

CENTRE FOR PROFESSIONAL LEGAL EDUCATION 2023 ANNUAL REPORT

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CPLE Mission

The Centre for Professional Legal Education is a community of legal educators, researchers, practitioners and administrators who collaborate in defining, understanding, and promoting best practice in the teaching of law, with an emphasis upon professional legal education and training, and understanding and responding to the changing nature of the legal services sector.

CPLE Goals

- 1. To be a leading contributor to research and scholarship about professional legal education and training.
- 2. To be a leading designer and developer of high quality, innovative, personalised legal education and training programs and courses.
- 3. To maintain a national and international reputation in the legal education sector as a leader in professional legal education research and program design.
- 4. To efficiently manage the CPLE's human, physical and financial resources and successfully manage its relations with key stakeholders.

CPLE Website

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CPLE Executive Committee

- Professor Nick James (Chair)
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- Law Library Manager Ian Edwards
- Denise Noblet, Centre Administrator

2023 Highlights

Projects and initiatives

The major research projects and legal education initiatives launched and/or progressed by the CPLE in 2023 included the following:

- 'Re-Imaging the Regulation of Australian Legal Education' While primarily a Council of Australian Law Deans (CALD) Project, the CPLE assisted CALD in administering the review by Professor Sally Kift and Kana Nakano, and led the establishment of a new project bringing together the key stakeholders in legal education, 'Australian Legal Education 2030 and Beyond'.
- 'Job Readiness of Law Graduates' Funded by the Queensland Law Society (QLS), this project investigated the job readiness of today's law school graduates. The results were published in 2023 and received national attention.
- 'Wellness in Law' The CPLE administered and supported the Wellness Network for Law, a
 community of legal academics, practitioners and students who are committed to addressing the
 high levels of psychological distress experienced in law, and promoting wellness at law school, in
 the legal academy, and in the profession.
- 'Australian Law School Yearbook' The CPLE published (after several delays) the 2021 Yearbook.

Legal education resources

The CPLE developed and/or made available the following resources to support high quality law teaching:

- Animal Legal Education The CPLE partnered with the Centre for Animal Law Studies Lewis & Clark Law School in the US to establish Animalex, an initiative to provide free animal law teaching resources to animal law teachers.
- Professional Development Seminars The CPLE offered several workshops to academic staff in the Faculty of Law on the impact of Generative AI upon the teaching of law.

The CPLE continued to make freely available the following legal education resources:

- CPLE Blog The CPLE Blog was administered by Blog Coordinator Mel Jackson, with several articles published.
- Video Resources The CPLE website continued to host a library of short videos by CPLE scholars on various legal education topics. Videos from the 2022 PLE Conference were added to the Resources.
- Legal Education Library The CPLE website continued to host a digital library of seminal and historic legal education monographs and reports.

Events

The CPLE organised, administered and/or supported several major research events:

- 2023 Wellness in Law Forum (online)
- 2023 ADR Research Roundtable (online)
- 2023 Interdisciplinary Colloquium on Sport
- 2023 Animal Legal Education Workshop

Courses

The CPLE developed the following courses, subjects and programs for the Faculty of Law:

- LLM (Family Dispute Resolution) The CPLE lead the development of this new Masters program.
- Dispute Resolution Courses Various short courses in mediation and family dispute resolution were offered by the Centre for Dispute Resolution in partnership with the CPLE.
- LLB (Climate Law) The CPLE continued to lead the development of new subjects in the new double major in the LLB focussing upon climate change law and practice.
- Microcredentials Various other CPD and short courses were developed by the CPLE, including the Advanced Credential in Enterprise Governance, the Specialist Accreditation Family Law Arbitration Course for AIFLAM and Notaries Society of Queensland course.

Journals

The following journals were administered and published by the CPLE in 2023:

- **Legal Education Review** The LER is an independent, refereed journal. Its objectives are to encourage and disseminate research into legal education and to stimulate discussion debate and experimentation on topics related to legal education.
- Australian Journal of Clinical Education The AJCE is an open access double-blind peer-reviewed journal devoted to issues of practice and innovation in clinical education across the two disciplines of Law and Health.
- **Dispute Resolution Review** The DRR is an open access peer-reviewed international and interdisciplinary journal that provides in-depth scholarly commentary on, and analysis and review of, all aspects of dispute resolution theory and practice.

