**FAST FACTS**

**No. 1**
- No. 1 in Australia for graduate employability
  *(Emerging Global Employability Survey 2017)*
- 19,994 law alumni
  *(University’s Raiser’s Edge database as of January 2018)*
- 88 per cent of ANU academic staff hold a PhD degree

**No. 12**
- No. 12 in the world for Law
  *(QS World University Ranking by Subject 2018)*
- 1st in Australia for International Outlook
  *(2015–16 Times Higher Education International Outlook indicator)*
- 5 stars
  *(Good Universities Guide 2017)*

**4,681**
- 4,681 law students studying undergraduate postgraduate and higher degree research programs
  > 1,879 (undergraduates)
  > 2,738 (postgraduate)
  > 64 (higher degree research)
  *(as of February 2018)*

**90%**
- 90 per cent of ANU Law postgraduates secured full-time employment within four months of completing their degree
  *(ANU College of Law Graduate Destinations Report 2015)*
It is my pleasure to introduce The Australian National University’s College of Law at a Glance guide.

Our college is renowned for its collegiality, teaching excellence and small class sizes. We are the intellectual home for some of Australia’s foremost experts in international, constitutional, public and private law.

Our campus is located on the shores of Lake Burley Griffin in Australia’s national capital, Canberra. We are home to five research centres, a law reform and social justice initiative and have built strong networks with lawmakers, the judiciary and legal academics throughout Australia and the world.

We strive to use our position as one of the world’s best law schools to ensure our students and scholars are not just equipped to respond to the challenges of today, but are ready to capture the opportunities of tomorrow. We invite you to join us, and become a partner in the process.

We look forward to welcoming you to ANU.

Professor Sally Wheeler OBE
Dean, ANU College of Law
Since being established, we have attracted academics, researchers and practitioners from across Australia and abroad.

ANU College of Law comprises:
> The ANU Law School
> The ANU School of Legal Practice.

The ANU Law School is responsible for our undergraduate, postgraduate and higher degree research (HDR) programs, including the Bachelor of Laws (Honours), Juris Doctor, Graduate Certificate of Law, Master of Laws and Higher Degree Research.

The ANU School of Legal Practice (formerly ANU Legal Workshop) has over 40 years’ experience providing high-quality practical legal training to generations of lawyers. In addition to its renowned Graduate Diploma of Legal Practice, the School offers a suite of courses for law professionals to master their craft.

Reflecting our research strengths, we host five research centres: the Centres for Commercial Law; International & Public Law; Law, Arts & the Humanities; Military & Security Law; and Profession, Education & Regulation in Law.

Across undergraduate, postgraduate and research degrees, we provide a unique understanding of current law and policy. Our alumni work not only as lawyers, but as agents for social change, improving public policy and enhancing global diplomacy.

The 2018 QS World University Rankings by Subject ranked Law at ANU 12th in the world, while ANU is Australia’s number one ranked university, and 20th in the world.

We balance our global outlook with a local focus, and have a long-standing reputation for excellence in education, research and community outreach, and remain focused on our objectives to:
> shape and influence public policy, placing an emphasis on the values of law reform and social justice
> use our position to help understand and address the major legal, social and political challenges of the 21st century
> remain a leader in legal education and research, with the outstanding calibre of our graduates as a key measure of success.
EXPERT TEACHERS

We are renowned for teaching excellence and are the intellectual home for some of Australia’s foremost experts in international, constitutional, public and private law. Bringing together extensive experience and real-world insight, our teachers are experts both in their legal disciplines and in legal education. Our teaching faculty are constantly engaging with government and the profession, producing world-class scholarship and making important contributions to the development of the law and public policy.

Programs

We have world-class undergraduate, postgraduate and HDR programs of study including:

> Bachelor of Laws (Honours) [LLBHons]
> Juris Doctor [JD]
> Graduate Certificate of Law
> Graduate Diploma of Legal Practice [GDLP]
> Master of Legal Practice [MLP]
> Master of Laws [LLM]
> Higher Degree Research [PhD], [SJD], [MPhil].

