

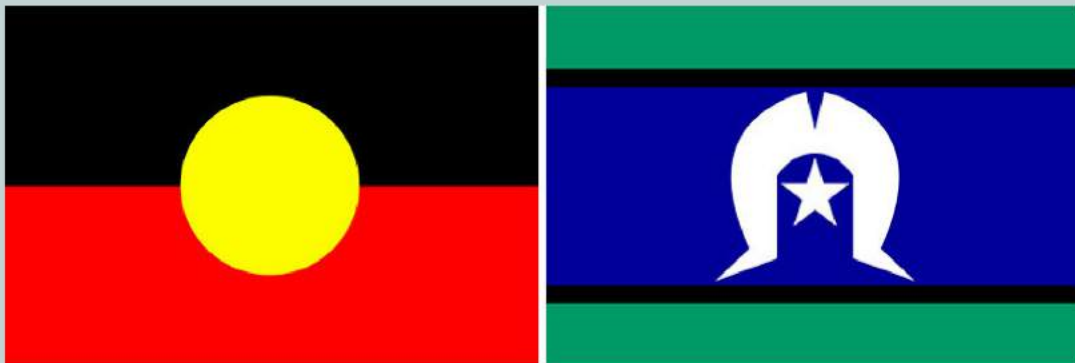
2023
SOCIAL JUSTICE
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VOLUNTEERING
GUIDE

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Tasmania University Law Society (TULS) acknowledges the traditional owners of the lands and seas that we study, work and live on, the Palawa people of lutruwita/Tasmania. We acknowledge and respect the contributions First Nations people have made to Australian law throughout history, and pay our respects to elders, past, present and emerging.

We stand for a future that respects and acknowledges Aboriginal perspectives, culture, language and history, and we acknowledge the deep and ongoing contribution Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples have made to the law in Australia.

TULS stands with the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in their struggle for human rights. We recognise the pervasive stain of racism and condemn bigotry of any sort.



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We would also like to thank our 2023 sponsors for the Guide: Leo Cussen, Tasmanian Legal Practice Course, Arnold Bloch Leibler, Ashurst, and Clayton UTZ.

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SECTION ONE: INTRODUCTION

DEAN'S WELCOME



Dear Law students,

Welcome to the University of Tasmania's Law School, whether for your first year, or returning for another year. The Law School is very much a happening place for the undergraduate student body. There are manifold pursuits, beyond the purely academic, in which you can engage during your studies. And these often prove the most memorable experiences you will have while at Law School. It is with pleasure, to this end, that I open this welcome to the 2023 TULS Social Justice and Volunteering Guide. This document provides a wealth of information about volunteering and other community legal opportunities. TULS is one of the most active student organisations on campus and facilitates many excellent ways in which you can participate in the Law School and beyond. It is perhaps unsurprising that law students display considerable interest in social justice activities; after all, the law is a crucial vehicle to promote social justice, in all its forms. In response, TULS have developed this Guide.

In perusing the Guide, I am struck by the extent and breadth of social justice and volunteering activities fostered by a small and close-knit Law School. Under the Law banner, there are opportunities to assist and mentor other students, as well as opportunities to support the disadvantaged. The latter include volunteering for the Student Legal Service; the Prisoner Legal Service; the Refugee Legal Service; as well as volunteering opportunities with a range of public sector and not-for-profit organisations referred to in the Guide. I can speak from personal experience of the value of volunteering, having sat on multiple not-for-profit boards over the years and, in doing so, witnessing positive contributions to an aspect of society.

Recall also that the Law School houses the Tasmania Law Reform Institute, the State's law reform body. Our unique role, in this respect, helps to keep law reform and social justice issues at the face of what we do – both in terms of research and teaching. Note also that every year since its inception in 2011, our Law School hosts the Sandy Duncanson Social Justice Lecture with an inspiring speaker to honour the memory of social justice campaigner, Sandy Duncanson (in 2022, it was Professor Rosalind Croucher, President of the Australian Human Rights Commission). There is also a bursary scholarship available to UTAS students who are interested in promoting a social justice initiative:

<https://info.scholarships.utas.edu.au/AwardDetails.aspx?AwardId=2227>

I would encourage you to be proactive and get involved in these activities. In addition to enhancing your CVs and employability, our experience is that such engagement helps you see purpose in your law studies and promotes wellbeing.

Wishing you all the best for 2023,
Gino

PRESIDENT'S FOREWORD



As a former custodian of the Social Justice and Equity portfolio, my great pleasure to welcome you to the Social Justice and Equity Volunteering Guide for 2023. Our Social Justice & Equity Officers, Amie Myhowycz and Emily Bernal, have done a fantastic job in putting this guide together. I congratulate them on their efforts and the contributions of the Social Justice & Equity sub-committee: Olivia Belchambers; Joey Harper; Laura Harrison; and Hemapriya Manianveloo. They have produced an excellent guide that serves as a comprehensive and informative tool to inspire current and future law students.

It is the responsibility of any law school to provide and promote volunteer opportunities and initiatives for students. TULS prides ourselves on our ongoing commitment to inform students of various opportunities available to them to advance their skills in both legal and non-legal volunteering contexts. Many of our current and former students have volunteered or worked in some capacity with many of the organisations listed in this guide. I myself found my time at the Environmental Defenders Office an invaluable experience to immerse myself into the public sector and increase my skills in the context of environmental law. As such, I would like to encourage all of our students, no matter your year level, to consider the opportunities outlined in this guide and put yourself out there for internships, volunteering gigs and so much more that this guide details as on offer. *“If there is one thing that you should do during your time at law school is to find an area that you are passionate about and get involved in it.”* – Fletcher Clarke, TULS President 2022.

The impact that you as law students can make as volunteers is immeasurable. It is the responsibility of all of us to help minimise the injustices in the world and the single most important thing you can do to achieve this goal is to give up your time. You should never doubt the impact that you can have on the lives of others. It is so important that you take up any opportunity thrown at you at law school, TULS is here to ensure that your time at law school is more than an education. Opportunities outlined in this guide are a great way to do just that.

I would like to thank the members of the faculty who continue to support the efforts of our Social Justice & Equity Officers. I would also like to give recognition to all those individuals in our law school community who are already contributing to causes to create a more just world. I would also like to thank the sponsors of this guide: Leo Cussen, Clayton Utz, Tasmanian Legal Practice Course, Arnold Bloch Leibler and Ashurst. It is only with their support that TULS can continue being part of important initiatives in an array of areas, specifically in social justice.

There are many opportunities both within the Law Faculty and the University of Tasmania and outside in the broader community that are contained in this guide. I hope that you find this guide informative, and it helps you discover new opportunities available to you as a law student. If you're wondering when the right time to get involved in extra curriculars, the answer is now!

- Lucy Milne (she/her)

FROM THE SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EQUITY OFFICERS

It is with great delight as the Social Justice and Equity Officers for the Tasmania University Law Society for 2023 that we present the 2023 Social Justice and Volunteering Guide.

