

# Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Internship

In honour of  
**Mary Buckskin**



Wallmans Lawyers is an Adelaide based, established multi-practice commercial firm, providing an integrated team of nationally recognised leaders with extensive knowledge of key industry sectors.

**We are pleased to invite applications from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander law students to complete an internship at our busy commercial law practice.**

Our internship, in honour of Aboriginal health and welfare advocate, Mary Buckskin\*, provides a unique opportunity for eligible students to develop their practical legal skills and knowledge in a supportive and friendly environment.

**As our inaugural internship recipient you will receive:**

- > Four weeks paid placement in our corporate and commercial practice where you will undertake the responsibilities typical of a law clerk;
- > Mentoring and supervision by senior legal practitioners during the placement;
- > Mentoring sessions throughout the year of the internship;
- > \$500 contribution towards text books in the year of the internship (reimbursed on receipt of invoices);
- > An opportunity to put your learning from law school into practice in the real world setting;
- > Full training on our systems and programs;
- > Continuous feedback regarding your work;
- > Flexibility to meet your university commitments.

## To be considered for the internship, you must:

- > Be enrolled in a law degree and in your first, second or third year of study;
- > Be of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander background;
- > Be able to work at least two days per week over a period of 4 weeks;
- > Have high level written and oral communication skills;
- > Have a demonstrated interest and enthusiasm for corporate governance and commercial law;
- > Have a demonstrated interest and involvement in the local community, and share the human centred ethos of Wallmans Lawyers.

Applications are invited throughout the year. A starting date will be negotiated with the successful applicant. Candidates shortlisted for interview will be contacted directly.

If you believe you could be a good candidate for our program, you are welcome to email your covering letter, resume, and academic transcript to Human Resources Manager, via [hr@wallmans.com.au](mailto:hr@wallmans.com.au) at any stage throughout the year to register your interest.

## About Mary Buckskin\*

Mary Buckskin was a much loved and respected leader in the Aboriginal Health sector, advocating for improved health outcomes and community voices in health provision for over 30 years.

Mary started her career as a nurse and midwife, and progressed to provide policy and governance support for Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisations in numerous capacities.

Mary was passionate about seeing good governance in her sector, and pursued this through her role as Chairperson of Winnunga Nimmityjah, board member of both Nunkuwarrin Yunti Aboriginal Health Service and the Aboriginal Elders and Community Care Services Inc, and as the CEO of the Aboriginal Health Council of South Australia.

Mary set an example for integrity, passion and excellence in all that she did, and supported others to do the same. The Wallmans' Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Internship seeks to honour Mary's legacy, and encourage Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander law students to pursue a career helping the organisations that Mary was so passionate about. We are grateful to Mary's family for consenting to our honouring of her with this internship.