Submission Sheet for the
2018 ALTA Best Conference Paper Awards

In keeping with its mission to promote excellence in research, including the scholarship of teaching and learning, and to support early career academics, there will be three annual awards on offer for papers presented at the Annual Conference of the Australasian Law Teachers Association (ALTA). They are:

- Best Overall Conference Paper
- Best Early Career Academic Conference Paper
- Best Legal Education Conference Paper

The winner of each award will receive $500 AUD.

Papers will be blind refereed by the ALTA Selection Committee. The Selection Committee will consist of at least three members in total, chosen from the ALTA New Zealand and Australian Executives and former award winners.

Entries close **Friday 8 June 2018**

IMPORTANT:

- Please fill in the Submission Sheet and **in the same email**, **attach both your paper and the completed Submission Sheet**, and send to the ALTA Secretariat (admin@alta.edu.au).

- After the Conference, the Selection Committee will follow up with Conveners of ALTA Interest Groups to confirm presentation of papers submitted for the Best Conference Paper Awards.

1.   AUTHOR AND MANUSCRIPT DETAILS

Title of Manuscript:	
Name of Author(s):	
Submission date:	

2. **MANUSCRIPT** (to mark boxes- double click then select 'checked' under default value)

Please note that all entries to the Best Early Career Academic Conference Paper Award and Best Legal Education Conference Paper Award are also automatically entered into the Overall Best Conference Paper Award.

☐ I wish to submit my paper for the Best Conference Paper Award

☐ I wish to submit my paper for the Best Early Career Academic Conference Paper Award and it has been <u>no longer</u> than 3 years since my first academic appointment.

Date of appointment	
Name of Employer	

☐ I wish to submit my paper for the Best Legal Education Conference Paper Award

3. **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT / SUBMISSION CRITERIA**

☐ I am a current ALTA member. If the paper is jointly written, at least one author must be an ALTA member.

☐ I acknowledge that I have presented the paper at the ALTA Conference to which it is submitted, either during a session or through a poster medium.

☐ I acknowledge that my paper has not been <u>submitted*</u> elsewhere for publication or published elsewhere. *Submission to the 2012 Edition of JALTA is the only exception.

☐ I acknowledge that the paper submitted has not been presented at the ALTA Annual Conference as a result of an invitation by the Conference Organisers nor will it be presented at a plenary session of the Conference.

☐ I acknowledge that I am not and will not be on the Selection Committee for these awards.

☐ I acknowledge that should I win and my paper is subsequently published elsewhere, I will acknowledge receipt of the award in the paper.

☐ My citation and text are according to the latest version of the Melbourne University Law Review, *Australian Guide to Legal Citation 3rd Edition.*

4. EVALUATION

The Selection Committee will evaluate papers on the following criteria:

(a) Significance and relevance of paper to Conference theme (This criterion is not applicable to the Legal Education Award);

(b) Choice of topic and analysis of issues;

(c) Quality of originality and research;

(d) Relationship to literature and theory;

(e) Coherence of argument and structure;

(f) Clarity of conclusions;

(g) Writing style and referencing