Associate Professor Vivien Holmes teaches and researches in the fields of legal ethics, legal education and the legal profession. She has previously worked as a litigation solicitor in private and government practice, as the Registrar of the Northern Territory Supreme Court and as a member of the Social Security Appeals Tribunal. She is also the Associate Dean (Education) of the College.

Associate Professor Kath Hall is an internationally recognised expert on transnational corporate corruption and foreign bribery regulation. She is advising on developing an Anti-Corruption Compliance Standard, and Chief Investigator in an Australian Research Council project on reform of private sector whistleblowing laws in Australia. She also chairs the International Bar Association Anti-Corruption sub-committee on the Drivers of Corruption.

Dr Ryan Goss teaches Australian Public Law, International Human Rights Law and Civil and Political Rights. He researches and works on human rights law and constitutional law. He developed his research profile at the University of Oxford, writing and publishing on UK and European human rights law. His publications include a book, Criminal Fair Trial Rights, which was longlisted for the Inner Temple Book Prize 2015, shortlisted for the Birks Prize 2015 and cited by judges in the European Court of Human Rights.
“ANU Law’s geographical location and global status mean that the teaching staff come from a diverse range of personal and professional backgrounds. Every semester, I am impressed by the academic credentials of my lecturers and the inspiring public and private sector careers of my tutors.”

Joseph Dean is a current Bachelor of Laws/Bachelor of Commerce student.
STUDENT EXPERIENCE

Studying Law at ANU in Canberra is a student experience like no other. In addition to being at the heart of Australia’s legal system in the form of Parliament House and the High Court of Australia, we also offer internships, international exchanges and an extensive range of clubs and societies.

Overseas courses
We offer four specific courses based overseas – in Geneva, Alabama, Kyoto and Myanmar. Students eligible for these courses gain significant benefits from experiencing international law first-hand.

Domestic and international internships
We offer a range of internships in law firms, government departments, international bodies and non-government organisations. Some of these include internships at the prestigious World Bank Group’s Integrity Vice Presidency in Washington DC, the Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Legal Aid ACT and the Permanent Court of Arbitration in the Hague.

International exchange
ANU enjoys exchange partnership relationships with over 170 high-quality universities around the world, offering opportunities to study in English as well as in another language. Popular destinations for our students include Sweden, the Netherlands, the UK and the USA.

Mooting
We have a proud tradition of competing in mooting competitions around the world, including the prestigious Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot, the IASLA Space Law Moot, the Intercollegiate Negotiation Competition (Sumitomo Cup) in Japan and the Sir Harry Gibbs Constitutional Law Moot.

In 2018, the ANU Law team won the East Asia rounds in the highly competitive World Trade Law Moot Competition, earning a spot in the international finals in Geneva.

Clubs, societies and more
ANU is home to more than 180 student clubs, offering unique educational, sporting, cultural and social opportunities. These range from the ANU Law Students’ Society (LSS) and International Law Society (ILS), through to the ANU Owls Quidditch team.

Key activities on the law calendar include the LSS Annual Law Ball (the largest of its kind in the southern hemisphere), the Social Justice speaker series, the ANU Law Revue theatre comedy production and the quarterly Peppercorn magazine – one of Australia’s leading law student publications.

We also house a dedicated law library that provides a wide range of legal resources for staff and students. The major collection strengths are public and international law, complemented by statutes and case law from every Australian jurisdiction and selected overseas jurisdictions.
We are committed to producing practice-ready lawyers, whether it is for work in a private firm or the government sector, and encourage students to experience the law in action through volunteering, clinical courses and internships.

Law Reform and Social Justice program
ANU Law has a strong commitment to law reform and social justice and encourages students to think about how laws can be improved to serve people better. The ANU Law Reform and Social Justice program provides opportunities for students to explore and interrogate the complex role of law in society and the part that lawyers play in promoting both change and stability. Key student-run projects include:

> Ready 4 Recognition Project
> Corporate Accountability Project
> Prison Issues Project
> Community Legal Education Project.