We hope that this guide inspires you to take on a volunteering opportunity in 2023. Volunteering is a fantastic way to gain experience and deepen your knowledge of an area of law that you may wish to pursue as a career. Volunteering while studying can open further opportunities including paid work post-graduation and building connections in the legal industry.

In this guide you will find volunteering opportunities that range numerous areas of social justice including Indigenous, women's and environmental issues. Further we have also included internal opportunities that are ways for you to get involved in the law school and scholarships students can use to further an interest in an area of social justice.

If you have any queries about this guide, volunteering, or any areas of social justice that you would like the law school to be involved in, get in touch with us at justice@tuls.com.au

Amie Myhowycz (she/her) and Emily Bernal (she/her)



Emily Bernal



Amie Myhowycz

MEET THE SUBCOMMITTEE

Joey Harper (they/he)

I am a final year Arts/Law student majoring in English and Writing. I have previously volunteered at the Tasmanian Refugee Legal Service and the Australian Youth Climate Coalition and have a strong interest in advocacy for LGBTQ+ rights and issues. As a nonbinary and queer person myself, I feel it is fundamental now more than ever to continue living as my authentic self and helping others in that respect.



Olivia Bellchambers

Hi! I'm Olivia and I'm in my 4th year of study at UTAS, completing a combined Bachelor of Arts and Laws. I'm really excited to be on the Social Justice and Equity Sub-committee this year! Social justice has been a significant value and passion of mine, and I have appreciated the opportunity to be involved in various initiatives that advocate for the enactment and maintenance of social justice in society. Some of my areas of interest involve raising the age of criminal responsibility, as well as human rights for First Nations Australians, the LGBTQ+ community, women, refugees and asylum seekers, and individuals experiencing family violence. I'm really excited to utilise my passion this year by assisting to organise various events through the SJE sub-committee and I hope to see you all at the Diversity in Law Cocktail!

Hemapriya Manianveloo

Greetings, my name is Hema and I'm from the vibrant city-state of Singapore. Presently, I am pursuing my first semester in bachelor's of Law, with a deep-seated passion for social justice. My fervor emanates from a profound recognition of the numerous inequities and injustices that continue to plague our global community, and my unflinching belief in the fundamental principle that every individual deserves access to equal rights, opportunities, and equitable treatment.



Laura Harrison

My passion for social justice lies in areas of gender, racial and social inequality. I chose to pursue a law degree and career after living in the United States and both seeing and hearing about the injustices minority groups experience within the political landscape. I wanted to learn more about social justice back home in Australia and gain knowledge in areas that I am interested in, in the hope that I could make a difference.

KEY INFORMATION

The Social Justice and Volunteering Guide is an annual publication produced by TULS to ensure that law students know what opportunities are available to them. This guide contains information about internships, volunteering opportunities, as well as student profiles outlining current students' experiences. It is hoped that this guide will also provide some helpful tips in applying for any of these opportunities. Taking up these opportunities can set students apart later on as there is a general appreciation in the profession for law students who engage in a variety of extra-curricular activities. Additionally, the personal benefits can assist students to work out where their passions lay to ensure a rewarding career.

What is volunteering?

A volunteer is someone who acts for a not for profit organisation to benefit the community, freely and without coercion, for no financial gain. There are a number of benefits in volunteering for law students, such as actively helping to provide much needed services for those who are less fortunate and vulnerable in society. Students will also be exposed to the inner workings of a professional environment and gain practical skills. There is a lot of flexibility in volunteering as students' can usually choose the area and organisation in which they seek to volunteer, which allows for a more rewarding experience overall.

What is an internship?

An internship is an opportunity for students to gain practical experience in a particular field. This helps students gain an insight into the day to day workings of a profession from people within the profession. Internships can be structured in different ways, but commonly involve working on specific tasks or projects or 'shadowing' someone from the office. Internships in the legal field generally have formalised applications processes which are merits based. However, there are a number of smaller firms who will allow students in their penultimate or final year to do work experience. It should be noted that while many internships will be paid, some internships will be more voluntary and therefore, unpaid.

What is the public sector?

The public sector refers to employment within any form of Government. This can be at a federal, state/territory and local shire/council level.

What is the community sector?

The primary objective of the community sector is to improve the lives of those who are particularly vulnerable in society. The community sector aims to raise awareness, build relationships and advocacy through these community organisations. Community sector organisations are divided into three broad sub-groups:

Community organisations that are organised on a non-for-profit basis - which are local level, small and modestly funded, dependent on volunteers rather than paid employees, for example, neighbourhood watch.

Community organisation that are formal, independent of government and self governing - operate for a not-for-profit basis and rely on volunteer involvement, but will usually have an organised paid workforce, for example, large charities.

Social enterprises that are community based and owned - organisations which are primarily aimed at providing a community benefit and retuning a surplus for the purpose of reinvestment into the community, rather than for the benefit of shareholders and owners.



**SECTION TWO:
INTERNAL
OPPORTUNITIES**

LUMP

The Law Undergraduate Mentor Program (LUMP) is a casual mentoring program facilitated by TULS, but primarily run by the students themselves. First and second year mentees are paired up with third, fourth and fifth year mentors and pairs are then able to decide how they want to foster their mentor relationship throughout the year – whether its over a cup of coffee or zoom! The program is run on an entirely casual basis, and provides a great opportunity for mentees to learn more about life at law school and widen their networks. For mentors, this program provides an opportunity to impart wisdom to those in younger years, assisting them with integration into and their time at law school. LUMP is ideal for anyone seeking to enhance their experience at our law school and widen their networks but we encourage all students to get involved!

Interested students should approach their respective year representatives.

Being part of LUMP has been one of the best parts of university life this year. Getting to know my mentor has not only given me an opportunity to learn from him academically, but also personally through our friendship. LUMP has also connected me with more people across Law, which in turn has elevated the law school for me as not just a place of learning, but a community. - Jasper Madsen, 2nd year student.



This year I expressed my interest in being a LUMP Mentor; a program in which I was completely unfamiliar with, I was lucky enough to be paired up with Jasper. This has allowed for a newly established connection between different year levels that otherwise I would not been lucky enough to form. As a result from embarking on this venture with Jasper, I can safely say that this program is one of my highlights thus far, and is something I wish I was apart of at the beginning of my studies. Im very thankful for being paired up with Jasper, as I have learned so much about myself both academically, but more importantly outside of our studies and will aim to implement for the future. I recommend anyone interest in this program to get on board, as some of direct and indirect benefits of taking part are immeasurable. - William Heddle, 3rd year student

STUDENT LEGAL SERVICE

The Student Legal Service is a community legal service supported by the Tasmanian University Student Association, Youth Law Australia, the Law Faculty and a committee of UTAS students. Through our solicitor, Jessica Sabapathy, we provide free and confidential legal advice to all UTAS students. We can help you with almost any area of law, with migration, employment, tenancy and discrimination matters being amongst the most common people present with. Keep an eye out for our information sessions throughout the year and

don't miss out on our award-winning quiz night in Semester One!

