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Criminal Code Part 10: Fashion Crimes



Now I admit I am not a style guru. I grew up in a town where it is perfectly acceptable to wear masseur sandals, the kind popular with grandmas the world over.

But in a quest to overcome my hidden inner bogan I took to heart the following fashion faux pas:

1. Tight black skinny leg Sass and Bide jeans

Before you scream that they were THE fashion item of winter 2006 let me clarify. Half the female law population who wear them look fantastic. But remember, half the population are below average. There are some wearers who go beyond muffining (bagel-ling perhaps). The worst I saw was a law student who teamed the skinny black jeans with a Blues origin jersey (surely there is something against that in the Qld Constitution). For the record - I cant pull them off.

2. Suits

We're law students and once we graduate the suit will become the staple of our wardrobe. But nothing makes you look more like a twat then wearing a suit. If you're coming from work – get changed, or at the bare minimum take off your tie.

3. Highschool Senior Jerseys

Nothing screams "first year" like a jersey with the year you finished high school emblazoned on the back. In the secondary education system it may have made you top of the food chain but here in the real world (or university for the) you're inviting people to lock you in toilet cubicles.

4. Using roller suitcases

Technically an accessory but fashion all the same. I agree with your claims that they are practical (you can fit a whole carton in there) but if high heels have taught us nothing it's that looking good can be painful. Being cool is worth Scoliosis.

If you're guilty of any of the above and wish not to be sentenced to four years of being looked down on in the law library here's how you can't go wrong.

Havianas - comfortable and suit any outfit

Vote for Pedro T-shirts - they're aaaahsome

Denim - worn only below the waist, we're not in the 80s

Preppy polo shirts (males and females)

Shoulder bags big enough to fit in your Carter's annotated criminal code

Side swept fringes we hope our kids dont look back on these like we look back on our parents perms



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What is your association with QUT?

Attended between 1996 and 1999 as a full time student (IT & Law) and then part time external from 2000 to 2004 (Law).

What is your role at CGW?

IT manager. I head up a team of 5 IT professionals who support our legal staff in using the firm's technology. The most exciting part of the role is the contact I have with partners and senior management in steering the direction of the firm.

What are your memories of QUT?

Queuing for a printer that was only busy when assignments were due (5 minutes before the assignment was due), many happy hours spent in the library photocopy room (the day before the assignment was due), many happy hours spent in the pub (the night after the assignment was due), many not so happy hours spent in the pub (the day the results were handed back).

What have you taken from university into "the real world"?

The most universal thing a law degree teaches you is problem solving skills. The ability to look at a challenge from every angle and examine every possible solution is something I use every day.

What are your tips for students who are looking for a career in law?

Make the most of the wide and varied opportunities you have right now to create networks. You never know who you might be able to help, or who might be able to help you, down the track. Get to know your fellow students, lecturers and tutors – and not just those of the same age and background as yourself. Have lots of fun doing it. Start your assignments well ahead of the date they are due! www.cgw.com.au

Congratulations...



Christina Surm and **Helen Keech** winners of the Junior Moot with judges **Chris George** and **Mick May** from Cooper Grace Ward

Law Survival Tip #6

Listening to lectures as bad as Celine Dion concerts? Speed them up in MediaPlayer under the 'Enhancements' menu. We're hoping technology will soon be able to remove "ahhs", "umms" and non-examinable tangents.

Senior Mooting Final

Come watch some of QUT's finest mooters battle it out in front of

Justice Keane of the Queensland Court of Appeal
and

Justice Fryberg of the Supreme Court of Queensland

Friday 25th May 5:30pm

Tao Van de Graaff and Reuben Kearney
(for the appellants)

v

Susan Hedge and Ben Fraser
(for the respondents)



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