The Director of the Griffith University Innocence Project invites students to apply for enrolment into the course for Semester 1, 2012. The Innocence Project brings together lawyers, academics and law students to work together on a pro-bono basis to investigate claims of wrongful conviction with the aim of freeing innocent persons from incarceration. The course is based at the Gold Coast campus.

Students will work in teams under the supervision of the Director and instruction from legal practitioners, Nyst Lawyers. Students will undertake research, analyse reports and explore avenues of fresh evidence to investigate claims of wrongful conviction.

An intensive workshop will be held on Tuesday 28 February, 2012 from 3pm to 7.30pm. This intensive instruction is compulsory. Regular meetings with the Director and lawyers take place on Tuesday evenings, starting at 6.00pm on the Gold Coast campus. The first meeting will be included in the intensive workshop on Tuesday 28 February, 2012. Other hours working on the Project are flexible.

Students who wish to apply to be involved in the project should make a written application on the prescribed application form available on the blackboard site, or from Griffith Law School, Nathan and Gold Coast campuses. Applications should be submitted to Lynne Weathered, Director, Innocence Project, Griffith Law School, Gold Coast campus, Griffith University, QLD, 4222 by the due date.

On receipt of the applications, successful students will be selected into the course on the basis of their application form. An interview may also take place. Preference will be given to fourth and fifth year students who are undertaking, or have completed, 4031LAW Criminal Procedure and Sentencing; 4032LAW The Principles of Criminal Law; and 4022LAW Evidence.

Fourth and fifth year students with a passion for justice are encouraged to apply. Enrolments are currently limited to 15 students per semester. Students will normally work in teams of two or three. Students will often be allotted more than one case, depending on the work required and according to the demands of each individual case.

Students will be notified of the outcome of their application by email as soon as possible after the closing date.

Applications close on Friday, 9 December, 2012