

# LAWS 7001 ADVANCED CLINICAL LEGAL PLACEMENT

**Credit Points** 40

**Legacy Code** 201006

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**Description** This 40 credit point unit consists of twenty days of clinical work within a legal practice environment. Students are mentored by experienced legal practitioners to develop and apply knowledge and skills in legal practice. Students are responsible for organising their placements with legal services or practices working in areas of interest to the student and the proposed placement must be approved by the School of Law. Students are required to perform professional tasks in the legal service or practice setting and to undertake self-directed study including completing a self-directed research report on a work-related project and workplace reflections. These together with a Professional Performance Report from their workplace supervisor/mentor, will comprise assessment for the unit on a satisfactory/unsatisfactory basis. Students are supported in this through the provision of supporting materials. Advanced Clinical Legal Placement may be undertaken in any study period and may, by agreement, be organised in ways which suit the workplace supervisor/mentor and the student and as agreed with the Unit Coordinator. This may include, for example, undertaking the 20 day clinical work placement as a four week block or distributed over the session parallel to their program of study.

**School** Law

**Discipline** Business and Commercial Law

**Student Contribution Band** HECS Band 4 40cp

**Level** Postgraduate Coursework Level 7 subject

**Restrictions**

Students must be enrolled in 2824 Master of Laws in the Master of Laws (Law Graduate) - 120cp pathway. Students must have a Bachelor of Laws or Juris Doctor degree, or equivalent to be eligible to complete Advanced Clinical Legal Placement.

**Assumed Knowledge**

Bachelor of Laws degree or Juris Doctorate or equivalent.

## Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this subject, students should be able to:

1. Reflect on own learning and professional development needs.
2. Design and complete a research project based on issues emerging from the real-time practice.
3. Communicate relevant information about legal issues to legal and non-legal audiences.
4. Perform legal assistance services in a practical context

## Subject Content

This subject consist of the following legal and project practical experiences:

- 20 days work placement in a legal service or practice setting
- performance of professional tasks in The everyday legal service or practice setting
- self-directed research report.

- reflective practice (online resources)

## Assessment

The following table summarises the standard assessment tasks for this subject. Please note this is a guide only. Assessment tasks are regularly updated, where there is a difference your Learning Guide takes precedence.

Item	Length	Percent	Threshold	Individual/Group Task
Placement reflections	500 x 3	S/U	Y	Individual
Professional Performance	1 completed template	S/U	Y	Individual
Research Report	3000 words	S/U	Y	Individual

Teaching Periods