



This is the  
future of law

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# Leap into the future

Swinburne Law is as much about innovation as it is about solid foundations.

Be prepared for the legal world of tomorrow – artificial intelligence, big data, cybersecurity and more – with a degree that explores how technology is transforming legal practice.

You'll focus on legal tech, commercial law and intellectual property law, and learn how to protect the rights of those who create and innovate. Plus, gain a solid grounding with core units in Constitutional Law, Contract Law and Criminal Law.

Most importantly, your critical and analytical skills will be honed so that you graduate with a nimble and inquiring mind – still the best tool for a world of rapid change.



## Three professional placements

Real work experience prepares you for real work. At Swinburne, you'll undertake three 20-day placements. Get a taste of different legal settings, or, if you know your area of interest, choose three focused placements.

## Small classes

You'll benefit from small class sizes and a personalised learning experience. Teachers and staff will know your name, their advice and professional development opportunities will be tailored to you.

## The only dual award in Victoria

Shave six months, or even a year, off your studies by enrolling in the Graduate Diploma of Legal Practice while completing your final year of the Bachelor of Laws. Swinburne is the only university in Victoria that offers this, and it means that you can be admitted into legal practice on the day you graduate.



# Experiential and future focused learning

## Legal tech advantage

Law graduates need to be prepared for the complex legal challenges and opportunities that await them.

There is a big demand for legal professionals with a solid understanding of legal tech and intellectual property (IP).

Our Bachelor of Laws program (LLB) has been designed with technology at the forefront – to create the kind of graduates the industry is searching for and give you a competitive advantage for future career opportunities.

**23% of a lawyer's job can be automated.\* You need to know how law is changing to make your career decisions.**

## The cutting edge of law

Core studies include Legal Technology and Innovation, where you'll be introduced to the latest technology and industry research through hands-on experience using the technologies that are transforming legal practice.

\*McKinsey Global Institute, 2019

You'll also learn about emerging industries and the need to protect innovations with intellectual property law. At Swinburne, students complete studies in Patent and Designs Law, Trade Mark Law, and Copyright Law - where the law and fields of science, technology, engineering, arts and enterprise collide.

## Real projects, real clients.

The Legal Technology and Design Clinics at Swinburne Law School let you work with real clients on real-world projects to design a new generation of legal products.

Students have used their unique skills to work in a wide range of industries, including law firms, regulatory agencies, global consultancy firms, private health insurance providers and firms working in MedTech.

## Past student projects in the Clinics:

- Designing new ways of communicating legal information for the Fitzroy Legal Service – with the aim of making the law more accessible, students created legal documents that are more visual and address the access to justice gap.
- Working with the corporate legal team at Spotify to create a solution that helps Spotify's lawyers search through thousands of contracts.





# Your next gen\_now upgrades

## Guaranteed real industry experience

Real industry experience is guaranteed in all Swinburne bachelor degrees. With our Work Integrated Learning program, learning is more than just reading, it's doing. Start building your résumé with placements, internships and industry-linked projects while you study.

## Double degrees

Double degrees are a great way to broaden your study experience, are highly respected by employers and can help you become a specialist with combined areas of expertise. They're generally only a single year longer than a standard degree.

Consider combining your Design degree with a degree in another study area by studying:

- Bachelor of Laws / Bachelor of Arts
- Bachelor of Laws / Bachelor of Business
- Bachelor of Laws / Bachelor of Business Analytics and Analysis
- Bachelor of Laws / Bachelor of Computer Science
- Bachelor of Laws / Bachelor of Criminal Justice and Criminology
- Bachelor of Laws/ Bachelor of Cyber Security
- Bachelor of Laws / Bachelor of Engineering (Honours)
- Bachelor of Laws / Bachelor of Media and Communication
- Bachelor of Laws / Bachelor of Science

## Pathways to a degree

### UniLink diplomas

Swinburne UniLink diplomas can offer you seamless connection to a range of our related next-gen degrees – with no extra time or fees.

A Swinburne UniLink diploma could be your pathway to a degree if you:

- are worried about not getting the ATAR you need
- are looking for a little more support to transition into a degree
- didn't complete high school in Australia or;
- missed direct entry to your degree.

After completing the equivalent of eight study units in your UniLink diploma, you can merge straight into your related degree.

### Vocational education

Diplomas and certificates are vocational qualifications that provide practical teaching and skills for work. A vocational qualification could prepare you for a job or help you excel in your current job.

A diploma or certificate may also let you progress to another qualification with advanced standing.



