



Chapter News

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In this issue: President's update—AI Seminar—NSW Essay competition—Free education law course—Chapter Scholarships & Awards open—ANZELA Conference, Wellington NZ

ANZELA NSW has planned a number of events and opportunities for our members during 2023. Why not add the dates into your diary now so that you don't miss out?

To begin, we hope to see many of you either face to face or zoom on Thursday 23 March at the AI, Chat GPT and Education seminar. We have added the Zoom option following requests from members across Australia and from our sister association in New Zealand. RSVP to nsw@anzela.edu.au and let us know whether you are attending in person or require a link.

At this seminar, we will also be launching our 2023 Chapter Essay Competition and inviting applicants for our Scholarships and Grants. Please consider applying and/or sharing these opportunities with your contacts and networks.

As one of the NSW representatives on the National ANZELA Board, I spent last Saturday working together with other chapters on future planning. One aim was to improve our communication, so it is worthwhile visiting us on [FaceBook](#) and [LinkedIn](#).

For those attending the seminar, have you realised that if you join ANZELA you will receive free access to all NSW seminars as well as a discounted price for the Wellington Conference? The institutional price allows for up to five attendees at each event. Retired members are eligible for a discount and membership is free for full time students. Prices and details on the [ANZELA membership page](#).

Best wishes, Angela Catallo

AI, ChatGPT and education: Our expert panel will delve into the issues at the 23 March

This year's seminar program kicks off with a discussion panel hypothetical on the hot topic of artificial intelligence and the emergent curriculum, legal, regulatory & ethical issues.

Michael Waterhouse (Waterhouse Mediation) will facilitate the discussion with our panel of experts: Paul Martin (CEO, NSW Education Standards Association Authority); Andrea Connell, Principal, Sydney Girls High School; Stephanie McLuckie (Carroll & O'Dea Lawyers); Kristin Boesenberg (Connected Technology Group, KPMG) & Senior students from a non-government high school.

Free entry to ANZELA members and students (on presentation of student card). Non-members: \$25.

Date & Time: Thursday 23 March. Afternoon tea & networking from 4.45 pm; Panel session from 5.30 to 7pm.

Location: Thomson Geer, Level 14 /60 Martin Place, Sydney

To attend in person, or to request a Zoom link, RSVP by 19 March to: President, Angel Catallo at nsw@anzela.edu.au

2023 Key dates for your calendar

15 March: Free ANZELA online Education law course Session on *Negligence*, 6PM AEDT, page 2

23 March: Seminar (*AI, ChatGPT and education discussion panel*), page 1

15 June: NSW Committee meets

30 June: NSW Chapter education law essay competition closes, page 1

31 July: NSW Chapter Scholarships & Grants applications close, page 2

17 August: Seminar: Announcement of successful chapter grants & award applicants, and essay prize-giving, with presentations by essay winners

24-26 September: ANZELA National Conference, Wellington NZ, page 2

12 October: NSW Committee meets

16 November: NSW Chapter AGM followed by guest discussion panel (*WHS & psychosocial safety*)



Get set for the 2023 NSW Chapter Essay Competition—First prize \$3000, Closing date 30 June



The 2022 winners & Tryon Francis. (President, 2022). The essays examined diverse topics: absence of school policy in Australia regarding trans & gender diverse sport; cyberbullying & duty of care; discrimination in public education working & learning environments (Image: Carol Howard)

Following the positive response to last year's inaugural competition, the Chapter is now inviting NSW & ACT resident: lawyers, educators, law students, education students, or recent graduates to participate in the 2023 Essay Competition. With a First Prize of \$3000 (\$2000 and \$1000 for 2nd & 3rd respectively), a year's ANZELA membership, and the opportunity to have the essay included in a future edition of the International Journal of Law and Education (IJLE), this is a great opportunity for members and non-members alike. The winners will also be invited to present and discuss their papers at the NSW & ACT Chapter seminar on 17 August

Essays will be judged by a panel of ANZELA members experienced in academic, legal, and education spheres. Choice of topic is open to entrants, providing they address a current issue in education law in an Australian jurisdiction. Essays should be approximately 2000 words long (excluding footnotes and bibliographies). For more details on the requirements, contact nsw@anzela.edu.au.

