

Bachelor of Building and Construction

Management/Bachelor of Laws (239JA.1)

Please note these are the 2015 details for this course

Domestic students

Selection rank	
Delivery mode	On campus
Location	
Duration	5.5 years
Faculty	Faculty of Business, Government & Law
Discipline	Canberra Business School Canberra Law School
UAC code	
English language requirements	An IELTS Academic score of 6.0 overall, with no band score below 6.0 (or equivalent). View IELTS equivalences

International students

Academic entry requirements	To study at UC, you'll need to meet our academic entry requirements and any admission requirements specific to your course. Please read your course admission requirements below. To find out whether you
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meet UC's academic entry requirements, visit our [academic entry requirements page](#).

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Delivery mode On campus

Location

Duration 5.5 years

Faculty Faculty of Business, Government & Law

Discipline Canberra Business School
Canberra Law School

CRICOS code 077627F

English language requirements An IELTS Academic score of 6.0 overall, with no band score below 6.0 (or equivalent).

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About this course

This course provides a combination of legal qualifications with qualification in building and construction management. It will provide a specialisation in building and construction law for as part of a law qualification and provide an opportunity for aspiring construction managers to add a legal qualification to their skill set, enabling them to further enhance their capacity to manage higher level issues in building and construction projects. This course will qualify a student to practise as a lawyer with a specialisation in construction law. It is designed specifically for students wishing to combine a qualification to manage construction projects with a more advanced understanding of legal framework within which the construction industry operates. It will also train construction managers who require the capacity to action and resolve legal issues that arise during the course of their work.

Professional accreditation

Professional accreditation:

The Building and Construction Management course has been successfully reviewed and has attained accreditation by the Australian Institute of Building (AIB) and the Australian Institute of Quantity Surveyors* (AIQS) until December 2012.

* AIQS accreditation requires certain units to be performed through the University of Canberra and distance learning through the University of Newcastle.

LLB: This program is recognised by the Supreme Court of the Australian Capital Territory and the State of New South Wales. 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 for them for admission. Arrangements exist for students to articulate into programs leading to admission in the UK and the United States.

Admission requirements

Normal UC requirements for admission to an undergraduate course.

Additional admission requirements

Refer to individual courses.

Assumed knowledge

Refer to individual courses.

Periods course is open for new admissions

This course is not open for new admissions.

Credit arrangements

There are currently no formal credit transfer arrangements for entry to this course. Any previous study or work experience will only be considered as part of the application process in accordance with current [course rules and university policy](#).

Course requirements

Bachelor of Building and Construction Management/Bachelor of Laws (239JA) | 132 credit points

Required - 108 credit points as follows

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Building - 63 credit points as follows

Major in Building and Construction Management (MJ0134) | 24 credit points

Required - Must pass 24 credit points as follows

[Building and Construction Studies 2 \(7823\) | 3 credit points – Level 2](#)

[Building and Construction Studies 3 \(7824\) | 3 credit points – Level 3](#)

Building and Construction Law (7827) | 3 credit points – Level 2
Construction Project Management (7828) | 3 credit points – Level 3
Sustainable Buildings and Technologies (8038) | 3 credit points – Level 3
Structures and Materials (8041) | 3 credit points – Level 1
Building and Construction Studies 1 (8518) | 3 credit points – Level 1
Building and Construction Studies 4 (8790) | 3 credit points – Level 3

Required Units - Must pass 18 credit points as follows

Introduction to Management (4207) | 3 credit points – Level 1
Accounting for Managers (5617) | 3 credit points – Level 1
Information Systems in Organisations (6348) | 3 credit points – Level 1
Government-Business Relations (6606) | 3 credit points – Level 1
Problem Evaluation and Resolution (8730) | 3 credit points – Level 2
Problem Analysis and Statistics (8732) | 3 credit points – Level 1

Quantity Surveying Core Units - Must pass 12 credit points as follows

Estimating and Measurement 2 (7826) | 3 credit points – Level 2
Contract Administration (7829) | 3 credit points – Level 3
Estimating and Measurement 1 (8519) | 3 credit points – Level 1
Construction Procurement (8527) | 3 credit points – Level 2

Work Experience/Industry Based Learning - Must pass 9 credit points as follows

- Note 1: Students are required to undertake 80 days of work experience in the building and construction industry. This will form part of the formal assessment of the course.

- Note 2: Students will undertake distance learning units as well as a dissertation over two semesters, which may be offered in trimester mode.

