

# Mediation and Family Dispute Resolution Short Courses

BECOME A NATIONALLY ACCREDITED MEDIATOR AND / OR AN ACCREDITED FAMILY DISPUTE RESOLUTION PRACTITIONER TO ISSUE S60I CERTIFICATES

QUT is offering 4 mediation short courses aimed at legal and other professionals. These courses are designed for professionals seeking:

- To meet the training requirements of the Australian National Mediator Standards (July 2015) and/ or
- Provide equivalent learning to the compulsory units of the Graduate Diploma of Family Dispute Resolution required for family dispute resolution practitioner ('FDRP') accreditation.



### Mediation LWN206 CPE

**QUT** Law

#### 5 days: 8-12 February 2017: 9.00am-5.00pm

This course covers the requirements of the National Mediator Accreditation Standards. It includes how to conduct a facilitative mediation process, encourage option generation and exploration, facilitating interestbased negotiations, communication and conflict resolution skills, private meetings, mediator impartiality, ethics and legal issues in mediation.

## Family Dispute Resolution LWN204 CPE

#### 5 days: 1-5 March 2017: 9.00am-5.00pm

This course covers the requirements of FDRP accreditation (apart from the more in-depth coverage of the facilitative mediation process in the Mediation course). It includes how to conduct an effective Intake process and an introduction to the facilitative mediation process in children's and financial cases. It also covers family dynamics, how to encourage parents to enter into child focused and developmentally appropriate parenting arrangements, managing power imbalances, domestic violence and child protection issues.

## National Mediator Assessment Course CPE

#### 2 days: 4-5 March 2017: 9.00am-5.00pm

After completion of the QUT Mediation course (or equivalent) this 2 day course provides you with 1 further day of practise as a facilitative mediator with feedback from a nationally accredited coach. On the second day you will undertake your national mediation assessment. After successfully completing both the Mediation and assessment course you will be eligible to apply to become a nationally accredited mediator with an organisation such as the Bar Association or Australian Mediation Association.

## Family Mediation Clinic SWN021 CPE

#### Two mediations:

After successful completion of LWN204, LWN206 (or equivalent courses) and your national mediation assessment this course will enable you to undertake supervised practice which is a prerequisite to applying for FDRP accreditation. You will mediate family law disputes at the QUT Family Law Service under the supervision of an experienced and accredited FDRP. For details of this service see http://www.healthclinics.qut.edu.au/servicesoffered/family-mediation-service.jsp



## **Trainers**:

**QUT** Law



### Donna Cooper LLB(QUT)/ LLM (QUT)

Donna is a Senior Lecturer in the QUT Law Faculty and teaches mediation and family law. She is an accredited FDRP and a nationally accredited mediator with the Australian Mediation Association. Donna started her career as a family lawyer and is now an experienced mediator conducting private family and workplace mediations. She is also a sessional mediator for Legal Aid Queensland, Relationships Australia Queensland and Evolve Workplaces. Donna is a current member of the Queensland Law Society ADR Committee. She is a co-author of the text, A Harland et al, Family Law Principles (2nd ed., Lawbook, 2015) and has published extensively in dispute resolution.



#### Jenny Felton BA/BSocWk (UQ)

Jenny is a Lecturer in the Health Faculty and has a background as a social worker with extensive experience teaching mediation, communication and conflict management. She is an experienced mediator, an accredited FDRP and nationally accredited mediator with the Australian Mediation Association. Jenny is a member of the Legal Aid Queensland Conference Chairperson Panel, a sessional member of QCAT and a member of the QCAT ADR Committee.

## **Costs & Registraion:**

Mediation LWN206 / Family Dispute Resolution LWN204: \$2275 (per course) GST free

National Assessment Course: \$1200 GST free

Further information: Donna Cooper at d.cooper@qut.edu.au or phone 3138 1094

Family Mediation Clinic SWN021: \$1932 GST free

**Further information:** Jenny Felton at j.felton@qut.edu.au or phone 3138 4727

**Further information and online registration is at:** https://www.qut.edu.au/study/short-courses-andprofessional-development/short-courses/professionalmediation-program **Note:** LWN204 and LWN206 can be undertaken in any order and can also be completed as Master of Laws specialist elective units see https://www.qut.edu.au/study/courses/master-of-laws

**Note:** For solicitors, attendance at LWN204 and LWN206 entitles you to 5 CPD points per course to assist with meeting the continuing professional development requirements of the Queensland Law Society. For barristers, attendance at LWN204 and LWN206 entitles you to 26 CPD points per course to assist with meeting the continuing professional development requirements of the Bar Association of Queensland.