2023 Research Outputs

Books and Reports

Cantatore, F., Atwill, T., & Field, R. M. (2023). *The job readiness of law graduates and entry level solicitors*. Queensland Law Society.

Cantatore, F. (2023). The Law Clinic Experience: A Guidebook for Students. Bond University.

Georgiades, E., Birt, J. R., & Svantesson, D. J. B. (2023). *Privacy Risks and Legal Jurisprudence in the Emerging Metaverse: Evaluating the Use of Digital Avatar Personas for Governance and Data Privacy Law Reform*. Bond University.

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Ghori, U., Hiscock, M., Parsons, L., & Watters, C. G. (Eds.) (2023). *Globalisation in Transition: Human and Economic Perspectives*. (Globalisation in Transition: Human and Economic Perspectives). Springer.

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Greenhow, A. (2023). Social responsibility, stakeholders and professional football clubs: From 'window-dressing' to civic wealth creation. In R. Houben (Ed.), *Research Handbook on the Law of Professional Football Clubs* (pp. 369-392). Edward Elgar Publishing.

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Parsons, L. (2023). Central Banks in Crisis Times: Mandates in Crisis? In U. Ghori, M. Hiscock, L. Parsons, & C. Watters (Eds.), *Globalisation in Transition Human and Economic Perspectives* (pp. 165-179). Springer.

Caroline Strevens, Rachael Field and Colin James, 'An Analysis of Studies on the Wellbeing of Law Teachers in the UK and Australia in 2020 Using the Lens of Seven Psychosocial Hazards of Academic Work' in Caroline Strevens and Emma Jones (eds), *Wellbeing and the Legal Academy* (Springer Nature, 2023).

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Greenhow, A. (2023, Feb 17). Submission in Response to the Inquiry into concussions and repeated head trauma in contact sports, Senate Community Affairs Legislation Committee.

Greenhow, A. (2023, Feb 14). Book endorsement Jack Anderson Sports Law: A Concise Introduction. Edward Elgar Publishing.

Presentations

Wendy Elizabeth Bonython (Speaker), 2023. 'I didn't sign up for this!'- ADF families, genetic information, and the need for transparent and accessible policies. 2023 Australasian Association of Bioethics and Health Law (AABHL) Conference.

Annette Greenhow (Speaker), 14 Dec 2023. The Social Responsibility of Professional Football Clubs. Is it real? Presentation at Book Launch of The Handbook of the Law of Professional Football Clubs (Robby Houben ed) at the University of Antwerp in Belgium.

Annette Greenhow (Participant), 9 Oct 2023. Research Week 2023 Women in Sport Legal and Regulatory Perspectives in Sport-Related Concussion. Presentation on Panel organised by HSM as part of Research Week.

Annette Greenhow (Speaker), 29 Sept 2023. The Journey of Charity Law: the impact of past problems today and into the future. Private Actors and Public Problems: examining the guardianship role of sports governing bodies.

Annette Greenhow (Speaker), 3 Jun 2023. Mapping the Multi-Level Influences to Awareness and Recognition of Concussion in Youth Sport: A Socioecological Approach. North American Society of Sport Management Conference 2023.

Annette Greenhow (Attendee), 24 May 2023. University of Antwerp. Invitation from Prof Robby Houben to visit and deliver a lunchtime presentation to the Business and Law Research.

Annette Greenhow (Speaker), 22 May 2023. Pro League Business School. Invited presentation at the Pro League Business School on Professional Football, Ethics and Social Responsibility, University of Antwerp, Belgium.

Annette Greenhow (Speaker), 22 Feb 2023. Public Hearing, Senate Standing Committees on Community Affirs Concussion and repeated head trauma in contact sports. Appearance before the Senate Committee.

Nick James, 20 Nov 2023. Digital Saviour ... Or Just Another Problem to Deal With? A Discourse Analysis of the Conflicting Narratives Regarding the Implications of Generative AI for the Teaching of Law. Presentation at Legal Education Research Conference, Sydney, Australia.

Nick James, 2 Nov 2023. Green Sky Thinking. Presentation at Future of Media Think Tank, Gold Coast.

