

Kobra Moradi Bio



Kobra Moradi is one of the recipients of the 2019 Euan Crone Scholarship from the Australian Institute of International Affairs.

Last year, she completed a double degree in Bachelor of Laws and Bachelor of International Relations from La Trobe University. She also completed an Honours Thesis in law, assessing impartial situation and case selection at the International Criminal Court. During her studies she participated in numerous moot court competitions. In 2018, she represented La Trobe University at the Nuremberg Moot in Germany.

Kobra is currently undertaking an internship with the Office of the International Co-Prosecutor at the Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia. The Court was set up to bring to trial senior leaders of Democratic Kampuchea and those most responsible for serious violations of Cambodian Penal Law and

international crimes, that were committed between April 1975 to January 1979.

Prior to this, she was an intern at the UNHCR Multi-Country Representation in Canberra, providing assistance to the Legal Protection Unit. She has volunteered in refugee advocacy to raise awareness about the rights of refugees and asylum seekers. In 2015 and 2016, she volunteered at the Cisarua Refugee Learning Centre in Indonesia.

Kobra has an interest in human rights and international law. She has completed legal and policy research papers for the Parliament of Victoria and the Australian Lawyers for Human Rights on children's rights to education and the right to family reunion for refugees under domestic and international refugee and human rights law.

Kobra is interested in public interest law. She says, "as a girl and an immigrant, I know exactly what it means to be dehumanised, marginalised and underrepresented. But, I also know that the status quo can be challenged, changed and improved. Law can play a critical role in this regard. There is no easy way to resolve national and global issues. Change requires patience, collaboration and commitment. As individuals, we can take significant steps to promote human rights and justice. Individual actions accumulate and can contribute towards a larger movement. For me, self-reflection is important, including about my career. I want my work to be meaningful and have a positive impact."