

WHAT IS PLT?

An essential requirement for admission as a lawyer in Australia

Practical Legal Training (PLT) is a structured training program designed to help you develop the practical, day-to-day skills you will need as an entry-level lawyer.

Completion of a PLT program is the second essential step to being admitted as a lawyer – the first being your law degree.

After completing your PLT, you will be awarded a Graduate Diploma of Legal Practice (GDLP) (CRICOS course code 069734C). This means you will be eligible to apply for admission as a legal practitioner in your state or territory.

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PLT AT THE COLLEGE OF LAW

Welcome to Australia's most in-demand PLT program

Choosing your PLT provider should be given considered thought. You need to know exactly what you're paying for. And you want maximum return on your investment.

Introducing PLT Plus from The College of Law – the most flexible, convenient and engaging PLT program in Australia.



WHY PLT PLUS

5 reasons to choose PLT Plus

1. You'll be more 'practice-ready'

PLT Plus places greater emphasis on task-based, hands-on learning. It's also the only program that offers a Legal Business Skills Series – equipping you with vital workplace skills such as time management, leadership and communication.

2. You'll study how and when you want

With only 5 days of face-to-face attendance plus full-time, part-time, onsite and offsite study options, PLT Plus is truly flexible. We also offer more than 90 courses a year throughout Australia, allowing you to study at a time that suits *you* – not us.

3. You'll be more attractive to employers

As Australasia's largest provider of Practical Legal Training, The College of Law has a global reputation for excellence. We are also the preferred provider to 9 of the top 10 law firms in Australia.

4. You'll get more support and guidance

With one-to-one lecturer support, pre-submission feedback and comprehensive Practice Papers to take into the workplace, our goal is to help you succeed the moment you enter the professional workforce.

5. You'll enjoy benefits to last a lifetime

As a PLT Plus graduate, you receive lifelong discounts on all our short programs – plus ongoing invitations to our alumni and networking events. What's more, two PLT Plus subjects entitle you to automatic credit towards the College LLM program.

PROGRAM STRUCTURE - 3 COMPONENTS



COMPONENT 1

Coursework

Study five compulsory subjects plus two electives in one of four study modes. You will learn key areas of competence through everyday scenarios that parallel real-life practice. With no academic essay writing, you will solve everyday

[COURSEWORK →](#)



COMPONENT 2

Work Experience

The Work Experience component is designed to give you insights into what it's like to work in a real legal environment, this is your first opportunity to apply your skills to real-life legal problems.

[WORK EXPERIENCE →](#)



COMPONENT 3

Continuing Professional Education (CPE)

Open your eyes to the importance of ongoing professional education and career development. Choose units from the Legal Series or the Legal Business Skills Series, which is only offered by the College.

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HOW WILL I BE ASSESSED?

No formal written exams

All PLT Plus subjects are assessed orally via video conference.

We believe that oral assessments are the best way to determine your understanding of the content and your ability to analyse and solve a problem.

Oral assessments also offer you the opportunity to practise thinking on your feet – just like a lawyer does.

WHEN CAN I START PLT PLUS?

Choose from more than 90 courses throughout Australia

Your PLT is usually undertaken at the end of your academic studies.

However, as of 1 January 2015 it is possible to start earlier if you have completed all Priestley 11 core subjects of your law degree – with no more than two electives remaining.

To start your PLT early, you will need to seek approval from the admitting authority in the state you wish to be admitted to practise. Rules and processes relating to early starts vary by state.

The College marries up the law degree that you've got and the information in your head and it gives you the tools to apply it practically.

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INTRODUCING THE LEGAL BUSINESS SKILLS SERIES

Only available at The College of Law

As a new lawyer, you'll need more than technical knowledge to set yourself apart.

When we asked our alumni, 'What three skills are most important for a new lawyer?', skills such as communication, leadership and time management were prioritised time and again.

The Legal Business Skills Series will help you distinguish yourself as a new lawyer from day one. You will enter the workforce with the skills and confidence to:

- Network effectively and develop your 'personal brand'
- Understand and practise the qualities of a successful leader
- Manage time and workload
- Build effective client relationships



— Practical Legal Training