



PUBLIC LAW IN THE CLASSROOM 2024

A Workshop for Teachers of Australian Public Law

Hosted by the Gilbert + Tobin Centre of Public Law, UNSW; the Public Law and Policy Research Unit, University of Adelaide; the Castan Centre for Human Rights Law, Monash University; and the School of Law, Western Sydney University

Thursday 8 February 2024

Law & Justice Building (F8), UNSW Kensington Campus

- 9:30am** **Registration**
- 9:45am** **Welcome, Acknowledgement of Country, and Introduction**
- 10.00am** **Session 1: Facilitated Discussion re Experiences of Technology and Teaching**
- Changes to technology over the last few years are impacting the way we teach and assess public law. This first session will ask participants to share with each other the way technology has changed their teaching and how they have responded.
- Facilitators:** Associate Professor Laura Grenfell, University of Adelaide and Shreeya Smith, Western Sydney University
- 11.00am** **Morning tea**
- 11.30am** **Session 2: Change and Public Law Teaching**
- This session focusses on public law teaching and civic engagement. The panellists are public law teachers who have been involved in working with students on community education, and/or who have worked on instilling in students an interest and competence in civic participation and law reform. Discussion will include the questions of whether there is a role for public law teaching in encouraging civic participation and reform? Why or why not? And if yes, what is the role of the teacher?
- Chair:** Elisabeth Perham, UNSW
- Panellists:**
- Professor Dean Knight, Te Herenga Waka—Victoria University of Wellington
Cornelia Koch, University of Adelaide
Marie Iskander, UNSW/Legal Aid NSW

Associate Professor Elisa Arcioni, University of Sydney (pre-recorded reflections)

1.00pm **Lunch**

2.00pm **Session 3: Comparative and Critical Approaches to Public Law Teaching**

This session is focussed on practical ways to bring comparative and critical approaches to public law teaching, with a particular focus on core public law teaching.

Chair: Associate Professor Julie Debeljak, Monash University

Panellists:

Associate Professor Becky Batagol, Monash University

Scientia Professor Rosalind Dixon, UNSW

Dr Janet Hope, University of Canberra

Dr Siddharth Narrain, University of Adelaide

3.30pm **Feedback for 2025**

3.45pm **Workshop close**