Visit our website at www.tasstudentlegalservice.com to book an appointment or find out more about the service.

COMET

Community Engagement Tasmania (COMET) is a social justice initiative that aims to empower disadvantaged youths through legal education. COMET General Representatives run workshops at youth shelters and schools in the Greater Hobart areas to help disadvantaged youths to understand their legal rights and obligations. COMET covers a range of topics including police powers, drug offences, renting, employment and consent.

Due to the nature of COMET's work, we conduct a training session at the start of the year to ensure that all general representatives are adequately trained. As such, COMET is no longer recruiting members for 2023. If you would like to get involved, do look out for our 2024 recruitment in late Semester 2. Otherwise, please come to our Fundraisers to help us keep COMET running. There will be a Wine & Cheese Night in Semester 2!

For more information, check out our Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/CommunityEngagementTasmaniaSociety>

Or our Website here:

<https://www.utas.edu.au/law/study/community-engagement-tasmania-society-comet>

"As a part of COMET we teach disadvantaged youth about various aspects of the law. We go to shelters and schools in lower-socio economic areas where we run workshops in pairs. We use booklets that focus on select topics such as police powers, drug offences, consent and renting. COMET has taught me the value of legal knowledge and education, and the importance of passing that onto others. COMET has helped me decide that I really want to use my law degree to help people in the future with their own legal problems/educate them to avoid coming into contact with the legal system."

- Eleanor Linton (she/her)



INTERNATIONAL JUSTICE INITIATIVE

The International Justice Initiative ('IJI') enables students to experience the practice of international law and policy first-hand, through legal research, analysis and service in the public interest. It empowers a group of UTAS law students to tackle diverse issues of justice in the international arena, by contributing to the work of influential organisations and alumni on contemporary issues of international law.

Applications for 2024 open in November 2023 and are open to law students in third year or above who have an interest in international law and justice issues.

For more information, contact iji.utas@gmail.com.

SEALS

SEALS is the Student Environment and Animal Law Society. We are a law student driven society that is open to students from any discipline to join. We are dedicated to using the law to protect the environment and animals. We also use our voice to engage in issues of public concern, and it makes submissions to the government on law reform issues. SEALS provides legal and professional skills development, networking opportunities, and community legal education. We achieve these aims through public panels, workshops, seminars and fun social events.

For more information, contact:

Email: utas.seals@gmail.com.

Facebook: www.facebook.com/utas.seals

Instagram at www.instagram.com/utas_seals/.

“Before being involved with SEALS, I was nervous about my perceived lack of knowledge regarding the environment and thought that I wouldn’t be a good fit. However, I’ve quickly realised that it’s the little things that count, and every effort you make in understanding environmental or animal law is more important. Everyone has to start from somewhere, and I’ve been fortunate that the people I’ve met in SEALS have been patient and thoughtful in helping me understand the world in which we live in.

As long as you’ve got a passion for either animals or the environment, I highly recommend giving SEALS a try, it helped broaden my horizons in terms of career options and gave me more opportunities to connect with people who are deeply passionate about the environment. You don’t have to be a person that’s fully committed to pursuing a career in environmental or animal law, just the desire to learn more about it is more than enough.”

- Solomon Foo (he/him)

SOCIAL JUSTICE MOOTING

What social justice-based Competitions are available?

ANU Gender and Sexuality Moot

Baker McKenzie National Women’s Moot

Castan Centre for Human Rights Law Moot (please notify interest with competitions@tuls.com.au, contingent on the number of students trying out for Semester 2 Competitions)

Not only do mooting competitions help students develop their advocacy skills, you get to meet and interact with new people, including subject specific experts at the Law Faculty. You are exposed to important issues and new, evolving areas of law which can help you identify potential directions for your career.

“The central issue in our moot was whether New Zealand could hold Australia accountable for breaches of human rights regarding their legalisation of surgery on intersex children. This theme drew in multiple aspects, including specific articles under the ICCPR and the CROC, their relation to the medical practices as therapeutic versus cosmetic procedures, and whether Australia could be held accountable under international human rights law in the ICJ. The 2020 version of this moot considered legalised forms of gender and sexuality-based discrimination.”

- Zack Stephenson, ANU Gender and Sexuality Moot Participant, 2021.

If you would like to find out more, please consult with one of the competitions directors, email competitions@tuls.com.au, or visit the competitions guide at <https://www.tuls.com.au/>

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PLEASE NOTE:

Applications for all the following scholarships and bursaries generally open in semester two and close in October. Keep an eye on your emails and the UTAS Scholarships and Bursaries website for when applications open!

SANDY DUNCANSON SOCIAL JUSTICE BURSARY

Alexander (Sandy) Duncanson died in June 2010 at the age of 37, after living with cancer for sixteen years. Sandy was a graduate of the Faculty of Law at the University of Tasmania. Strongly influenced by his experience as a law student visiting asylum seekers at Woomera Detention Centre in 2002, Sandy's professional life was dedicated to advancing social justice. Sandy was widely respected for his work in the community legal and housing sectors, where he acted as an advocate for the vulnerable. The family and friends of Sandy Duncanson have worked with University staff who taught or knew Sandy to raise money to establish an endowed fund in his name, to provide support to students passionate about social justice in perpetuity.

Eligibility

Available to a student in any area of study with a demonstrated commitment to social justice. Social justice is based on the concepts of human rights and equality. Scholarship applicants must outline a social justice project or activity, and explain how they would use the scholarship to implement the project or activity. The project or activity can involve working with an established organisation on a recognised issue or involve an entirely new initiative.

Applicants are required to submit an outline of their proposal a budget outline, the timeframe for the project and to describe the difference they hope the project will make to their life and in a broader social context.

The Sandy Duncanson Social Justice Fund links closely with the annual Sandy Duncanson Social Justice Lecture which invites eminent speakers to address the subject of social justice and related matters. The successful applicants for this scholarship will be expected to provide a short-written project update report half way through their project and make a short (5 minute) presentation at the 2023 Lecture. For further information, please contact Scholarships and Prizes - U.Connect@utas.edu.au. For previous guest speakers see <https://www.utas.edu.au/events/featured/sandy-duncanson>

On-going Eligibility

To retain this award, recipients are required to achieve a minimum Pass result in all units studied each semester.

Amount

Up to \$2,500 for project or activity costs

Duration

One year

ZOE EWART MEMORIAL UNIVERSITY OF TASMANIA SCHOLARSHIP IN LAW

This scholarship was established by Rhonda Ewart, a member of the University community, to honour the memory of her mother, Zoe Ewart. The scholarship encourages talented students to explore legal and social justice issues at tertiary level.

