



Saunders
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WHY JOIN OUR SUMMER CLERKSHIP PROGRAMME?

Our annual summer clerkship programme runs from November to February.

Our Summer Clerkship Programme is designed to provide the support and mentorship you need to succeed, not only as a student, but as a future lawyer as well.

We are a mid-tier firm, well known for our market leading expertise. Our size gives us the flexibility to cater for a diverse range of legal work for clients all around New Zealand, and enables us to maintain our inclusive and respectful culture. Our high partner ratio also means that you will be closely mentored by some of the leading lawyers in their respective fields.

Your future is our focus. The defining element of our clerkship programme is the hands-on experience you will receive. During your time with us you will have the opportunity to attend client interviews, be involved in client transactions and attend court with our litigators. You will also have the ability to attend legal education webinars and come along to our team and firm social events.

During your clerkship you will be paired with a buddy who will help show you the ropes and, most importantly, make sure you are having fun!

You will spend your time working with all of our core practice groups:

- COMMERCIAL
- PROPERTY
- TRUSTS AND ESTATES
- FAMILY
- DISPUTE RESOLUTION

BENEFITS

- Competitive salary.
- Rotation through all our practice groups and exposure to interesting, real world projects.
- Professional development - the opportunity to develop not only your legal expertise but also your personal brand and reputation.
- Mentorship - we make sure you spend time with lawyers from within the firm who have specific skill sets in areas you are interested in.
- Involvement in our social events and sports teams.
- Participation in our wellbeing programme - enabling a healthy work life balance.
- Buddy system - a team member of a similar career stage who will support and look after you during your time at our firm.
- Paid Christmas leave - so you can enjoy the summer sun.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Are high grades the be all and end all?

While a technical knowledge of the law is important, it is not the only skill you need to be a good lawyer. Your ability to relate to other people and be a team player is just as important. We pride ourselves on our firm culture and look for well rounded staff to join our team..

Will I have client contact?

Yes, we think it is important for you to have client contact so you have an opportunity to learn one of the most important aspects of practising law; interacting and dealing with clients.

What time commitment will you expect from me?

We encourage a healthy work-life balance and late nights and weekend work is not expected. For us it's not about hours at your desk, it's about efficiency.

Do I have the possibility of a graduate position with Saunders Robinson Brown?

Certainly. While being a summer clerk does not automatically mean you will be offered a graduate position, if you show you have what it takes to be a member of our team we will discuss possible future opportunities.

TESTIMONIALS

"The firm culture at Saunders Robinson Brown makes it an amazing place to have your first experience of the legal profession. Everyone is so welcoming and truly wants to help you to learn and grow. There are lots of opportunities to get involved with interesting work and you get a real understanding of how a law firm operates. Doing a summer clerkship with Saunders Robinson Brown was the best decision I have ever made, and I would recommend it to anyone!" -Alice

"Saunders Robinson Brown's summer clerkship was such an enjoyable experience. The culture at the firm is unbeatable, and everyone is so friendly, genuine, and supportive. I really valued the opportunity to do real work for real clients across a range of different practice areas. The summer clerkship programme allowed me to place what I learnt at university into context and made the remainder of my studies more exciting." -Paris

KEY DATES

7 March 2025 Applications open

30 March 2025 Applications close

April 2025 Interviews booked

May 2025 Offers made

Mid November 2025 Clerkship starts

Mid February 2026 Clerkship ends

HOW TO APPLY

Visit the summer clerkship page at:

srblaw.co.nz

Application form, CV and academic transcript to be sent to:

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