



POSITION DESCRIPTION

- 1.0 **POSITION LEVEL:** Research Fellow, Grade 1
- 2.0 **POSITION TITLE:** Postdoctoral Research Fellow (ARC Laureate)
- 3.0 **REPORTS TO:** Professor Mark Finnane
- 4.0 **CENTRE:** ARC Centre of Excellence in Policing and Security
- 5.0 **GROUP:** Arts, Education and Law
- 6.0 **SUPERVISORY RESPONSIBILITIES:** Nil
- 7.0 **POSITION OBJECTIVE:**

A position exists for a Postdoctoral Research Fellow to work with the ARC Laureate Fellowship project team led by Professor Mark Finnane.

Working with the ARC Laureate Fellow (Professor Finnane) and Research Fellow Dr Amanda Kaladelfos, as well as other researchers and postgraduate scholars, the successful applicant will conduct research on the history of the criminal trial in Australia.

This is a research-intensive position. The appointee will be expected to conduct collaborative research with other members of the team. There will also be opportunities to participate in the recruitment and supervision of research students. The appointment will be hosted within the ARC Centre of Excellence in Policing and Security, an inter-disciplinary and inter-university centre providing excellent research support, as well as access to national and international partnerships and opportunities.

8.0 **KEY ACCOUNTABILITIES:**

- 8.1 Conduct research in a collaborative research environment.
- 8.2 Collaborate in data collection, curation and analysis.
- 8.3 Publish high quality research in a variety of media.
- 8.4 Organising meetings and developing relationships of strategic importance for the project.
- 8.5 Compliance with relevant legislation and University policies and procedures, including equity and health & safety and exhibit good practice in relation to same.
- 8.6 Support and fair, ethical and professional work practices in accordance with the University Code of Conduct.

9.0 **POSITION CONTEXT:**

The Centre:

The Australian Research Council (ARC) Centre of Excellence in Policing and Security (CEPS) was established in 2007 under the ARC Centre of Excellence special initiative to boost policing and security research capability in Australia. CEPS extensive network of industry and international partners provide a critical framework for researchers and students to undertake highly innovative, inter-disciplinary and collaborative research internationally and nationally, enriching the research

and policy impact and outcomes of research. CEPS research leadership shapes policy and practice reform to strength the security and wellbeing of Australia.

The position is funded by an Australian Research Council Laureate Fellowship grant (2013-18). The 'Prosecution Project' provides an unparalleled opportunity to investigate the successes, failures and limits of the criminal trial in Australia from the colonial era to the post-war decades. Using the rich resources of Australian archives, it will provide enduring foundational knowledge of Australian criminal justice in its historical and international context. The research team conducting the project includes the Laureate Fellow, two Research Fellows, two PhD scholars, and other research support staff. The project team will also work closely with research partners in criminal justice and legal history within the Centre and with research collaborators in other universities in Australia and elsewhere.

10.0 **DELEGATIONS:** Nil

11.0 **SELECTION CRITERIA:**

- 11.1 A PhD in a relevant field (must have been awarded within the last five years, or have been submitted and under examination).
- 11.2 Experience in research methods, including archival research and quantitative research.
- 11.3 Excellent time management and organisational skills.
- 11.4 Experience in research collaboration.
- 11.5 Demonstrated ability to produce research reports and academic publications.
- 11.6 Ability to work independently but also cooperatively in a research team.
- 11.7 Outline of a research proposal most likely to advance the objectives of the Laureate Fellowship project (the 'Prosecution project').

12.0 **DATE EFFECTIVE:** November 2013

13.0 **APPROVED BY:**

Director, ARC Centre of Excellence in Policing and Security

14.0 **APPLICATION PROCESS:**

Please ensure your application includes the following:

- **Statement addressing each of the selection criteria**
- Brief covering letter outlining your suitability for the role
- Current curriculum vitae/resume which should include:
 - Full name, address, telephone number and email address;
 - Name and email contact of three referees;
 - Details of education, professional training and qualifications;
 - Employment history, including present position and details of relevant professional, consulting or industry experience;
 - Research interests and list of publications;
 - Research grants awarded and any other relevant information, such as offices held in professional bodies, community services etc.

Please note that applications close at 4.30 pm on the closing date.