Eligibility

Available to a student who is enrolling in their second year of study in Semester 1, 2023 and intending to complete a law degree. Applicants should have completed the first year of a degree including the units 'Foundations of Law' and 'Legal Reasoning and Technological Change' and must address their interest in legal and social justice issues in their application. Preference is for a student who was educated in the Tasmanian school system. The award cannot be held with another University of Tasmania scholarship.

On-going Eligibility

To retain this award, recipients are required to achieve a minimum **DISTINCTION** result in all units studied each semester.

Amount

\$3,000 per year

Duration

Up to four years



JOHN KABLE MEMORIAL TASMANIA UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP IN LAW

This scholarship is provided by the estate of the late John Kable QC, a noted Tasmanian barrister.

Eligibility

Available to a student who will have successfully completed first year of full-time study in 2022 and will be enrolling full-time in second year of the Bachelor of Laws, or a combined degree that includes Bachelor of Laws in 2023 at the University of Tasmania. Eligible students must have completed the units International Law, Torts, Foundations of Law, and Legal Reasoning and Technological Change. The successful student must have also been educated in the Tasmanian state school system and wishes to practise law.

On-going Eligibility

To retain this award, recipients are required to achieve a Credit (5.0/7.0) cumulative grade point average (CGPA) at the end of each semester, with no less than a minimum Pass mark in each unit.

Amount

\$5,000 per year (either as cash or paid towards HECS fees)

Duration

Up to four years

TIM HAWKINS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship is provided in memory of Tim Hawkins, a commerce/law graduate of the University who was tragically killed in the Bali bombing in 2002. The scholarship will allow the recipient to take up a position of Legal Assistant in the Prosecutor's Office for 10-12 months at the International Criminal Court in The Hague.

Eligibility

Available to a University of Tasmania law graduate, or current law undergraduate, who has completed an international law unit. The recipient must be available to take up the position in The Hague for a period of ten to twelve months.

Amount

Up to \$25,000 (plus the cost of a return economy airfare from nearest capital city to The Hague up to \$3,000)

Duration

Ten to twelve months

TAKAMUNA ROSIE SMITH LAW SCHOLARSHIP

Rosie Smith is a well-respected Aboriginal leader and holds a law degree from UTAS. She is one of the first Aboriginal people to be admitted as a Solicitor/Barrister in Tasmania.

Rosie's educational journey started at Adult Education classes at her local Neighbourhood House, before enrolling in Welfare Studies at TAFE. While working on public housing issues as a Family Support and Legal Aid Field Officer at the Tasmanian Aboriginal Centre, Rosie decided to enroll in a law/arts degree.

During her final year of study in 1994, Rosie was awarded the State NAIDOC Aboriginal Scholar of the Year award and the National NAIDOC Aboriginal Scholar of the Year.

Rosie played a key role in the establishment of the Koori Courts of Victoria, holding senior positions from 2003 to 2016. She completed a Master of Public Health in 2005, while working at the Koori Courts. Rosie returned to nipaluna in 2016 to a position in the Medical School at the University of Tasmania as the Aboriginal Health Careers Promotion Officer until her retirement in 2021.

The scholarship is awarded to an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander commencing their first year of a law or combined law degree. The scholarship provides financial support and internships and clinical placements at Tasmania Legal Aid over the four years of the law degree. This will build practice knowledge and understanding of the legal system and introduce them to the Tasmanian legal profession, helping to create employment pathways.

Eligibility

Funding for the Takamuna Rosie Smith Law Scholarship is provided by the Federal Government to assist Indigenous students with costs associated with university study. For Government reporting purposes, the scholarship is considered by the Government to be an Indigenous Commonwealth Education Costs Scholarship (ICECS).

The general eligibility for the scholarship is that recipients must - be an Australian citizen; be of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent; be from a low socio-economic background; be studying a minimum of 12.5 credit points per semester at UTAS; and not be in receipt of a Centrelink Start-up Loan or Centrelink Start-up Scholarship.

As part of the Takamuna Scholarships for Educational Costs x 1 student will be awarded the Takumuna Rosie Smith Law Scholarship. The scholarship is awarded to an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander commencing their first year of a law or combined law degree. The recipient will be required to participate in supervised placements in each year of study.

On-going Eligibility

To retain this award, recipients are required to achieve a minimum Pass result in all units studied each semester.

Amount

Up to \$5,000 (\$625 per 12.5 credit points)

Duration

Up to four years

FEDERATION SCHOLARSHIP IN LAW

The Federation Scholarships are available to current University of Tasmania law students to encourage them to study abroad. The number and value of scholarships may vary each year.

Eligibility

Available to assist with the costs associated with travel for study in an approved international exchange program. Students must have completed a certain component of the law degree before being eligible to go on exchange. Assessment will be based on academic standing, leadership, and details provided in relation to the overseas study the applicant wishes to undertake. Further information is available email uconnect@utas.edu.au or phone 1300 363 864.

Amount

Up to \$1,500

Duration

One semester

E H THOMPSON ANNUAL FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship was endowed by the late Edmund Harvie Thompson to support students entering the Tasmanian School of Business and Economics or the Faculty of Law.

Eligibility

Available to a full-time student commencing study in an undergraduate degree in Business, Economics or Law in the first half of 2023. Selection will be based on the applicant's TCE/ATAR results in mathematics and humanities subjects.

On-going Eligibility

To retain this award, recipients are required to achieve a minimum Pass result in all units studied each semester, achieve one Distinction during each year and continue full-time study.

Amount

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In 2021 and 2022, Butler McIntyre & Butler, offered a work experience placement for two students having completed fourth year. The successful candidates spent two weeks at Butler McIntyre & Butler and the opportunity to observe client interviews, court appearances and undertake research and tasks on client files. It is intended that the same opportunity will be advertised in late September 2023, for two students to spend two weeks at Butler McIntyre & Butler, in late November.

Butler McIntyre & Butler, also has a long history with supporting the Graduate Legal Practice Course conducted at the Centre for Legal Education and has employed graduates from the University of Tasmania Legal Practice course each year. In 2022, Butler McIntyre and Butler employed 4 graduates from the Legal Practice course. Butler McIntyre and Butler strives to offer a supportive ongoing learning environment for graduates transitioning into legal practice and throughout their legal career.

For more information on Butler McIntyre & Butler please visit our website www.bmbtas.com or contact our Managing Partner, Alison Wells at awells@bmbtas.com.

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HOBART COMMUNITY LEGAL SERVICE

The Hobart Community Legal Service is a community organisation whose aims are to foster community awareness of the law, make the law more equitable and accessible and provide limited free legal advice to the general public in southern Tasmania. Law students can volunteer as Coordinators of free legal information sessions approximately once every eight weeks. In some situations, volunteer students can be given an opportunity to sit in on interviews. Due to COVID-19, they are not currently running.