Kimberley Community Legal Service (KCLS) hot desk
ANU Law students voluntarily staff a hot desk to help KCLS lawyers assist people with legal issues in the Kimberley region – over 5,000 kilometres away. The KCLS–ANU hot desk operates out of a small office in ANU Law, assisting seven KCLS lawyers with the myriad of requests that far outstrip their capacity to respond to. The students work in two shifts per day covering business hours in Western Australia, undertaking legal research, preparing legal submissions and case material, and are making a significant difference for legal services in the Kimberley community.

“The clients that come to us often have multiple legal needs and they are usually the most disadvantaged and disempowered. Since we have been able to receive help from the students in Canberra, it has made an enormous difference to our day-to-day work and enhances our capacity to provide a more effective service on the limited resources we have.”

Carol Wei (Solicitor, KCLS)
Clinical education

Clinical legal education provides law students with the opportunity to engage with real clients, real problems and real deadlines. Designed to foster independent learning and promote reflective practice in future lawyers, the College’s clinical offerings enable students to work onsite with essential community practices like Legal Aid ACT, the Aboriginal Legal Service (ALS) and the Environmental Defenders Office ACT. Students are exposed to the law in action and help deliver critical legal services in the process. We run clinical programs such as:

> Clinical Youth Law Program
> Community Law Clinical Program
> Indigenous Community Legal Clinic
> Environmental Law Clinical Program
> Public Interest Law Clinical Program
> International Law Clinic.

“When I reflect on ANU, my time at ALS stands out as one of the highlights. For me, a rich academic experience includes practical experience, where you are able to see the clients who benefit from your work and get a better sense of what you’d like to do after graduation. Courses like the Indigenous Community Legal Clinic provide space for different types of learning to occur.”

Loren Ovens undertook the Indigenous Community Legal Clinic at the Aboriginal Legal Service (ALS) in 2016

“Experiential learning is critical to the development of important graduate attributes associated with practising law. It’s also essential to developing students’ capacity to critique and challenge existing laws, legal structures and processes. I endeavour to explicitly link theory and practice, and harness the potential of experiential learning.”

Dr Anthony Hopkins, Director of ANU Law Clinical Programs
RESEARCH EXCELLENCE

Recognised around the world, our research has long been known for scholarly excellence and positive impact. Since our beginning, we have attracted academics, researchers and practitioners from across Australia and abroad. Together, these scholars have engaged with governments, communities and the wider legal profession to produce world-class research, and make important contributions to the development of the law and public policy.

Research in Progress

**Judges and judging**

Dr Heather Roberts is a leading expert in judicial swearing-in ceremonies. In 2018, she commenced a project titled ‘The Ideal Judge’ – a four-year fellowship funded by the Australian Research Council. This project explores the changing expectations of judges and judging in Australia. Applying a unique interdisciplinary methodology – drawing on history, biography and gender studies – Dr Roberts examines how judicial swearing-in ceremonies expose differences in perceptions and priorities of the ‘essential’ attributes of judges and judging. By interrogating differences over time and jurisdiction, her research aims to inform debate about how to build and maintain public confidence in the judiciary.

**Ethical Supply chains**

Associate Professor Jo Ford’s research looks at emerging models for regulating the risks of human trafficking and forced labour in transnational corporate supply chains. His research examines the assumptions underlying legislative models intended to promote transparency and enable consumer and market co-governance of responsible business conduct. He is also assisting to lead a multi-country study, funded by the Danish government, into how frameworks for encouraging or ensuring responsible business practices may be relevant to how we assess positive private sector contributions to strengthening institutional governance and the rule of law under the UN Sustainable Development Goals.