Industry Based Learning 1 (8787) | 3 credit points – Level 2
Industry Based Learning 2 (8788) | 3 credit points – Level 2
Industry Based Learning 3 (8789) | 3 credit points – Level 3

Law - 45 credit points as follows

Major in Legal Practice (Restricted) (MJ0083) | 24 credit points

Required - Must pass 21 credit points as follows

- Administrative Law (7018) | 3 credit points – Level 3
- Equity Law (7029) | 3 credit points – Level 3
- Evidence Law (7030) | 3 credit points – Level 3
- Lawyers and Professional Responsibility (7043) | 3 credit points – Level 3
- Legal Theory (7046) | 3 credit points – Level 3
- Litigation and Dispute Processing (7047) | 3 credit points – Level 4
- Property Law (7050) | 3 credit points – Level 2

Restricted Choice - Must pass 3 credit points from the following

- Advanced Legal Research and Writing (7019) | 3 credit points – Level 4
- Advanced Legal Research and Writing (Honours) (8358) | 3 credit points – Level 4

Major in Law Foundation (MJ0082) | 21 credit points

Required - Must pass 21 credit points as follows

- Contract Law (6594) | 3 credit points – Level 1
- Legal Methods and Skills (6601) | 3 credit points – Level 1
- Legal Systems (6602) | 3 credit points – Level 1
- Constitutional Law (7022) | 3 credit points – Level 3
- Corporations Law (7024) | 3 credit points – Level 3
- Criminal Law and Procedure (7025) | 3 credit points – Level 3
- Law of Obligations (7042) | 3 credit points – Level 2

Restricted Choice - Must pass 24 credit points from the following

Law Electives (LAWELECTS) | credit points

Restricted Choice - May select from

- Competition and Consumer Law (6593) | 3 credit points – Level 3
- Cybercrime (7026) | 3 credit points – Level 2
- Employment Discrimination and the Law (7027) | 3 credit points – Level 3
- Family Law (7031) | 3 credit points – Level 3
- Human Rights Law (7033) | 3 credit points – Level 3

Intellectual Property Law (7035) | 3 credit points – Level 3

Introduction to Taxation Law (7037) | 3 credit points – Level 1

International Trade Law (7038) | 3 credit points – Level 2

Legal Research Project (7045) | 3 credit points – Level 3

Public Companies Law (7051) | 3 credit points – Level 3

Student Law Internship (7053) | 3 credit points – Level 2

Client Advocacy and Communication Skills (7570) | 3 credit points – Level 4

Current Legal Issues (7870) | 3 credit points – Level 4

Employment Law (7906) | 3 credit points – Level 2

Environmental and Planning Law (7907) | 3 credit points – Level 2

Therapeutic Jurisprudence (7917) | 3 credit points – Level 3

Mental Health and the Law (8055) | 3 credit points – Level 2

International Law (8062) | 3 credit points – Level 3

Indigenous Australians and the Law (8245) | 3 credit points – Level 3

Justice Policy and Community Engagement (8359) | 3 credit points – Level 3

Young People and Crime (8507) | 3 credit points – Level 2

Women and the Law (8523) | 3 credit points – Level 2

Canberra Law Review (8672) | 3 credit points – Level 3

Comparative Law (8673) | 3 credit points – Level 3

International Commercial Arbitration (8683) | 3 credit points – Level 3

Mooting (8685) | 3 credit points – Level 4

Law in Action Project (8749) | 3 credit points – Level 4

Legal Advice Clinic (8892) | 3 credit points – Level 4

International Sale of Goods Law (8894) | 3 credit points – Level 3

Criminology (9177) | 3 credit points – Level 3

Privacy, Confidentiality and Access Law (9275) | 3 credit points – Level 3

Alternative Dispute Resolution in Law (9422) | 3 credit points – Level 2

Note:

- Honours: Eligible students will enrol in 7039 Law Honours in place of a Law Elective in their last year.

In addition to course requirements, in order to successfully complete your course you must meet the inherent requirements. Please refer to the [inherent requirements statement](#) applicable to your course

Typical study pattern

UC - Canberra, Bruce

Standard Full Time, Semester 1 Commencing

Year 1

Semester 1

Building and Construction Studies 1 (8518)

Government-Business Relations (6606)

Legal Methods and Skills (6601)

Legal Systems (6602)

Semester 2

Contract Law (6594)

Estimating and Measurement 1 (8519)

Law of Obligations (7042)

Structures and Materials (8041)

Year 2

Semester 1

Construction Procurement (8527)

Corporations Law (7024)

Estimating and Measurement 2 (7826)

Problem Analysis and Statistics (8732)

Semester 2

Building and Construction Law (7827)

Building and Construction Studies 2 (7823)

Introduction to Management (4207)

Property Law (7050)

Year 3

Semester 1

Building and Construction Studies 3 (7824)

Constitutional Law (7022)

Contract Administration (7829)

Industry Based Learning 1 (8787)

Semester 2

Construction Project Management (7828)

Legal Theory (7046)

Problem Evaluation and Resolution (8730)

Sustainable Buildings and Technologies (8038)

Year 4

Semester 1

Accounting for Managers (5617)

Criminal Law and Procedure (7025)

Equity Law (7029)

Industry Based Learning 2 (8788)

Semester 2

Administrative Law (7018)

Building and Construction Studies 4 (8790)

Evidence Law (7030)

Industry Based Learning 3 (8789)

Year 5

Semester 1

Information Systems in Organisations (6348)

Litigation and Dispute Processing (7047)

Two Law Electives

Semester 2

Lawyers and Professional Responsibility (7043)

MJ0083 Restricted Choice Unit

7019 Advanced Legal Research and Writing OR 8358 Advanced Legal Research and Writing (Honours)

Two Law Electives

Year 6

Semester 1

Course information

Course duration

Standard eleven semesters full-time or equivalent. Maximum twenty-four semesters.