For more information: <https://www.hobartlegal.org.au/how-we-canhelp/free-legal-information-evenings/>. Expressions of interest should be sent via email to The Director at jane@hobartlegal.org.au.

LAUNCESTON COMMUNITY LEGAL SERVICE

Launceston Community Legal Centre provides free legal advice to members of the Northern Tasmanian community, prioritising those who are vulnerable or experiencing financial disadvantage. The LCLC is a State and Federal government funded 'not for profit' organisation and clients may have to meet eligibility requirements for representation. In the first instance, LCLC provides one off advice to clients, which can include but is not limited to, such matters as wills, power of attorney, debt, contract, consumer rights, boundary fences, restraint orders, employment or unfair dismissal issues, family law issues, welfare rights issues and disability discrimination issues. We also provide a Legal Literacy program, which can assist people with filling in forms, understanding documents and referral to additional services.

Interested students should email the Principal Solicitor, Jessamy Downie at: Jess.Downie@lcl.net.au

OAKTREE AUSTRALIA

Oaktree is a youth-led international development organisation, leading a global vision to see a just and sustainable world by investing in young, grassroots changemakers and the power of youth solidarity. We achieve this in three ways: we shift resources and capacity to grassroots youth-and-community-led movements through our Oaktree Youth Solidarity Fund annually; we organise campaigns and advocate to politicians to increase federal aid to empower young people across the Asia-Pacific, and; we are entirely youth-led and largely volunteer-driven.

You can join express your interest to join our movement here: <https://www.oaktree.org/>

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AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL

Amnesty International Australia is a proud People Powered movement founded on the work of volunteers and activists all around the country. We're passionate and dedicated individuals who refuse to stand by when human rights are at threat and who demand dignity, freedom, justice and equality for all. By refusing to stay silent in the face of injustice, our volunteers and activists have helped change the lives of people whose human rights have been denied.

Whether you're ready to volunteer on a regular basis or you can only commit once in a while, whether you're new to the world of activism and volunteering or are a veteran volunteer with a host of skills you can bring to the table, there's lots of different ways to get involved with us and make an impact!

We regularly post about volunteer roles that we are recruiting for on the website here. We also hold regular 'Get Active: Intro to Activism webinars' about the work we do and how to get more involved as an activist. They're pretty relaxed and informal sessions that will give you a good sense of the different options available. Details of the Get Active sessions (and all our other great webinars) can be found on our Activism Planner.

CITY MISSION

City Mission is a well-respected organisation with over 400 employees and volunteers. We seek to provide assistance to all who have a physical, emotional, social or spiritual need, through a variety of services and programs.

Volunteering positions would be on an ongoing basis, and would be great for students over the semester breaks from the north of the state, in particular Launceston and on the North-West Coast. Interested students should visit the City Mission website: <https://www.citymission.org.au/>

COLONY 47

Colony 47 is a not-for-profit Tasmanian organisation that provides support to over 20,000 Tasmanian children, young people and families every year. Colony 47 has many programs that arise throughout the year with a need for volunteer assistance—these could be anything from assisting young people with homework projects to cooking with members in our drop in centre kitchen. All applications are assessed for suitability against vacant positions.

For further information and to apply:

<http://www.colony47.com.au/getinvolved/volunteer>

MIGRANT RESOURCE CENTRE

Migrant Resource Centre Tasmania (MRC Tas) is a not-for-profit organisation that supports and empowers migrants and refugees to settle and live fulfilling lives in Tasmania. Our focus is on meeting the needs of migrants, humanitarian entrants, and refugees through effective, targeted, and meaningful services. We provide services in Hobart and Launceston.

We offer a range of volunteering opportunities, including: Support for humanitarian entrants as they settle in Tasmania

- Driver mentors – on-the-road practice for learner drivers (Hobart only)
- Homework, study and activity support with our Multicultural Youth Tasmania (MYT) participants
- Individual and group social support with older clients (Hobart only)
- Support for clients to be social engaged and active participants in the community
- English conversation, employment-ready support, digital literacy and other skill building activities

To volunteer you will need a current National Police Check and Working with Vulnerable People Registration. MRC Tas is committed to child safety. All volunteers must complete mandatory child safety training.


For more information on volunteering please email volunteers@mrcetas.org.au

PRISONER'S LEGAL SERVICE (PLS)

The Prisoners Legal Service is a free service for unrepresented prisoners and their families. The PLS assists with internal prison concerns such as disciplinary matters, visitation rights, education and prison employment issues, prison transfers, remission calculations, mental and physical health concerns, and many other human rights and prison legal issues. The PLS also assists with parole applications, parole breaches, and community corrections queries.

In 2023, the Prisoners Legal Service will be delivering a new project to prisoners called the Preventative Lawyering Program (PLP). This is the first service of its type to be offered to prisoners in Tasmania and seeks to work proactively with clients to anticipate and avoid future legal matters.

Volunteers will have the opportunity to assist with the delivery of the Preventative Lawyering Program in 2023 and participate in general PLS work. All PLS work is overseen by Mr Greg Barns SC.



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RED CROSS AUSTRALIA

Red Cross Australia is a member of the International Red Cross Red Crescent Movement - the world's largest humanitarian network. Neutral and impartial, the Movement prevents and alleviates human suffering.

Red Cross is continually developing ways to engage the skills and knowledge of volunteers across the whole organisation. The focus of other Australian Red Cross initiatives includes providing mental health support and education and assisting people in aged care.

Interested students should visit the website: <http://volunteering.redcross.org.au/>

CAPITAL PUNISHMENT JUSTICE PROJECT

Capital Punishment Justice Project (formerly Reprieve Australia) stands for a world without the death penalty – in all circumstances for all people. CPJP works with our partner organisations, volunteers, the Australian public, and key stakeholders to develop legal and policy solutions that help save lives. We help people who are facing the death penalty access legal expertise, humanitarian assistance, diplomatic guidance, and support for their family members. This is achieved through strong relationships with anti-death penalty organisations, lawyers and advocates, to best support them in the work they do. We also work to ensure that Australia's well-documented policy against the death penalty is upheld, always, and conduct advocacy to raise awareness of issues concerning the death penalty.

One of the most effective and immediate way to assist those on death row is through the allocation of practical resources – dedicated and skilled volunteers. Since we began in 2001, CPJP has sent volunteers to work at capital defence offices, where they conduct research, manage and file materials, visit prisons and meet with witnesses and families. We are currently calling for expressions of interest for volunteers from Australia to be placed with organisations in the United States by contacting overseas.volunteers@cpjp.org.au.

UN YOUTH AUSTRALIA

UN Youth Australia is a national youth-led organisation that aims to educate and empower young Australians on global issues. If you want to start getting involved in our state branch, UN Youth Tasmania, you can apply to be a facilitator at one of our State events, organise school visits and summits, and have the opportunity to meet hundreds of like-minded people nationwide.