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You are invited to join David Ford (Partner, Carroll & O'Dea Lawyers) for The law of negligence in Australian schools (Session 2 of the ANZELA Online Education Law Course) on 15 March, 6PM AEDT—FREE to ANZELA members only.

Whether or not you were able to attend the introductory session of our new online education law course, you can still enrol in this month's Zoom session where ANZELA member David Ford will guide you through the ins and outs of negligence in the school environment.

As the course has been designed to allow participants in the course to attend as few or as many of the individual sessions as they wish, you will not be disadvantaged if you

missed the introductory session in February.

The course is designed for people who have not completed a law degree, however, everyone is welcome. We have participants at all levels of experience in education and law - from beginning teachers to principals & partners in law firms. The use of case studies, together with interactive discussion sessions with participants and session leaders, means theory meets real-life examples in the seminar-style format.

The full course is delivered monthly by Zoom and ends in November 2023 with a time commitment of 3hrs per month. Participants are able to attend all 3hrs or select the parts of the course they wish to attend. Sessions are not recorded.

To attend *The law of negligence in Australian schools* on 15 March, or for any enquiries about the session, or the education law course, please contact Dr Tryon Francis at tryon.francis1@yahoo.com

Calling NSW/ACT members & non-members interested in Education Law : Apply now for NSW Chapter scholarships & grants for the 2023 National Conference in Wellington NZ! Applications close 31 July 2023

The NSW ACT Chapter offers one scholarship and two grants to assist eligible persons to attend the Conference. We encourage NSW & ACT lawyers; teachers, administrators and others employed in NSW or ACT public, private or independent schools or in the Tertiary sector, TAFE and other vocational post-school institutions; and students in either law or education, who would not otherwise be funded by their employer or institution to apply. *Committee members, who are currently on the NSW Chapter Committee cannot apply for NSW/ACT grants and Scholarships.*

The Robert Horton Memorial Scholarship is offered to NSW/ACT teachers, educational

administrators, or early career lawyers with an interest in education to extend the reach and knowledge of the practice of education law. It is offered each year with a value of up to \$3,000 to, in part, enable the recipient to attend the ANZELA Annual Conference.

Two NSW Chapter Grants are also offered by the Chapter to NSW/ACT students in either education or law, teachers, educational administrators, or lawyers with an interest in education to extend the reach and knowledge of the practice of education law. Grants are for up to \$2,000 to, in part, enable the recipient to attend the ANZELA Annual Conference.

For detailed information and application forms see the ANZELA [Awards](#) page or follow the links to:

[Robert Horton Memorial Scholarship - Information](#)

[NSW ANZELA Chapter Grants - Information](#)
[NSW ANZELA Chapter Scholarships & Grants - Application Form](#) (Grants and/or scholarship applications use the same form)

National Scholarship & Anne Shorten Doctoral Award (ANZELA members only)
NSW/ACT members can also apply for the National body scholarships and the Doctoral Award. More details, including requirements, closing dates and forms are also on the ANZELA website [Awards](#) page.

ANZELA Conference 2023, 24-26 September, Wellington New Zealand



Australia and New Zealand Education Law Association CONFERENCE 2023

Kia whakariterite i pae tawhiti hou i te Kaupapa Matauranga me Ture hoki
Preparing for new horizons in education and law

24 - 26 September 2023 | Rydges Wellington

Save the conference dates in your diary!

24 September: Registration desk opens from 12
Welcome cocktail party starts 6pm
25-26 September: Main Conference programme

The conference will explore opportunities and challenges arising from shifting geographical, social, political, legal, technological & educational horizons since 2020.

Anyone with an interest in education & law—teachers, principals and members of boards of trustees, representatives of unions and employer bodies, academics, lawyers and those involved in policy formation and implementation—should attend.

You're urged to book early as WOW (The World of Wearable Art) overlaps with the conference, so there will be high demand for accommodation. [A limited number of rooms will be held for conference delegates at: Rydges Wellington](#) (the conference venue—15% discount depending on availability); & also at the [Atura Wellington](#) (10 minute walk from the conference venue—with discount on the current rate at time of booking with Code: **ANZELAWEB**).

There will be a further update on the programme content in April, with the full programme available in June.

For more details about the Conference or accommodation, contact Jane Battersby (organiser) at jane.battersby@xtra.co.nz

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