support to victims of sexual assault, sexual abuse and their families;
- Assisting in the preparation of compensation applications to the Victims of Crime Assistance Tribunal (VOCAT), in accordance with the Victims of Crime Assistance Act;
- Liaising with expert witnesses (e.g. psychologists and psychiatrists) to obtain reports in support of applications to VOCAT;
- Briefing of barristers and attendance at VOCAT hearings;
- Preparation of Sentencing Act applications (where compensation is sought from the offender themselves, as part of the offender’s sentencing process);
- Assistance and ongoing legal casework in a range of related areas, which might include: the preparation of a divorce application (this may include an opportunity to represent the applicant in a divorce hearing), preparation of a new will, etc; and
- Other administrative duties as directed.

*Pre-requisite Units:* [LAW4328](http://example.com) (or [LAW5216](http://example.com)), [LAW4330](http://example.com) (or [LAW5218](http://example.com)) or [LAW5050](http://example.com)

**Stary, Norton, Halphen Placement**

Stary Norton Halphen is the largest specialist criminal law practice in Victoria. All our lawyers practice exclusively in Criminal Law. At the heart of our practice is a commitment to social justice and ensuring that our clients, no matter what walk of life they come from or what they have been accused of doing, receive robust representation and a fair hearing from the Courts. We do not judge our clients. That is not our role. Rather we afford them dignity and respect and do our very best to protect their rights in circumstances where they are facing the might of the state. Some of our clients are homeless, others are high profile, all are important. If you have a keen sense of justice, are attracted to a career in criminal law and are motivated to learn in a fast moving and dynamic
environment where our lawyers routinely appear in and prepare for matters in Court then apply to undertake our 12 week Clinical placement commencing March 2018 as your first step in a long career in Criminal law.

**Supreme Court**

Students participating in this placement program will work with judges and other judicial staff members of the Supreme Court of Victoria as well as faculty members from Monash University. Students will attend the Supreme Court of Victoria for half-one day each week over a 12-week period. This opportunity is typically offered first and second semesters only – it is not available over summer semesters. Places in this externship program provide an opportunity to high performing law students from the Faculty of Law to gain experience at the Supreme Court of Victoria. Places are very limited; successful candidates must submit an online application and attend an interview, if shortlisted.

This placement program will include the following activities:

- Assisting judges and other judicial staff in Judges’ Chambers at the Supreme Court of Victoria with:
  - drafting speeches;
  - preparing case summaries; and
  - legal research;
- Assist Judges’ Associates in other legal and administrative duties in Chambers and Court as directed.

**TradeLab**

The TradeLab placement offers a unique opportunity to thoroughly analyse international trade and investment law, as well as broader issues of international economic law, and jurisprudence through a combination of practice and theory. Students will work in small groups (“project teams”) and under the close supervision of one or more Academic Supervisors and Mentors and the Teaching Assistant on specific legal questions related to international economic law coming from “real clients” (“Beneficiaries”) such as international organisations, governments, SMEs or NGOs. Students will attend introductory sessions to provide substantive background to the respective topics, as well as sessions to improve research and legal writing skills. At the end of the semester, the groups will submit written legal memos and orally present their projects in class in the presence of the Beneficiary and other invited guests. This semester, students will work with an intergovernmental organisation and with two developing country governments to assist them to prepare legislation in the field of public health that complies with these countries’ obligations under international trade and investment treaties.

**Pre-requisite or co-requisite Units are:**

**LLB**
- LAW4122 - International law
- LAW4668 - International investment law
- LAW4681 - Global economic law
- LAW4526 - World Trade Organisation dispute settlement
- LAW4343 - Sovereignty and globalisation

**JD/LLM**
- LAW5414 Public International Law
- LAW5392 - Globalisation and international economic law
To get an idea of the types of projects done in previous years, see [https://tradelab.legal.io/search/guides](https://tradelab.legal.io/search/guides)

**Victorian Legal Aid**

VLA provides legal aid services to members of the community both in-house and through contracted private lawyers. Our services include the provision of duty lawyers at courts, legal representation on individual cases, legal information, community legal centres and community legal education. VLA also conducts research into and makes submissions concerning legal aid and law reform issues. This is a rare and exciting opportunity to learn about improving the effectiveness of legal assistance, new ways to measure legal need and service coverage amongst VLA and CLC’s across Victoria. Our current work also involves human-centred design, data analytics and social innovation. You do not need to possess experience in these areas but rather have an interest in gaining a high level understanding of social justice and access to justice issues in Victoria.

Activities may include:

- Transcribe interviews with legal assistance sector stakeholders in relation to legal needs,
- Research into legal needs literature and methodology,
- Support the team in preparing for and reviewing workshops, and
- Drafting documents for use with VLA and CLC stakeholders

**Victorian Ombudsman**

The Ombudsman provides a free, independent, accessible and impartial service to Victorians. Her role is to ensure that state and local government services are delivered in a fair and reasonable manner that is compatible with the rights protected by the Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities Act 2006. The Ombudsman also investigates allegations of improper conduct referred by the Independent Broad-based Anti-corruption Commission (IBAC).

The Ombudsman also promotes excellence in public administration in Victoria through systemic investigations, publication of authoritative reports and engagement within both the government sector and the broader community.

Students will work on a research paper that will identify the Ombudsman’s jurisdiction in relation to disability matters:

- during the transition to NDIS
- after the transition to NDIS is complete.

Due consideration will need to be given to the changing disability landscape; in particular the registration of service providers and the role of the state in service provision. The project will require consultation with key stakeholders including the Department of Health and Human Services, the Commonwealth Ombudsman, the Disability Services Commissioner, the Australian and Victorian Human Rights Commissions, Consumer Affairs Victoria and advocacy groups.

The ideal applicant will:

- be in the second or third year of a law degree
- have completed Public Law, Constitution Law or Administrative Law (ideally all three)
- have ability in statutory interpretation
• be able to communicate with senior stakeholders
• have excellent written and verbal communication skills.