Learning outcomes

Learning outcomes	Related graduate attributes
6. Students will also undertake an in depth study of selected areas of law, including the Priestly 11 units, and in chosen law electives, with an emphasis on commercial law and/or justice studies.	Communication, Analysis and inquiry, problem solving, working independently and with others, professionalism
1. The acquisition of management and supervision techniques specific to the building industry;	---
7. In addition to the above, students graduating with Honours will have developed the ability to independently identify and provide solutions to complex legal problems.	Communication, Analysis and inquiry, problem solving, working independently and with others, professionalism
2. A detailed understanding of building processes and materials;	---
4. The development of advocacy abilities and legal skills while understanding their connections to the theory and history of law, with an emphasis on respect for social and ethical responsibilities.	---
3. The acquisition and development of negotiation, presentation and communication skills;	---
5. Graduates will have a broad and coherent theoretical and technical knowledge of the discipline of law, suitable for entering the legal profession or undertaking other careers	Communication, Analysis and inquiry,

involving legal work. The course will provide students with a program of study and learning to satisfy the academic requirements for admission to legal practice.

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Majors

- [Major in Law Foundation \(MJ0082\)](#)
- [Major in Building and Construction Management \(MJ0134\)](#)
- [Major in Legal Practice \(Restricted\) \(MJ0083\)](#)

Awards

Award	Official abbreviation
Bachelor of Laws	LLB
Bachelor of Building and Construction Management	B Bldg&ConstrMgt

Honours

The degree of Bachelor of Laws may be awarded with first or second class honours. Requirements are specified in the Determination of Course Particulars for the Bachelor of Laws.

(i) To be eligible to undertake studies at honours level, a student must achieve at least a credit average in all law units undertaken at the University of Canberra, this being determined by averaging their scores in all eligible subjects.

Eligible Units: Eligible Units are those which count towards the Entry GPA and Honours GPA. Eligible Units are:

- Any Law unit done which counts towards your LLB (i.e., not the subjects going only towards the non-law degree if you are enrolled in a double degree. If you are enrolled in a straight LLB, your open electives are not counted).
- This includes Units for which you receive Advanced Standing, whether done at UC or elsewhere.
- Where you have done extra subjects which may count, e.g. more than the required amount of law electives, your best results will be counted.

(ii) Law Honours has 12 credit points of research-related units. These are made up of:

- Legal Methods and Skills (3cp)
- Advanced Legal Research and Writing (Honours) (3cp)
- Law Honours (6cp)

(iii) The degree of Bachelor of Laws may be awarded with first or second class honours. Following submission of an Honours thesis as part of the unit Law Honours, students must show a Good performance by receiving a minimum of a Credit in the 6 credit point restricted

choice unit Law Honours.

Calculating the final class of honours:

Law degrees with Honours are awarded in the following classes depending on the Honours GPA obtained and the standard of the Honours Thesis.

First Class: Showing an exceptional performance by both an Honours GPA of at least 6 and a mark of 80 and above in the honours component of your assessment

Second Class - Division I: Showing a Very Good performance by both an Honours GPA of at least 5.5 and a mark of 73 and above in the honours component of your assessment

Second Class - Division II: Showing a Good performance by both an Honours GPA of at least 5 and a mark of 65 and above in the Honours component of your assessment

Calculating the Honours GPA

GPA's are calculated by using the University's system. The Unit Law Honours will be weighted as 30% for the purposes of calculating the Honours GPA. Units used in the Honours GPA are as described in 'Eligible units' above for entry to the Honours component of the course.

Note that marks are not automatically rounded up for purposes of Honours. Thus 4.99 does not become 5.00. Where your final mark is within two marks of the next level of honours, or of achieving honours at all (e.g. a 4.8 is rounded up to 5.0), you can apply in writing to have your honours result upgraded. This will be determined by the Law Program Manager and the Law Honours Unit Convener, taking into account your academic record and any mitigating circumstances which may have affected your academic performance.

High achieving students may also be eligible for enrolment in the Bachelor of Philosophy (Honours) course.

Enquiries

Student category	Contact details
Prospective Domestic Students	Email study@canberra.edu.au or Phone 1800 UNI CAN 1800 864 226
Prospective International Students	Email international@canberra.edu.au or Phone +61 2 6201 5342
Current and Commencing Students	In person Faculty of Business, Government and Law student support area (Building 11, Level B, Room 27 - Reception counter) or Email BGLCourseConveners@canberra.edu.au

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UC acknowledges the Ngunnawal people, traditional custodians of the lands where Bruce campus is situated. We wish to acknowledge and respect their continuing culture and the contribution they make to the life of Canberra and the region. We also acknowledge all other First Nations Peoples on whose lands we gather.