If students are interested, please email: tashr@unyouth.org.au.

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YOUTH NETWORK OF TASMANIA (YNOT)

The Youth Network of Tasmania (YNOT) is the peak body for young people aged 12-25 years and the youth sector in Tasmania.

Our vision is a Tasmania where all young people are valued and can achieve anything. YNOT works with young people, the youth sector, the community and all levels of government to increase the participation and contribution of young people in the State.

As an independent not-for-profit organisation, YNOT provides a strong voice and support to young people and the youth sector through youth participation and engagement, policy advice, advocacy and representation and sector development support.

For more information visit our website www.ynot.org.au or contact us at tyf@ynot.org.au or 0488 235 511.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL

As a volunteer-run organisation, the work of the St Vincent de Paul Society is largely carried out by members of the community who generously give their time to help others. Loui's Van is an after-hours mobile service providing food, information and support to those in need. Volunteers are involved in all aspects of the Van's operation – from making the soup to operating on the street.

To volunteer, please call (03) 6333 0822 or email admin@vinniestas.org.au.

Interested students should visit the website for more information: [https://www.vinnies.org.au/page/Contact s/TAS/](https://www.vinnies.org.au/page/Contact%20s/TAS/)

TENANTS UNION OF TASMANIA

The Tenants' Union of Tasmania is a not-for-profit community legal service providing information, advice and representation to residential tenants living throughout Tasmania. We also offer community legal education and training and advocate for the improvement of residential tenants' rights.

We have volunteers, mainly law students who provide legal advice to tenants on the telephone. Volunteers commit to one shift per week of around 2.5 hours. Training is provided and there is always a friendly lawyer around if you don't know the answer. We ask that volunteers commit to at least one Semester.

For more information please contact Benedict Bartl, Principal Solicitor, Tenants' Union of Tasmania on ben@tenantstas.org.au

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TASMANIAN REFUGEE LEGAL SERVICE

The Tasmanian Refugee Legal Service (TRLS) is a not-for-profit organisation, established to provide free migration-related legal services to refugees, asylum seekers, and other humanitarian entrants in the Tasmanian community. TRLS is the only dedicated refugee, asylum seeker and humanitarian entrant legal service in Tasmania. TRLS also offers services through its Family Violence Migration Service (FVMS) for those on temporary visas who are experiencing family violence.

TRLS aims to provide an opportunity for UTAS law students to gain practical skills, information and assistance in the provision of the work of TRLS.

For further information, please visit the website: www.trls.org.au, our face book page at <https://www.facebook.com/rlstasmania/>, or contact Jarin at jarin.white@trls.org.au

"TRLS is a fun, friendly and a relaxed workplace. I volunteer once a week for about 3 to 4 hours and it's been an absolutely amazing experience. I help with drafting statutory declarations, country information reports, visa forms and with other general admin work. Clients at TRLS are very diverse and multicultural and most importantly a majority of them have undergone some adverse situations like war. Helping them get a visa also means that their lives will change for the better which is rewarding. Being an international student myself I know the struggle some people undergo when a visa is rejected.

Getting the opportunity to work on a case out of uni is also an invaluable experience. I highly encourage and recommend TRLS to anybody who's interested in this type of work.

Contributing to an organisation that changes lives is always worthwhile." - Yosheena De Zoysa



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WORKER ASSIST

Worker Assist provides assistance, information and advice to injured Tasmanian workers in the following areas: Workers Compensation Claims under the Tasmanian scheme; Return to Work and Rehabilitation following a workplace injury; Claims under the Asbestos Related Diseases Compensation Fund.

We can assist with a range of enquiries, including: How do I lodge a claim for compensation? Are there any time limits in lodging a claim? What entitlements do I receive if I lodge a claim? What happens if my claim is disputed? What are my rights and responsibilities regarding returning to work?

Understanding the Worker's Compensation system can be difficult and confusing. It is our aim to make the process easier to understand and provide you with guidance on your rights and responsibilities. We are seeking enthusiastic volunteers to assist us with our call back program. The aim of this program is to help bridge the gap between injured workers and the workers compensation scheme. We aim to call back all clients who have enquired about lodging a claim and touch base to determine how their claim has progressed and whether we are able to offer further assistance. We are also seeking volunteers to help with general admin tasks, intake calls, preparing for community education events and social media content. If you are interested in applying for a volunteer position, please contact our case officer Sarah Hollister, at sarah@workerassist.org.au.

"I have been volunteering at Worker Assist for over a year. It has provided me with real life experiences through their call back program and speaking to clients has helped me understand the law surrounding workers rights. I go into the office once or twice a week where I answer client calls, call clients to check on the progression of their claim, and sit in with case officers giving legal advice to clients.

Worker Assist has provided me with invaluable experience and allowed me to even get a short-term job there. It has been a privilege to help clients get back on their feet after a workers compensation injury and it is rewarding seeing their positive outcomes. With Worker Assist being a free service to clients, it is easy to see why volunteering at Worker Assist is worth doing." - Ella Harrison (she/her)



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Drew Hawkes, 2022 Law Graduate

Key dates

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Sunday 13 August 2023

Interviews:
September 2023

Offer day:
Wednesday 18 October 2023

Key contact

Hayley Brown
Human Resources Manager
hbrown@abl.com.au

abl.com.au/careers

ENVIRONMENTAL WELFARE

AUSTRALIAN EARTH LAWS ALLIANCE (AELA)

The Australian Earth Laws Alliance (AELA) is a national not-for-profit organisation whose mission is to increase the understanding and practical implementation of Earth-centred governance in Australia, with a focus on law, economics, education, ethics and the arts. AELA's work is inspired by the theory and practice of Earth jurisprudence, which is a governance philosophy and growing social movement. Earth jurisprudence proposes that we rethink our legal, political, economic and governance systems so that they support, rather than undermine, the integrity and health of the Earth.

For further information, please visit the website: <https://www.earthlaws.org.au/> or contact aela@earthlaws.org.au

AUSTRALIAN YOUTH CLIMATE COALITION (AYCC)

AYCC is building a generation-wide movement to solve the climate crisis. We have groups around the country who educate, empower, inspire, and mobilise young people in their local areas. We're campaigning to keep public money out of gas and we've organised rallies, met with politicians, run community engagement campaigns, and so much more!

Interested students can join the movement of young change makers today at www.aycc.org.au/nipaluna

CONSERVATION VOLUNTEERS AUSTRALIA

We have a range of events in the Tasmanian Region - we list all our events on our website, under the "Criteria" section select TAS, and this will narrow the search to only the Tasmania Region:

<https://volunteerportal.conservationvolunteers.com.au/s/make-booking>

ENVIRONMENTAL WELFARE

ENVIRONMENTAL DEFENDERS OFFICE

Environmental Defenders Office (EDO) is the largest environmental legal centre in the Australia Pacific, a not-for-profit community legal centre dedicated to protecting our climate, communities and shared environment. EDO's team of expert lawyers run powerful legal cases on behalf of clients that build stronger environmental laws, as well as helping everyday Australians protect the places they love by offering free, or low cost, legal advice about community environmental matters.

