



Kathleen Fitzpatrick Visiting Fellowships in the Laureate Program in Global Corporations and International Law

We have established the Kathleen Fitzpatrick Visiting Fellowship scheme to support outstanding early and mid-career women researchers from any discipline in the humanities and social sciences, working on research relevant to the aims of the [Laureate Program in Global Corporations and International Law](#), and consonant with our methods and theoretical orientations.

Kathleen Fitzpatrick Visiting Fellows will be integrated into the Laureate Program, attend weekly reading groups, research meetings, and work in progress seminars. They will have the opportunity to workshop a draft and receive feedback from the team on their own work, to receive mentoring during their visit from Professor Pahuja, and have the chance to participate in the annual academy in legal research and method run online each year by the Program. They will have a workspace, library access, and will not be required to pay any visitors fees. They will be able to access all other events at the Melbourne Law School and broader university.

Application Criteria

The Fellowships are primarily intended for junior faculty. Applicants for the KFVF must hold a PhD, generally awarded within the past ten years, or have professional experience equivalent to a PhD, and up to 10 years research experience at a university, research institute or NGO. **Current PhD students are generally not eligible to apply**, however in recognition of the fact that the PhD can figure differently in one's career pathway, applications will be considered from applicants who are still enrolled in a PhD if they also concurrently hold a post at a university or research institution and/or have additional prior professional experience in a relevant field. Periods of career interruption can be excluded from the 10 year limit.

Dates

The Kathleen Fitzpatrick Visiting Fellowship is offered for a period of one to three months. Proposed visits should not begin in January, July or December, nor substantially include those months. Visits longer than three months will not be supported.

Funding

Between 2023 and 2024, we offered 6 KFV fellowships.

From 2025 – 2027, there will be **one funded fellowship available per year** with an amount of funding attached that is designed to make it possible for scholars from the Global South without institutional funds to visit Australia for a period of just under three months. For these fellowships we particularly encourage applications from scholars from, and working on, Latin America, Africa, East and South-East Asia and the Pacific. Outside of these jurisdictions, the KFV fellowship offers part-funding and is calculated on a pro-rata basis, depending on the length of the visit.

A condition of the KFVF grant is that these funds can only be used towards accommodation and travel (not Visa fees). Therefore, an applicant will most likely be required to part-self-fund or secure additional funding elsewhere for the visit.

Unfunded KFVF

There will also be **up to two unfunded fellowships per year**. Applicants who do not require funding, if selected, will receive the same title and privileges. Applicants will be responsible for securing and funding their own visas.

Application Materials

- Curriculum vitae (underline your last name) (max 5 pages).
- Research Statement (maximum 1000 words). Make particular reference to how your research connects to questions about corporations and international law.
- Statement of Motivation about why you want to visit the LPGCIL (maximum 300 words).
- Proposed dates of the visit.
- Whether you are applying for a funded or unfunded KFVF.
- Statement of Eligibility setting out:
 - Whether you originate from and are working on one of our priority regions.
 - Either the date you finished your PhD along with the institution, title and supervisors or the experience you wish to denote as equivalent to PhD; and
 - Positions since then with dates; or
 - If you are a currently enrolled in a doctorate, the start date and status of your PhD, thesis title, abstracts, institution, and supervisors, as well as your current institutional position with dates; and
 - Dates of career interruption (if relevant).
- The name and contact details of two referees. Normally at least one of the referees should be your former PhD supervisor.

Application Format

- Please submit the application as a **single PDF with numbered pages**.
- On the first page, include your title, full name (underline your last name) and contact details.
- Create a separate page for each of the following headings: (i) Curriculum Vitae; (ii) Research Statement; (iii) Statement of Motivation; (iv) Proposed Visit Dates & funding status; (v) Statement of eligibility; and (vi) names and contact details of two referees.
- Submit your application to Fellowships-LPGCIL@unimelb.edu.au and in the subject line, add your title, first and last name, and the name of the Fellowship (KFVF).

Important Dates

Closing Date for Applications for Funded Fellowships to be taken up in 2025: **19 June 2024**.
If a suitable applicant is not selected, a second round will be considered on **20 August 2024**.

For unfunded visits from August 2024 – June 2025, application in the required format will be considered in 2024 on 26 March, 19 June, 18 September, and 11 December.

Closing dates for visits in 2026 and 2027 will be available in 2025.

Conditions of Award

KFVF's will be expected to participate fully in the life of the Program during their visit. They will be required to write a short statement reporting on their visit within one month of the visit and may be asked to participate in a video interview about their work for the Program media.