**Governance in emergencies and emergency management**

Associate Professor Michael Eburn’s research looks at the role of law in planning for and responding to emergencies – ranging from routine responses by the emergency services to whole-of-government responses to catastrophic disasters. His current research project, funded by the Bushfire and Natural Hazards Cooperative Research Centre (BNHCRC), and led by Risk Frontiers, is considering governance and legal arrangements required for effective planning and capability requirements for catastrophic and cascading events. Michael’s previous BNHCRC project on Policies, Institutions and Governance of Natural Hazards has recommended a new approach to post-event inquiries.

**Law and religion**

Professor Pauline Ridge’s research concerns the law’s regulation of religious financing. It addresses such questions as how to protect religious adherents from financial abuse of spiritual influence; whether and on what basis, the State may fund the expression of religious faith; and how to balance faith-motivated expressions of testamentary autonomy with the needs of a testator’s family. She is currently developing a conceptual framework for understanding the relationship of law, State and religion in this sphere in jurisdictions such as Australia, the UK, Canada and New Zealand.
ALUMNI

With over 19,000 ANU Law graduates across Australia and around the world, our alumni can be found working not only as lawyers, but agents for social change, public policy and global diplomacy. They have made – and continue to make – their mark and achieve excellence in all areas of law.

Cathie Armour
BEC '82, LLB (Hons) '84
Commissioner, Australian Securities & Investments Commission

Cathie is one of Australia’s leading corporate lawyers with over 18 years’ experience in legal counsel leadership roles in international financial institutions.

Sophie Ryan
LLB (Hons) ’07, BA ’07
Chief Executive Officer, Sony Foundation

As head of the charity arm of the Sony Group of Companies, Sophie’s work allows her to pursue her passion for business and philanthropy and believes the two should be inextricably linked.

Stéphane Brabant
GradDipIntLaw ’89
Co-Chairman of Africa Group, Herbert Smith Freehills

Stéphane is a highly experienced international projects lawyer. He is co-chair of Herbert Smith Freehills Africa practice, and co-head of their business and human rights and their mining sectors.

John Reid PSM
LLM ’08
First Assistant Secretary, Officer of International Law, Attorney-General’s Department

John is responsible for advice to government on all areas of international law and is the Agent for Australia before the International Court of Justice and the Permanent Court of Arbitration.
Diverse career paths

**Lea Armstrong**
BA (Hons) ’89, LLB (Hons) ’90
First woman appointed Crown Solicitor in New South Wales

**Matthew Bye**
BA ’01, LLB (Hons) ’01
Director (Competition Legal), Google

**Rachel Callinan**
BA ’94, LLB ’97
Usher of the Black Rod, Australian Senate

**Professor Megan Davis**
GDLP ’00, LLM ’03, PhD ’11
First Indigenous Australian woman elected to a United Nations body

**The Honourable Justice Stephen Gageler AC**
BEc ’80, LLB (Hons) ’82, HonLLD ’15
Judge, High Court of Australia

**Sulari Gentill**
BSc ’93, LLB (Hons) ’95, GDLP ’96
Award-winning author including the *Rowland Sinclair Mysteries* and the *Hero Trilogy*

**Jennifer Robinson**
LLB (Hons) ’06, BAsianStudies (Indonesian) ’06
Barrister, Doughty Street Chambers

**Peter Woolcott AO**
BA ’76, LLB ’77
Chief of Staff to the Prime Minister of Australia
From the very beginning, inclusiveness has been one of our central values. Financial or social barriers or cultural nuances should not limit students with the academic potential and commitment to learning that a quality legal education at ANU demands. We thank our generous donors for supporting our students and encouraging them to succeed in their studies.

**Freilich Indigenous Student Scholarship in Law**

**KADE ALEXANDER**

Kade is a Gunaikurnai man and the first in his family to attend university. He decided his best chance for improving the lives of his fellow Indigenous Australians is through a law degree.

**Phillipa Weeks Scholarship in Law**

**CHRISTINA LEE**

Christina grew up in Cairns in Far North Queensland, moving there from South Korea at the age of 12. She is a Law/International Relations student and is driven to make a difference based on personal tragedy.