EDO's lutruwita/Tasmania practice runs a number of volunteer intakes each year. To find out more and apply for these volunteer positions visit <https://www.edo.org.au/volunteer-with-us-2/>. If there are no current volunteer positions advertised, register your interest in volunteering with us by completing this form <https://www.cognitoforms.com/EDOLtd1/EDOVolunteerExpressionOfInterestForm>.

"On appreciation of the practice of environmental law in Tasmania, and in Australia more broadly. I was able to develop my knowledge of not only administrative law, but also other practice areas such as civil procedure, civil law and planning law. I also believe my internship allowed me to improve my real-world legal research and communication skills. I was often asked by the EDO's lawyers to research case law, legislation and relevant policy and apply my research in written memos of advice in relation to a given case. As an intern, I was also tasked with helping research, write and edit law reform submission and initiatives in relation to water resource management, planning policy, right to information reform and other environmental law-related topics." - George Grover (he/him)



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EQUALITY TASMANIA

Equality Tasmania is Tasmania's chief advocacy and lobbying organisation for LGBTIQ+ equality. We are also Australia's oldest.

We are seeking volunteers interested in contributing to legislative drafting, law reform advocacy, legal education and legal assistance for LGBTIQ+ Tasmanians.

TASPRIDE

TasPride is here to support, unite, champion and celebrate our lives, goals, achievements and love. Every February we host the colourful TasPride Festival as well as several other events throughout the year. We also promote a wide range of activities produced all year round by the many LGBTIQ organisations in Tasmania.

For more information, interested students can visit: <https://www.taspride.com/>

WORKING IT OUT

Working It Out is Tasmania's sexuality, gender and intersex status support and education service. Working It Out provides support and advocacy services for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, intersex and queer (LGBTIQ+) Tasmanians and education and training programmes to schools, workplaces, government and non-government organisations. Our mission is about honouring people's diverse experiences to achieve inclusive understanding for LGBTIQ+ Tasmanians.

For more information please visit: <https://www.workingitout.org.au/home/> or contact info@workingitout.org.au



DISABILITY RIGHTS



AUSTRALIAN CENTRE FOR DISABILITY LAW (ACDL)

ACDL is a community legal centre assisting people with disability in New South Wales with legal matters in relation to disability discrimination and other civil legal matters. ACDL relies on volunteers to run our Advice line and support our solicitors by obtaining information from clients and undertaking case work. Volunteering provides penultimate and final year law students and graduates undertaking their PLT with a unique opportunity to put their studies into practice. Volunteers must be able to commit to attending the Centre on two days per week for a period of at least 6 months. Admitted solicitors are also welcome to apply. We often have new intakes for volunteers in May and November each year. Volunteers are required to work from our Sydney office. Expressions of interest can be forwarded to us at recruitment@disabilitylaw.org.au

DISABILITY ADVOCATE NETWORK AUSTRALIA

DANA is the national representative body for a network of advocacy organisations throughout Australia. DANA's vision is of a nation that includes and values people with disabilities and respects human rights for all. DANA's mission is to strengthen and support disability advocacy organisations across Australia. The organisation provides employment and volunteer opportunities for law graduates in a wide variety of practice and locations.

For further information, please email ceo@dana.org.au



PHYSICAL AND MENTAL HEALTH

ANGLICARE

Anglicare Tasmania is the largest community service organisation in the state and relies heavily on volunteers to provide services such as mental health support, home care and community aged care, alcohol and other drug rehabilitation services, and more. Given the various services provided by Anglicare, there are a number of opportunities for students to volunteer. If interested, please reach out to Anglicare via email at anglicareHR@anglicare.tas.org.au or call us on 1800 243 232. You can also visit our website at anglicare-tas.org.au.

CANCER COUNCIL LEGAL RESEARCH COUNCIL

The Cancer Council Legal Research Council is an excellent opportunity for law students to get involved in legal work and gain some experience. If you are a law student in your penultimate year (or above) or you are looking to do a Practical Legal Training work experience placement, the Cancer Council Legal and Financial Planning Referral Service offers volunteer legal internships. Additionally, there are many non-legal volunteering options found through the website: <https://www.cancerCouncil.org.au/Volunteers/>

LIFELINE TASMANIA

When you volunteer with us, you'll join a dynamic group of more than 300 volunteers working together to prevent suicide and improve the mental wellbeing of all Tasmanians. From supporting our 24/7 crisis support line (13 11 14) to building friendships with isolated older Tasmanians, right through to working in our retail stores; Lifeline Tasmania is a great place to start or continue your volunteering journey.

For more information on volunteering opportunities head to: www.lifelinetasmania.org.au or contact: volunteers@lifelinetasmania.org.au

PHYSICAL AND MENTAL HEALTH

RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE HOBART

Ronald McDonald House Hobart gives children receiving treatment the best gift of all – their families. Our warm and supportive home-away-from-home provides the whole family with a comfortable place to stay and peace of mind, knowing they can stay together and close to the Royal Hobart Hospital.

Thanks to our amazing army of over 60 volunteers, we're able to accommodate families 24 hours a day, every day of the year. Keeping the family together can be extremely tough without support, which is why we offer accommodation for parents with seriously ill kids who need to travel to the Royal Hobart Hospital for treatment. Our House also supports mothers going through high-risk pregnancies. Priority is given to families whose children have been recently diagnosed, seriously injured or who require emergency treatment, as well as families of premature babies.

If you would like to assist us by volunteering, please kindly contact Megan Nixon, House Coordinator, on Megan.Nixon@rmhc.org.au

TASMANIAN CIVIL AND ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL (TASCAT)

The Tasmanian Civil and Administrative Tribunal is a specialist, state-wide Tribunal providing Tasmanians with fair and efficient dispute resolution services across a broad range of areas of the law. The Tribunal is comprised of the Mental Health, Guardianship, Resources and Planning, Personal Compensation, Anti-Discrimination, Health Practitioners and Forestry Practices Streams.

For more information regarding volunteering opportunities visit www.tascat.tas.gov.au or email tascat@tascat.tas.gov.au.

TASCAHRD

The Tasmanian Council on AIDS, Hepatitis, and Related Diseases (TasCAHRD) is the peak Tasmanian community organisation on HIV and viral hepatitis. TasCAHRD works towards the elimination of blood-borne viruses and associated stigma and discrimination, providing services that promote the health and well-being of people living with, affected by or at risk of HIV and hepatitis. Volunteers can register for Bloodwise training to learn about blood borne viruses and associated stigma. Please contact health@tascahrd.org.au or; projects@tascahrd.org.au or; mail@tascahrd.org.au.

