

# ANU Legal Workshop GDLP Legal Practice Experience in Regional, Rural or Remote (RRR) Australia

## RRR PLACEMENT ASSISTANCE – CRITERIA AND APPLICATION FORM

An application can be lodged with the ANU Legal Workshop at the address below. Lodge your application in person, by fax, post or email with:

Legal Practice Experience Administrator  
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Australian National University Canberra 0200  
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### CRITERIA FOR RRR PLACEMENT ASSISTANCE

#### Terms:

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| <i>Student</i>                  | - means an enrolled ANU GDLP student                                |
| <i>RRR placement</i>            | - means a RRR legal practice experience placement under the scheme  |
| <i>RRR Placement Assistance</i> | - means RRR placement assistance provided by the ANU Legal Workshop |

The ANU Legal Workshop has established an assistance fund to provide financial assistance for GDLP students undertaking qualifying RRR placement. Until the 31 October 2010 the scheme was limited to legal practice experience placements with a Community Legal Centre in a regional, rural or remote area. From the 1 November 2010 the scheme is broader and applies more generally as set out below.

#### ***RRR Placement Assistance and payment arrangements***

- The maximum amount of RRR Placement Assistance is \$1,000 per student.
- Payment is made by electronic transfer into the student's nominated account.

#### ***RRR placement – types of legal practices***

All legal practices are included – that is:

- private and government: private law firms; in-house legal practices; legal practices in government or statutory agencies including the DPP, Department of Community Services (DoCS) etc.

- non-profit: Legal Aid Commissions; Community Legal Centres; Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Legal Services; Family Violence Prevention Legal Services; Native Title Representative Bodies; pro-bono legal service initiatives.

### ***RRR placement locations***

- the legal practice experience placement location must be in a RRR area of Australia. For this purpose 'RRR area' includes Darwin but excludes other capital cities and areas within a 70km radius of an excluded capital city
- where the LPE placement involves fly-in-fly-out (or similar) from an excluded location to an RRR location, the placement may be included if:
  - the predominant focus of the legal practice experience work is delivery of legal services in one or more RRR areas, and
  - a substantial part of the placement will be undertaken in one or more of those RRR areas.

### ***Length of placement***

- the proposed placement must be at least 20 days and, unless there are special circumstances, the placement must be full time i.e. 5 days a week, during usual business hours.
- written confirmation of the placement from the RRR placement site must be submitted with the completed RRR Placement Assistance Application – an email from the placement site is sufficient.

### ***Distance from home, personal circumstances and purposes***

- the distance to the RRR placement must be at least 100km from the student's usual residence.
- the student must demonstrate:
  - that they are likely to incur substantial additional costs in establishing or undertaking the placement compared to placement close to the student's usual residence,
  - that they would be unable to undertake the RRR placement without the requested financial assistance, and
  - how the opportunity to undertake the RRR placement may contribute towards addressing the shortage of lawyers in RRR Australia.

### ***Additional requirements***

- The student must agree to:
  - (i) Participate in the evaluation of the project, and
  - (ii) Cooperate with the Legal Workshop to promote their participation in order to increase awareness of the benefits of RRR LPE placements.

# RRR PLACEMENT ASSISTANCE - APPLICATION

I am applying for and ANU Legal Workshop RRR Placement Assistance  
**in the amount of \$**  
(insert amount, the **maximum** is \$1,000 per student)

## 1. About you:

Your name (family name last):

\_\_\_\_\_

Student ID: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_

Email:

Your usual residential address:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

## 2. About the RRR legal practice where you would undertake placement:

2.1 Name of the RRR legal practice and contact details:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street address: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Web site:

2.2 Contact person for this RRR legal practice:

Name:

Role of the contact person in relation to the legal practice:

Phone:

Fax:

Email:

**2.3 What if any connection do you have with this *RRR legal practice*?**

**2.4 What if any connection do you have with this *RRR location / area*?**

### **3. About the proposed placement:**

**3.1. Start date:**

**End date:**

**3.2 Intensity:** 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5 days per week (indicate):

**3.3 Number of days of legal practice experience (not weekends or public holidays):**

**3.4 If the proposed placement would involve fly-in-fly-out (or similar) from an excluded location to an RRR location, how would the placement meet the requirements that:**

- the predominant focus of the legal practice experience work is delivery of legal services in one or more RRR areas, and
- a substantial part of the placement will be undertaken in one or more of those RRR areas.

## 4. Distance from your usual residence

### 4.1 Where is your usual residence?

### 4.2 What is the distance from your usual residence to the RRR legal practice location?

(To estimate, you may wish to use: <http://www.whereis.com/> enter the location of your usual residence and the destination, click 'get directions' which will also show the distance)

## 5. Substantial additional costs

5.1 Would you be required to meet substantial additional costs in establishing or undertaking the placement compared to placement close to your usual residence. Explain and describe (e.g. **travel, accommodation**) and give approximate cost of each.

## 6. Reasons for undertaking the placement

6.1 What are your reasons for undertaking this placement and how might the opportunity undertake the placement contribute towards addressing the shortage of lawyers in RRR Australia? (Briefly explain)

## 7. Agreement

7.1 If I am awarded assistance I agree to:

- (i) Participate in the evaluation of the project, and
- (ii) Cooperate with the Legal Workshop to promote their participation in order to increase awareness of the benefits of RRR LPE placements

Signature .....Date ..... / ..... / .....

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### For use by ANU Legal Workshop

Amount Sought: \$

Amount Recommended: \$

Brief comments:

David Catanzariti ...../...../.....

Brief comments:

Tony Foley ..../...../.....

Approved/Not Approved: .....Gary Tamsitt ...../...../.....

Applicant Notified:.....LPE Administrator ...../...../.....