**Leslie Zines Constitutional Law Scholarship**

**CATHERINE BLADEN**

Catherine undertook a 10-week internship at the Attorney-General’s Department, which provided her with a rare opportunity to experience constitutional law in action. This included attending High Court hearings and assisting with the preparation of the parliamentary inquiry into Section 44 eligibility.

**World Bank Scholarship**

**MAXINE VIERTMANN**

Maxine spent 12 weeks in Washington DC undertaking an internship with the World Bank Group’s Integrity Vice Presidency.
“How much I have learnt, grown and experienced as a result of this scholarship defines the immense power of giving back. It was an experience that I will never forget, and one that I am endlessly grateful for.”

Abirami Rajkumar received one of the 2017 London Legal Scholarships and undertook a 12-week internship at Latham & Watkins LLP under the supervision of alumnus Tom Evans (BA '02, LLB '02).
National Jessup Moot
We hosted the national rounds of the Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Competition with over 40 teams from across Australia competing.

Wellbeing in the Law Week
A series of events and activities, presented by our Wellbeing Initiative and the Law Students’ Society, to promote awareness and discussion around law student wellbeing.

Distinguished Visiting Mentors
Professor Joshua Getzler and Professor Lucia Zedner from the University of Oxford engaged in mentoring and research activities with our staff and HDR students.

Visiting Californian Judges
The Centre for International and Public Law hosted 20 Superior Court Judges as part of a judicial education program.

The Annual Kirby Lecture on International Law
Mr Bill Campbell PSM, Office of International Law, provided insights on ‘International Dispute Resolution: Australian Perspectives and Approaches’.

Utopia 500
Our Centre for Law, Arts & the Humanities collaborated with the ABC and National Library of Australia to mark the 500th anniversary of the publication of Utopia with a stellar panel including renowned philosopher Peter Singer.

Women in Commercial Law Forum
Four leading law alumni shared their insights, advice and experience with current female law students about the rewards and the challenges of working as women in commercial law.

The (More) Public Life of Secret Law
Ben Keith, New Zealand’s Deputy Inspector-General of Intelligence and Security, spoke on the relationship of covert national security activities and public law.

40th Anniversary of the Federal Court
Our Centre for Commercial Law and Centre for International and Public Law (CIPL) hosted a conference to mark the 40th anniversary of the establishment of the Federal Court of Australia.

ANU Law Unrequired Reading List Launch
Professor Stephen Bottomley launched a list of books and films, that expressed our values and provided a supplement to prescribed texts and journals.

20th Geoffrey Sawer Lecture
The Hon. Justice Stephen Gageler AC, Judge of the High Court of Australia, spoke on the legacy of Sir Robert Garran by presenting a mix of history, biography and doctrine.
NEW BUILDING & FACILITIES

We are excited to be refurbishing our facilities to provide modern teaching and learning spaces to educate the next generation of lawyers. The project will maintain the iconic facade whilst facilitating a strong sense of community amongst staff, students, alumni and visitors.

Coming soon

> State-of-the-art teaching spaces
> Social and collaborative student spaces
> New and modern Moot Court.

ANU Law is undergoing a substantial renovation over the next two years.
OUR HISTORY

1951
On 7 December 1951, ANU confers its first degree of an Honorary Doctor of Laws on Sir Robert Garran – one of the authors of the Australian Constitution.

1958
Faculty of Law established at the Canberra University College.

1960
Canberra University College (including the Faculty of Law) incorporated into ANU School of General Studies.

1972
ANU Legal Workshop offered the first University-based Practical Legal Training (PLT) program in Australia.

1967
ANU Law has offered the LLB since its commencement. The LLM was initially a research degree and was first awarded to David Anderson in 1967.

1965
The first wing on the new Law building was completed.

1976
Dr James O’Donovan graduates with the first PhD from ANU in Law.

2018
Professor Sally Wheeler OBE is appointed the first female Dean of Law.

2020
The University will celebrate 60 years of Law at ANU.