Nick James, Galloway, K., Skead, N. K., Castan, M. & Barrett, J., 8 Jul 2023. Panel: Legal Education Research. Presentation at 2023 Australasian Law Academics Association (ALAA) Conference, Christchurch, New Zealand.

Nick James, 8 Jul 2023. The Truth(s) About AI and Legal Education: A Discourse Analysis of the Conflicting Narratives Regarding the Implications of Generative AI for the Teaching of Law. Presentation at 2023 Australasian Law Academics Association (ALAA) Conference, Christchurch, New Zealand.

Nick James, 15 Jun 2023. Climate Litigation Update. Presentation at EcoSummit 2023, Gold Coast, Australia.

Nick James, 25 May 2023. Dawn of the Cyber-Directors: Enterprise Governance, ESG and Al. Presentation at ESG Symposium, Brisbane, Australia.

Nick James, 17 May 2023. The Truth(s) About AI and Legal Education: A Discourse Analysis of the Conflicting Narratives Regarding the Implications of Generative AI for the Teaching of Law Presentation at 2nd UCP International Conference, Punjab, Pakistan.

Vai Io Lo (Speaker), 19 Oct 2023. Protection of Geographical Indications. Guest Lecture, Renmin University of China.

Vai Io Lo (Participant), 12 Dec 2023. Presented on Technology and Artificial Intelligence in Law Teaching: Benefits and Risks. Deus Ex Machina: Law-Technology-Humanities Conference, Brisbane, Queensland, Australia.

Vai Io Lo (Participant), 2 Dec 2023. Presented on Teaching Law with Technology: The Way Forward? Third IAS Annual Conference on Technology and Life: Reflection across Disciplines, Macau, China.

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Media

Francina Cantatore (NewsRx COVID-19 Daily, United States, 21/03/23). Research from Bond University Yields New Findings on COVID-19 (SMEs in Australia and Latin America: A Comparative Study of Regulation and Reality in an Encroaching COVID19 Pandemic).

Annette Greenhow (EveningReport.nz, New Zealand, Foreign Affairs.co.nz, New Zealand, 6/09/23). We are finally moving towards a national strategy on concussions in sport. Will the government and sports bodies now act?

Annette Greenhow (ABC Radio National, Australia, 5/09/23). ABC Radio Concussion Senate Inquiry interview.

Annette Greenhow & Rowena Mobbs (ABC Radio Regional, New South Wales, Australia, 4/07/23). ABC NSW Drive Program.

Annette Greenhow & Lyn Griffiths (The Conversation International, Australia, 20/06/23). Genetics and concussion - why a minor knock can be devastating for some people.

Annette Greenhow (Melbourne Age, Australia, Sydney Morning Herald, Australia, WA Today, Australia, Brisbane Times, Australia) 28/04/23. Elite sports struggle with concussion, but it's even murkier at the grassroots.

Annette Greenhow (ABC National, Australia, Print, 22/02/23). ABC News report on the public hearings of the Senate Inquiry into concussion and repeated head trama in contact sport.

Annette Greenhow (ABC Online, Australia, ABC Premium News Australia, & TodayHeadline, United States, 20/02/23). Submissions to Senate concussion inquiry call for national registry, more research, consistent guidelines.

Annette Greenhow (ABC News, 19/02/23). ABC News Report on Senate Inquiry Submissions.

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Proposed 2024 Activities

Engage in major research projects

- 'Australian Legal Education 2030 and Beyond' (in collaboration the Council of Australian Law Deans)
- Follow up projects and publications for 'Job Readiness of Law Graduates' (in collaboration with Queensland Law Society)
- 2024 Annual Law School Survey and Annual Report

Develop and administer legal education resources

- Animalex Project (in collaboration with the Centre for Animal Law Studies)
- CPLE Blog
- Bond Law Press
- Bond Law Radio

Develop new law programs and courses

- Al for Lawyers
- Dispute Resolution Courses

Administer CPLE Research Events

- 2024 Interdisciplinary Colloquium on Sport
- 2024 ADR Research Network Roundtable
- 2024 Professional Legal Education Conference

Administer CPLE journals

- Legal Education Review
- Australian Journal of Clinical Education
- Dispute Resolution Review