

Position Description – Senior Lecturer

Position Details

Position Title: Senior Lecturer

College/Portfolio: College of Business and Law

School/Group: School of Law

Campus Location: Based at the Melbourne City campus but may be required to work and/or be

based at other campuses of the University.

Classification: Academic Level C

Employment Type: Continuing

Time Fraction: 1 FTE

RMIT University

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Our three main campuses in Melbourne are located in the heart of the City, Brunswick and Bundoora. Other locations include Point Cook, Hamilton and Bendigo, two campuses in Vietnam (Hanoi and Ho Chi Minh City) and a centre in Barcelona, Spain. RMIT is a truly global university. https://www.rmit.edu.au/about/our-locations-and-facilities

We are also committed to redefining our relationship in working with, and supporting, Indigenous self-determination. Our goal is to achieve lasting transformation by maturing our values, culture, policy and structures in a way that embeds reconciliation in everything we do. We are changing our ways of knowing, working and being to support sustainable reconciliation and activate a relationship between Indigenous and non-Indigenous staff, students and community. Our three campuses in Melbourne (City, Brunswick and Bundoora campuses) are located on the unceded lands of the people of the Woi Wurrung and Boon Wurrung language groups of the eastern Kulin Nation.

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College/Portfolio/Group

RMIT University has a reputation for excellence in education, providing high quality, industry responsive programs and conducting research relevant locally and globally.

The College of Business and Law is one of the largest business and law schools in the Asia Pacific region and delivers industry-engaged legal and business education and applied research that spark ambition and new perspectives with a particular focus on technology and social impact Attracting over 31,000 business and law students, programs are delivered in Melbourne, Vietnam, and via significant teaching partnerships in Singapore, China and Indonesia.

RMIT's location in the heart of a major Australian city ensures that the education provided can be closely linked to professional and industry needs. RMIT College of Business and Law has a proud history of providing programs that meet the evolving needs of students and industry. Programs incorporate Work Integrated Learning (WIL) which means that our students are work-ready by the time they graduate. This embedded industry perspective places them ahead of their competitors in the job market, and provides an invaluable opportunity to start developing social and professional networks during their RMIT studies. For more information, please visit:

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School of Law

The School of Law, launched in 2025, emerged from the Graduate School of Business and Law. The School provides an open and collaborative intellectual environment, with academics who stand at the frontiers of interdisciplinary knowledge creation that is both rigorous and relevant, benefiting business, the legal system, and society at large. The School of Law, located at the historic Emily McPherson Building, provides RMIT law students with an engaging learning environment, superior educational resources, quality teaching staff and strong industry connections.

Our research approach focuses on co-creation with stakeholders in a range of different sectors across Australia, the Asia Pacific, and the world. Through our research, we aim to develop thought leaders in important technological, social, environmental, and economic debates. Law academics are involved in research across many fields of law and engage in interdisciplinary research. Interest areas include Business and Human Rights, Law and Technology, International Law, Labour Law, Alternative Dispute Resolution and Access to Justice, Company Law and Corporate Governance and Regulation, Climate and Energy Law, Gender Justice and Mental Health Law.

Our teaching programs are intricately linked to our research efforts, and we teach students the same techniques that we use to help solve the most complex problems facing the legal sector. The Juris Doctor Program (JD) was introduced in July 2007 and provides non-law graduates the opportunity to obtain a qualification that leads to entry into the legal profession. In 2021 RMIT commenced offering accredited Bachelor programs in Law including Law double degrees, Bachelor of Laws/Bachelor of Business, Bachelor of Laws/Bachelor of Accounting and in 2025, Bachelor of Laws/Bachelor of Professional Communication and Bachelor of Laws/Bachelor of Commerce.

Our strength lies in our ability to develop well-educated, self-aware and highly competent graduates. For more information please visit:

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Position Summary

The Senior Lecturer will contribute to the teaching and research efforts of the School in the discipline of law. The incumbent is to make a significant contribution to the delivery of programs and to be actively involved in research, consulting and other professional activities relevant to their work in the School of Law. The Senior Lecturer will be required to teach and conduct classes in the Priestley courses as required and otherwise in law courses relevant to their field of expertise and to contribute substantively to the academic and administrative, consultative and coordination tasks involved with these courses. The Senior Lecturer may have responsibility for program management, or other service role. Academics with expertise in any of the Priestley 11 subject areas (contracts, torts, evidence, civil procedure, equity and trusts, constitutional and administrative law, company, property law, ethics and professional responsibility) should apply.