Jules

Bachelor of Laws/Bachelor of Computer Science

## Scholarships

The Vice-Chancellor's Excellence Scholarship is awarded to students in recognition of academic excellence. Recipients will receive \$5000 per annum for the normal duration of their chosen degree, plus a one-off payment of \$2000 towards an international study experience.\*\*

Swinburne also offers scholarships to students from indigenous backgrounds, students suffering from financial hardship and students who have relocated from regional areas to study.

For a full list of scholarships, including value and eligibility criteria, visit [swinburne.edu.au/scholarships](http://swinburne.edu.au/scholarships)

\*Design Institute of Australia  
\*\*International study experiences are dependent on government travel guidelines.



# 81%

of our graduates found jobs within 4 months after completing their course.

QILT: Graduates Outcomes Survey 2019-2021

# 50%

of New Colombo Plan Scholarships

in Swinburne were awarded to law students in 2018.

# #1

In the world\* for Best Written Submissions

University of Oxford's International Intellectual Property Law Moot Moot Competition

## Where our students intern

From Australia's leading law firms to in-house legal departments, Victoria's state courts to professional associations, you'll have a chance to immerse yourself in a wide and varied range of work environments to help you pinpoint the right career path. You'll also be building your networks, long before graduation.



## Swinburne Law School

has relationships with over **130** host organisations

# Opportunities beyond Australia

By winning the Scanlon Swinburne Intercultural Fellowship 2018, Ama Gunathilake had the chance to study abroad and take part in the Indonesia Law, Governance and Culture study tour, created specifically by Swinburne for law students.



**Ama**  
Bachelor of Laws

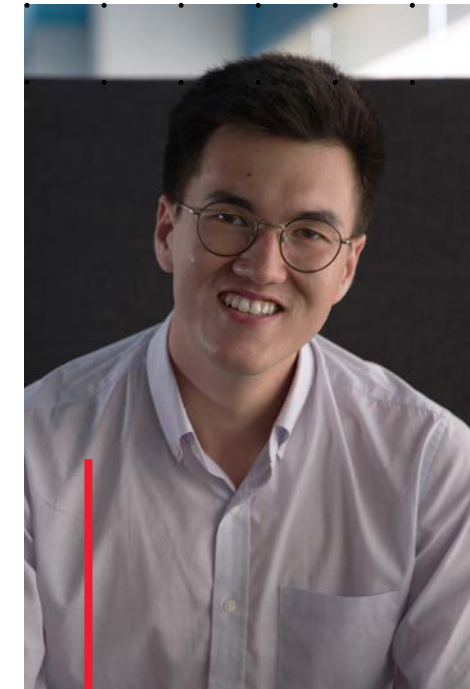
"During my study tour and time abroad, I was able to observe how each country operates and how the law is implemented in different cultural contexts. It was also amazing to network with NGOs. I hope that I've brought back learnings that can be implemented in Australian society."



## Swinburne law students take on the world in Oxford

In 2021, Swinburne Law School students won the 19th Oxford International Intellectual Property Law Mooting Competition at the University of Oxford in England. This is the third year in a row that Swinburne students have qualified for the prestigious competition, which attracts applications from law schools around the world.

Visit [www.swinburne.edu.au/news](http://www.swinburne.edu.au/news)



**Elliot**  
Bachelor of Laws/Bachelor of Computer Science

"Through my placement at CIE Legal, I've been able to see how much potential there is in legal technology and innovation in streamlining and enhancing the day-to-day work of lawyers. Swinburne Law School is equipping me to best take advantage of that."

## Your time investment

### Swinburne Bachelor of Law options

### Minimum duration (full-time)

Swinburne Bachelor of Law options	Minimum duration (full-time)
Law	4 years
Law – graduate entry	3-3.5 years
Law + Arts	5 years
Law + Business	5 years
Law + Business Analytics and Analysis	5 years
Law + Computer Science	5 years
Law + Criminal Justice and Criminology	5 years
Law + Cyber Security	5 years
Law + Engineering (Honours)	6.5 years
Law + Media and Communication	5 years
Law + Science	5 years


The Swinburne Bachelor of Laws degree is recognised by the Victorian Legal Admissions Board as including the prerequisite studies that prepare you for admission to practice as a barrister and solicitor of the Supreme Court of Victoria. The course therefore includes a number of compulsory units of study known as the Priestley 11.


## Campuses


Hawthorn	John Street, Hawthorn
Croydon	12–50 Norton Road, Croydon
Wantirna	369 Stud Road, Wantirna
Sarawak	Kuching, Sarawak, Malaysia


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## Further information

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