FIRST NATIONS

AURORA INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

The Aurora Internship Program offers full time internships for 4-6 weeks or part-time equivalents at organisations working to support Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.

Aurora supports Indigenous and selected non-Indigenous interns to develop practical skills, gain real-world career experience and build professional networks. The Internship program provides funded internships for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander participants to cover costs associated with travel, accommodation and living expenses.

We run a summer and a winter round each year, with applications opening in March and August. Winter placements run from June through August, with flexibility through to October. Summer placements run from November through to the third week of December; and January through March, with flexibility through May.

For more info on how and when to apply, please check out our FAQs: <https://aurorafoundation.com.au/our-work/internship-program/resources/>

RIAWUNNA CENTRE

The Riawunna Centre at UTAS is focused on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander student success, providing a culturally welcoming space for students to study. As part of their support, the centre runs a tutoring program for First Nations students. Tutoring requires an availability of up to 3 hours per student (or group) per unit per week, and flexible schedules are desired, especially around exam time. Students who are of sound academic progress are encouraged to get involved. As well as making a difference for students, you will also be remunerated for your valuable time.

Riawunna is always on the lookout for new law tutors, so if you are looking to make a difference, support your peers, and advance your professional and leadership skills, head to: <https://tutoring.utas.edu.au/>

'I loved tutoring at Riawunna. You will be matched with a student studying units you have taken in the past, and you arrange a time each week to go over content, prepare for quizzes or exams, and tackle assignments. If you are doing well in your studies, tutoring is a great way to use your knowledge to help other students succeed. I found it really rewarding to support someone else to learn and see the spark of understanding in their eyes when it all comes together. I also developed hugely as a communicator, learning to be empathetic and patient, explain things in different ways and leave space for the student'

Laura Smith (she/her) | Former Riawunna Tutor



FIRST NATIONS

SEED INDIGENOUS YOUTH CLIMATE NETWORK

Seed is Australia's first Indigenous youth climate network. We are building a movement of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people for climate justice with the Australian Youth Climate Coalition.

Our vision is for a just and sustainable future with strong cultures and communities, powered by renewable energy. Interested students can visit: <https://www.seedmob.org.au/>

TASMANIAN ABORIGINAL LEGAL SERVICE

The Tasmanian Aboriginal Legal Service (TALS) was established in 2020, marking the return of ownership of Tasmanian Aboriginal legal services to our community and state. We now have the governance and leadership platform that enables us to determine our own future. TALS specialises in criminal, civil, and family law for Aboriginal people in our state. TALS also operates a family violence prevention legal service called "SiS". We provide culturally safe, holistic and appropriate services that are inclusive and open to all Aboriginal Tasmanians. We aim to be an advocate for justice, equality and human rights for all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders in Tasmania. Anyone who has any questions about the service or who wants to see if there are any opportunities available, please contact us at tals@tals.net.au or by telephone 1800 595 162.

WOMEN'S RIGHTS AND WELFARE

ENGENDER EQUALITY

Engender Equality is a community-based organisation that specialises in providing quality professional counselling to victim-survivors of family and domestic violence. Engender Equality also acts as a representative of gender-based violence which is achieved through attending policy and sector meetings, writing submissions and completing small targeted projects to raise awareness. Engender Equality is for victim-survivors of all genders. Expressions of interest: phone (03) 6278 9090 or email admin@engenderequality.org.au.

HOBART WOMEN'S SHELTER

The Hobart Women's Shelter's core business is providing safe, emergency accommodation and support to women and children who are affected by all forms of violence and those who are homeless. We provide support and a coordinated approach to address their housing, legal, emotional support, health, education, employment, financial support and other needs. Interested students should email: volunteer@hobartws.org.au.

WOMEN'S LEGAL SERVICE

Women's Legal Service Tasmania operates a free and statewide legal service for women, with offices in Hobart, Burnie and Launceston. We provide advice and referrals, representation, community legal education and outreach, as well as financial counselling and social support. We aim to be trauma-informed, integrated, and client-focused. Our main areas of focus are family law, family violence, child safety, and legal issues that may cause unjust outcomes for women.

Limited volunteers are accepted from the University of Tasmania Practical Legal Training course annually, although applicants from other institutions will be considered.

Other volunteer opportunities may be available upon enquiry. Expressions of interest should be sent via email to admin@womenslegaltas.org.au.



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**SECTION FOUR:
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VOLUNTEERING RIGHTS AND RESOURCES

WHAT IS VOLUNTEERING?

Volunteering Australia defines volunteering as time willingly given for the common good without financial gain'. The indicia to establish whether an activity can be regarded as voluntary work was mentioned in the State of the World's Volunteerism Report 2011 and included:

- Free will: It means that any action made by an individual must be the product of their free will, not as an imposition stipulated by law, contract, or academic requirement; therefore, community service or custodial sentence for criminal offences, for example, is not in the scope of voluntary work.
- Non-financial reward: Voluntary work must be done without not the expectation of financial gain. However, some reimbursement for expenses or stipend-type payments, or payments in kind such as the provision of meals and transport, may be justified. This kind of payment can work as an incentive to make voluntary work more accessible and inclusive.
- Common good: It should directly or indirectly benefit people outside the family or household or else benefit a cause.

The term 'volunteering' covers a wide diversity of activities in Australian society. It includes formal volunteering within organisations (including institutions and agencies) in a structured way and informal volunteering, which takes place outside the context of a formal organisation.

It is important to highlight that the volunteers cannot be exploited for profit or be used to replace paid employment.

VOLUNTEER'S RIGHTS

While most voluntary work is done without expecting anything in exchange, there are nevertheless some minimum standards that entities organising voluntary work must provide to volunteers, such as:

- Working in a healthy and safe environment.
- Working in an equal opportunity and anti-discrimination environment.
- Not having to work in a position previously held by a paid worker.
- Having your confidential and personal information dealt with under the principles of the Privacy Act 1988.
- Being provided with sufficient training to do your voluntary job.

VOLUNTEERING RIGHTS AND RESOURCES



USEFUL LINKS

- Volunteering Australia - <https://www.volunteeringaustralia.org>
- Volunteering Tasmania - <https://www.volunteeringtas.org.au/#/>
- A Guide to Work Health and Safety for Volunteers - <https://www.safeworkaustralia.gov.au/doc/essential-guide-work-health-and-safety-volunteers>
- National Volunteer Guide - <https://www.volunteeringaustralia.org/resources/national-volunteer-guide/>
- Justice Connect - <https://www.nfplaw.org.au/free-resources/managing-people/managing-volunteers>
- 2022 State of the World's Volunteerism Report - <https://swvr2022.unv.org>

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- Volunteering Australia - https://www.volunteeringaustralia.org/wp-content/files_mf/1376971192VAVolunteerRightsandchecklist.pdf
- Go Volunteer - <https://govolunteer.com.au/about-volunteering/volunteering-guidelines>