

**American Bar Associated Mandated Disclosures**  
**Santa Clara University School of Law**  
**2017 Summer Abroad Program in Sydney**

The following disclosures are made pursuant to Part I.E. and II.E. of the 2016-17 American Bar Association [Criteria for Approval of Foreign Summer and Intersession Programs Offered by ABA-Approved Law Schools in a Location Outside the United States](#).

Part I.E. Disclosures

1. The program begins on Monday, May 22, 2017 and ends on Friday, June 9, 2017. The program is housed at the University of Technology, Sydney, Australia. The program consists of classes in Human Rights, Forced Migration and International Environmental Law, and possible internship opportunities. For details concerning the classes, see item 3 below.
2. Santa Clara University School of Law has maintained a longstanding personal relationship with fellows at the University of Technology and with administrative and support staff of the University of Technology. There is no further relationship between Santa Clara University School of Law and the University of Technology.
3. Program description

A. Human Rights: Forced Migration Law and International Environmental Law (four units)

Our academic program will focus on two issues of tremendous current global importance – forced migration and international environmental law. In terms of forced migration law, we will study refugee law, as well as relief for victims of trafficking in persons, torture, crime, and war, and environmental factors in migration flows. In terms of international environmental law, we will study topics such as climate change law, the right to water, environmental justice, and indigenous law and land rights. We will also make numerous site visits to Australian courts and legal institutions and have the opportunity for discussion with Australian judges and lawyers. And we will make time for a weekend trip to an Australian wildlife park and the beautiful Blue Mountains. Evaluation is based on class participation and on a final written exam. Typical Site visits include:

- Observation of refugee hearings in Australian courts
- Australian Human Rights Commission
- Aboriginal Legal Services Office
- Federal Court of Australia
- The criminal courts of New South Wales

- Department of Public Prosecutions
- Environmental Defenders Organizations

The 2017 program offers internships in the following areas:

Students gain practical experience by doing legal work under the supervision of a legal professional in the host country, while receiving invaluable integration into the legal culture of the country and make invaluable professional contacts. The expectation of an intern is full-time work from the period of the internship (e.g., 40 hours or more a week of supervised legal work). Santa Clara Law requires a minimum of 50 hours of supervised legal work for each internship unit of credit.

#### B. Sydney and Melbourne placements

We are fortunate to have a number of excellent internship placements. Some are with non-governmental legal offices representing refugees and victims of human trafficking. These provide an ideal opportunity for students to put into practical effect what they have learned during the Forced Migration portion of the course. We also have a placement in a non-profit environmental law office, for students who was to apply what they've learned in the Environmental Law section of the course. Finally, we have several placements in criminal defense, which give students the opportunity to observe first-hand and assist in the practice of law in Australia.

#### C. Fiji Internships

The placement is with the largest law firm in Fiji and students will undertake work in the field of international business law.

4. Contact information for an informed person(s) at Santa Clara University School of Law is:

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5. Tuition for the program is \$1,000/unit.

Students are responsible for the cost of round trip airfare to and from the destination,

breakfasts, lunches and dinners throughout the duration of the program, and all incidental living expenses. The costs of these items vary depending on the student's individual circumstances.

6. Students are responsible for making their own housing arrangements during classes and the internship period. We provide the following helpful information on finding housing, and please contact the program director with any questions.

Places our students have stayed:

[Wake Up!](#) (a youth hostel, easy walk from UTS (where classes are held); some students have stayed here every year).

[Breakfree on George](#) (also a youth hostel, 10 minutes walking distance from UTS)

[Ibis World Square](#)

[Meriton World Tower World Square and Meriton Kent Street](#) (expensive for one, not so expensive for several persons sharing the apartment)

A number of our students rent furnished apartments. Websites for finding furnished apartments: UTS, where we hold classes, is in the Haymarket section of Sydney (close to Darling Harbour). Sydney has excellent local transportation via bus, tram, and train, but the following sections of Sydney are generally within walking distance of UTS: downtown Sydney, Haymarket, Pyrmont, Surry Hills, and some parts of Glebe.

[Gum Tree](#)

[Furnished Apartments](#) (recommended by 2013 students)

[Accommodation Sydney City Centre](#)

[Student Universe](#)

[Sydney Craigslist](#)

[Apartments Plus](#)

[YHA Australia](#)

[Oaks Hotels & Resorts](#) (see Oaks Harmony location)

7. Not all facilities in Sydney are accessible to persons with disabilities. The University of Technology facilities are accessible to persons with disabilities but accommodations should be requested of, and suitable documentation provided to, the Santa Clara Law School's Center for Global Law and Policy sufficiently in advance of the program to enable appropriate arrangements for accessibility.

8. Santa Clara University Law School does not anticipate the cancelling of the program. However, war, natural disaster, widespread contagious disease, terrorism, or comparable events, or insufficient enrollment, could cause cancellation. Should cancellation occur, students will be notified by e-mail and all deposits and tuition paid for the program will be refunded.

9. If, prior to commencement of the program, the U.S. State Department issues a Travel Warning or Travel Alert for Australia, Santa Clara Law School will promptly notify all

registrants in the program by e-mail and will give all registrants the opportunity to withdraw from the program. Students who withdraw shall receive a full refund of all deposits and fees paid to Santa Clara University.

If, during the course of the program, the U.S. State Department issues a Travel Warning or Travel Alert for Australia, Santa Clara Law School will promptly notify all registrants in the program by e-mail and will give all registrants the opportunity to withdraw from the program. Students who withdraw will be refunded fees paid except for room and board payments (if applicable) used before the date of withdrawal.

See [here](#) for current State Department travel warnings.

10. In addition to the refund policies stated in items 8 and 9, above, if significant changes are made in the course offerings or other significant aspects of the program, those changes will be communicated promptly by e-mail to any applicant who has paid a deposit or registered for the program, and an opportunity will be provided for that person to obtain a full refund of all monies paid or to transfer to another program should the student so desire.

Class and lecture schedules and topics may be adjusted based on the availability of an instructor or of facilities. Site visitations may be altered according to availability (such as unscheduled closings.) Participants will be provided prompt notice of any such changes and the program director will arrange for appropriate substitutions. All such adjustments do not constitute a "significant change" in the program.

#### Part II.E. disclosures

- A. For students not matriculating at Santa Clara University School of Law, acceptance of credit or any grade for the program is subject to determination by the student's home school.