Expertise in the fields of family law, wills and probate, Indigenous people and the law, technology and law, commercial law is desirable.

The Senior Lecturer will develop, engage in and lead high quality research projects that are aligned with the University's research focus areas to achieve success in attracting research funding and to produce high quality outputs in the discipline of law. The Senior Lecturer will have an important research leadership role in embedding their research expertise into the life of the School and will be required to develop high quality, productivity-driven networks across RMIT and with local, national and global, internal and external partners.

The Senior Lecturer will have expertise in using educational technologies in delivery of legal education, and scholarship in the field of law and technology including research leadership in this field is highly desirable.

Reporting Line

Reports to: Head of Department, Law.

In relation to any program management, the Senior Lecturer reports to the Deputy

Dean, Learning and Teaching, Law or the Head of Department, Law.

Direct reports: nil

Organisational Accountabilities

RMIT University is committed to the health, safety and wellbeing of its staff. RMIT and its staff must comply with a range of statutory requirements, including equal opportunity, occupational health and safety, privacy and trade practice. RMIT also expects staff to comply with its policy and procedures, which relate to statutory requirements and our ways of working.

RMIT is committed to providing a safe environment for children and young people in our community. Read about our commitment and child safe practices. https://www.rmit.edu.au/about/our-locations-and-facilities/safety-security/child-safety.

Appointees are accountable for completing training on these matters and ensuring their knowledge and the knowledge of their staff is up to date.

Key Accountabilities

1. Make original contributions in teaching and scholarship which expand knowledge or practice within the law discipline including: designing, conducting and moderating assessment; implementing improvements informed by course evaluation activities and student feedback.

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2. Conduct and lead high quality research, recognised at the national level: developing highly successful research teams; managing research projects and programs within timelines and budget and ensuring compliance with quality and reporting requirements; regularly publishing research results in high quality outlets as lead author and in collaboration with other researchers; identifyinappropriate funding sources and prepare successful external research funding submissions; supervising higher degree by research candidates.

Participate in School and College strategy development and governance and make a significant contribution to administration activities of an organisational unit or an interdisciplinary area at undergraduate, honours and postgraduate level, which may include program management of a large award program or a number of smaller award programs.

Key Selection Criteria

- 1. Demonstrated ability to coordinate large courses, prepare and deliver programs at undergraduate and post-graduate levels, including high quality curriculum and program materials.
- 2. Demonstrated ability to implement innovative approaches to student-centred learning and quality improvement.
- 3. Demonstrated ability to manage a large program or a number of small programs.
- 4. Demonstrated ability to support student issues related to effective learning.
- 5. Ambition to engage at the forefront of ed-tech and research in technology and/or social justice.
- 6. Nationally recognised research track record including substantial record of research outputs in high quality outlets.
- 7. Experience in research leadership with the ability to build and develop collaborative research teams, mentor academic staff to deliver high quality outcomes, attract and secure external research funding to sustain research effort and manage funded research projects including complex budgets and reporting requirements.
- 8. Experience in supervising higher degree by research candidates to maximise research performance.

Qualifications

Mandatory:

- Qualification in undergraduate law or a Juris Doctor; and
- Qualification of a PhD in Law

Note: Appointment to this position is subject to passing a Working with Children Check and other checks as required by the specific role. Maintaining a valid Working With Children Check is a condition of employment at RMIT.

Preferred: Graduate Certificate in Tertiary Teaching and Learning. Applicants without this qualification but with demonstrated expertise in higher education in the relevant discipline should apply.

Endorsed:	Signature:	Approved:	Signature:
	Name: Lauren Hessler		Name: Prof Lola Akin Ojelabi

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Title: Manager, Planning & Operations, School of Law	Title: Interim Dean, School of Law Date: 9/9/2025
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