

## Bachelor of Commerce/Bachelor of Laws (810AA)

**Award:** Bachelor of Laws, Bachelor of Commerce

**Faculty:** Faculty of Business & Government

**University Admissions Centre (UAC) Course Code:** 361323

**CRICOS Code:** 054133G

**Offered Locations and Delivery Modes:**

- **UC Bruce Campus**

- Full Time, Face-to-Face -

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## Introduction

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This double degree is for students of high ability who aim to make careers where law and the chosen commerce major coincide.

The Bachelor of Commerce provides a flexible program of studies in commerce. Students study in areas such as accountancy, banking and financial services, economics, entrepreneurship, financial planning, human resource management, information systems, international business, and marketing.

The Bachelor of Laws prepares students for employment in the legal profession. It has a strong practical and skills orientation and equips students with competencies in the basic areas of legal practice. It has a strong commercial orientation, which meets the educational requirements of graduates of this degree. The degree in law may be awarded with honours.

The Bachelor of Commerce may be taken out when 72 credit points have been attained and the requirements of that degree are met. Students are advised to follow the recommended study program.

## Course Requirements

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120 credit points as follows:

- (a) Required (81 credit points)
- (b) Restricted choice (36 credit points)
- (c) Open elective (3 credit points)

**(a) Required units (81 credit points) comprising:**

(i) 21 credit points from the Bachelor of Commerce as follows:  
Business and Government Foundation Program with the exception of the unit 4977 Introduction to Business Law.

(ii) 60 credit points from the Bachelor of Laws as follows:  
Law Foundation Major (18 credit points)  
Corporate and Commercial Law Major (restricted) (18 credit points)  
Legal Practice Major (restricted) (24 credit points)

**(b) Restricted choice (36 credit points)**

(i) Commerce restricted major (24 credit points), chosen from the following:

Accounting major  
Banking and Financial Services major  
Business Management major  
Economics major  
Financial Planning major  
Human Resource Management major  
Information Systems major  
International Business major  
Marketing Management major

(ii) Law electives (12 credit points) from a list to be advised.

**(c) Open elective (3 credit points):** one unit selected from any area of the University.

## Course Duration

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10 semesters full time; equivalent part-time; maximum 24 semesters.

## Typical Course Structure

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Further details to be advised:

**Semester 1**

**YEAR 1**

6602 Legal Systems  
5617 Accounting for Managers  
6355 Introduction to Economics  
4207 Introduction to Management

**YEAR 2**

6594 Contract Law  
6357 Introduction to Marketing  
Restricted Commerce major 1  
Restricted Commerce major 2

**YEAR 3**

7024 Corporations Law  
Restricted Commerce major 5  
Restricted Commerce major 6  
7022 Constitutional Law

**YEAR 4**

7029 Equity Law

**Semester 2**

6601 Legal Methods and Skills  
6348 Information Systems in Organisations  
5123 Business Statistics  
6606 Government-Business Relations

7037 Introduction to Taxation Law  
Restricted Commerce major 3  
Restricted Commerce major 4  
Open elective

7042 Law of Obligations  
Restricted Commerce major 7  
Restricted Commerce major 8  
7050 Property Law

6593 Competition and Consumer Law

7051 Public Companies Law  
7055 Taxation of Entities and Tax  
Planning  
Law elective \*

### **YEAR 5**

7025 Criminal Law and Procedure  
7047 Litigation and Dispute Processing  
7019 Advanced Legal Research and  
Writing  
Law elective \*

7035 Intellectual Property Law

7018 Administrative Law

Law elective \*

7030 Evidence Law

7046 Legal Theory

7043 Lawyers and Professional  
Responsibility

Law elective \*

\* Students undertaking the course with Honours will enrol in the unit 7039 Law Honours in place of a Law elective.

## **Admission Requirements**

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Attainment of the published UAI or its equivalent.

### **Requirements for Law Degrees with Honours:**

The degree of Bachelor of Laws may be awarded with first or second class honours. Refer to the description for the single Bachelor of Laws/Bachelor of Laws (Honours) course for details of the honours requirements.

## **Assumed Knowledge**

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Refer to assumed knowledge entries for individual courses.

International students need to meet the English language requirements of the University of Canberra. Students should note the assumed knowledge requirements for individual majors when choosing a program of study.

## **Professional Recognition**

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For the **Bachelor of Commerce**, the University will seek professional accreditation:

**Accounting** - from CPA Australia and the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Australia

**Banking and Finance** - from the Australasian Institute of Banking and Finance

**Financial Planning** - from the Australia Securities and Investment Commission and the Financial Planning Association.

**LLB:** This program is recognised by the Supreme Court of the Australian Capital Territory and the State of NSW. Through mutual recognition, UC's degree may serve as the basis for admission in all Australian jurisdictions.

Through a program offered in conjunction with the College of Law, students may (in their final year of the Bachelor of Laws at UC) begin their Graduate Diploma in Legal Practice course that qualifies them for admission.

## **Course Enquiries**

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Further assistance may be sought from the Faculty of Business and Government and the Faculty of Law.