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ORGANISATIONS YOU MAY WORK IN

LAW

As a law graduate, you’ll have met all academic requirements for the Victorian Legal Admissions Board.

Law firms, finance institutions, defence force, courts, police force, government, community legal centres and legal departments in companies.

Barrister; Solicitor; Lawyer; Policy Adviser; Human Rights Advocate.

LEGAL SERVICES

Get prepared for a career in legal support or postgraduate study in laws.

Law firms, courts, government and legal departments in companies.

Paralegal; Court Clerk; Legal Clerk; Compliance Officer.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Gain an understanding of the Australian justice system and the role of various agencies within it.

Law firms, police force, courts and prison services.

Welfare Support Worker; Correctional Officer; Customs/Border Force Officer; Court Administrator.

CRIMINOLOGY

Help police, legal, and social-welfare organisations address the causes and results of criminal behaviour.

Forensics, police, community legal settings, legal aid, security and intelligence organisations, paralegal in law firms, youth justice organisations, correctional services and community services.

Police Officer; Corrections Officer; Forensic Science Technician; Loss Prevention Specialist.

LEGAL SERVICES

Diploma of Legal Services

Advanced Diploma of Legal Practice

Bachelor of Legal Services

CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Bachelor of Criminology

Bachelor of Laws/Bachelor of Criminology

CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Bachelor of Criminal Justice and Psychological Studies

COURSE FURTHER INFORMATION

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Offers four to six month placements in four different programs: Sunshine Youth office, Family Law Clinic, Infringements Clinic and Legal Triage Clinic.

**POLICE PROSECUTORS’ PROGRAM**

In partnership with Victoria Police, this is the first police internship of its kind in Australia. Over 10 weeks, students rotate across the Magistrates’ Court, Civil Division, Coroners Court, Research and Training and Major Enquiries areas.

**SUPREME COURT PROGRAM**

Spend four days gaining experience and insights into the Supreme Court and Court of Appeal structure and its inner workings.

**KIRBY MOOT COMPETITION**

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