



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, you'll 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.

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Three professional placements

Real work experience prepares you for real work. At Swinburne, you'll undertake three 20-day placements making our degree the only experiential law degree of its kind. Students can gain experience in a range of different legal settings to pursue their passions, build their networks and prepare for life after law school.

Small classes

You'll benefit from small class sizes and a personalised learning experience. Teachers and staff will know your name. They will tailor their advice and professional development opportunities to suit you and your career goals.

The only dual award in Victoria

Save 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 accredited to offer this. It means that you can be admitted into legal practice on the day you graduate.



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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 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.

At Swinburne, you'll learn about emerging industries and the need to protect innovations with intellectual property law. You'll also 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.



Jules

Bachelor of Laws/Bachelor of Computer Science

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.

"I chose to study law and computer science because I saw an opportunity to transform the legal profession with new technologies capable of improving efficiency, lowering costs and expanding access to justice. Swinburne Law School is a cutting-edge law school; it's the only one in the state with a real focus on preparing students to thrive in an increasingly digitised economy transformed by automation and artificial intelligence."



*McKinsey Global Institute, 2019

Elliott

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."

Law placement destinations

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.”



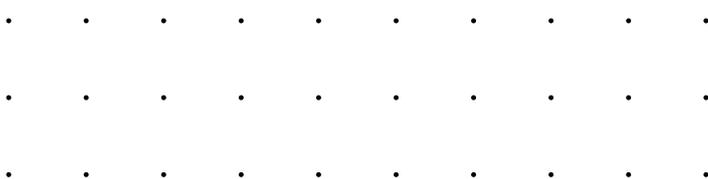
The 2019 Swinburne Law School team receiving their prize for placing third for their written submissions

Swinburne law students take on the world in Oxford

In 2021, Swinburne Law School students won the first prize for their written submissions at 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.

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<p>Top law course in Victoria</p> <p>for teaching quality and overall experience.</p> <p>The Good Universities Guide ratings and rankings for 2018/2019</p>	<p>#1</p> <p>In the world* for Best Written Submissions</p> <p>University of Oxford's International Intellectual Property Law Moot Moot Competition</p>	<p>#1</p> <p>For student: teacher ratio in Victoria. That's 20 students: 1 teacher.</p> <p>The Good Universities Guide 2019</p>
<p>Top university in Melbourne</p> <p>for student support.</p> <p>QUILT Student Experience Survey 2017 and 2018</p>	<p>85%</p> <p>of our first graduating cohort were employed upon graduation</p>	<p>50%</p> <p>of New Colombo Plan Scholarships in Swinburne were awarded to law students in 2018.</p>

Your time investment

Swinburne Bachelor of Laws 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 Information Systems	5 years
Law + Computer Science	5 years
Law + Criminal Justice and Criminology	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 campus

John Street, Hawthorn

Croydon campus

12-50 Norton Road, Croydon

Wantirna campus

369 Stud Road, Wantirna

Sarawak campus

Kuching, Sarawak, Malaysia

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