

# Westlaw - Advanced Research Skills for Students

## Westlaw NZ, Westlaw UK, Westlaw Classic

### Session Overview

This interactive student workshop allows students to seek assistance from a Training Specialist on a legal research task, topic, or thesis. The Trainer will provide guidance and best practice on research strategies leveraging various Westlaw platforms, including Westlaw NZ, Westlaw Classic and Westlaw UK.

The content can include New Zealand and International cases, journals, commentaries, news, and encyclopaedic works.

Note: It is recommended students have completed an introductory Westlaw course prior to attending this course.

### Workshop Agenda

- Identifying research objectives
  - Open discussion on task, topic, or thesis
- Planning your research
  - Identify required Westlaw platforms
  - Select relevant content types
- Implementing relevant search strategies
  - Browse vs Search
  - Terms and Connectors vs Natural Language
  - Identify keywords and build search string
- Working with results
  - Analysing results
  - Refining and filtering results
- Document delivery options including download, print and email

### Session Duration

Approximately 60 minutes

### Session Delivery Methods

Microsoft Teams - The Webinar session allows the participant to view the trainer's computer screen as they demonstrate research strategies on Westlaw NZ. At no time does the trainer access your computer.

### Training Specialists

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