

Bachelor of Laws (794AA.5)

Please note these are the 2018 details for this course

Domestic students

Selection rank	75.9 Note: The selection rank is the minimum ATAR plus adjustment factors required for admission to the program in the previous year. This is an indicative guide only as ranks change each year depending on demand.
Delivery mode	On campus
Location	UC Canberra - Bruce Campus
Duration	4.0 years
Faculty	Faculty of Business, Government & Law
Discipline	Canberra Law School
UAC code	367003
English language requirements	<p>There are non-standard English language requirements for this course. To be eligible you must have an academic IELTS or equivalent of 6.5, with no band score below 6.0. For alternate/equivalent ways of meeting the English requirements for this course please view the English Proficiency Requirements document on the university website.</p> <p>View IELTS equivalences</p>

International students

Academic entry

requirements	<p>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 meet UC's academic entry requirements, visit our academic entry requirements page.</p> <p>View UC's academic entry requirements</p>
Delivery mode	On campus
Location	UC Canberra - Bruce Campus
Duration	4.0 years
Faculty	Faculty of Business, Government & Law
Discipline	Canberra Law School
CRICOS code	025566M
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About this course

Secure your future with a foundation in law

If you've always aspired to a career in legal practice then our Bachelor of Laws will get you there in minimum time. We are proud of our research-led educational methods and emphasis on practical legal problem-solving. We aspire to give you an education in law that takes into account the social and economic context surrounding it and graduate professionals with respect for social and ethical responsibilities. With small class sizes you will receive all the attention you need from our qualified and experienced staff.

Study a Bachelor of Laws at UC and you will:

- develop your advocacy abilities and legal skills while understanding their connections to the theory and history of law
- qualify for admission to practice law, with an emphasis on commercial law and/or justice studies
- explore the many different areas of the law including contract, criminology, taxation and trade law
- strengthen your communication skills by writing and presenting clearly and with purpose

- critically analyse documents using detailed and effective research techniques.

Work-integrated learning

You will be encouraged to apply your talents in the real world with opportunities to complete a law internship and international study through linkages with law firms, governments and overseas universities.

Career opportunities

A graduate of the Bachelor of Laws can work as a solicitor or barrister in a variety of roles in the public and private sector including:

- Justice
- Public sector jobs
- Human resources
- Social work.

Course specific information

Our degree has professional accreditation with the Supreme Court of the ACT and the State of New South Wales. The Bachelor of Laws allows you to tailor an individual program of study by selecting specific law elective subjects that you may be interested in specialising in.

Professional accreditation

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

Attainment of the published ATAR or its equivalent.

Assumed knowledge

None.

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 Laws (794AA) | 96 credit points

Required - Must pass 45 credit points as follows

[Expand All](#) | [Collapse All](#)

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 27 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

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

Building and Construction Law (7827) | 3 credit points – Level 2

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

Sentencing and Corrections (9803) | 3 credit points – Level 3

Law Honours (6cp) (9804) | 6 credit points – Level 4

Health and Biotechnology Law (9997) | 3 credit points – Level 3

Note:

- Honours: Eligible students will enrol in 9804 Law Honours (6cp) in place of two Law Electives in their last year.
- Unit Availability: In any semester and year only a selection of these units are available.

Open Electives - 24 credit points as follows

- Elective Options: Students are encouraged to broaden their study by taking units from Law or other disciplines.
- Unit Levels: In selecting electives students should note that no more than 30 credit points at Level 1 is permitted for the entire course.

Note:

- Must pass 24 credit points from anywhere in the University, as a major, a minor and/or as individual units.

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

Accelerated (3.5 Years), Semester 1 Commencing

Year 1

Semester 1

[Legal Methods and Skills \(6601\)](#)

Two Open Elective Units

[Legal Systems \(6602\)](#)

Semester 2

[Contract Law \(6594\)](#)

Two Open Elective Units

[Law of Obligations \(7042\)](#)

Winter Term

Two Open Elective Units

Year 2

Semester 1

[Corporations Law \(7024\)](#)

Two Law Electives

[Constitutional Law \(7022\)](#)

Semester 2

[Legal Theory \(7046\)](#)

[Property Law \(7050\)](#)

Two Law Electives

Winter Term

Open Elective Unit

Year 3

Semester 1

Two Law Electives OR 9804 Law Honours (6cp)

[Criminal Law and Procedure \(7025\)](#)

[Equity Law \(7029\)](#)

Semester 2

Law Elective

[Administrative Law \(7018\)](#)

[Evidence Law \(7030\)](#)

[Lawyers and Professional Responsibility \(7043\)](#)

Winter Term

Open Elective Unit

Year 4

Semester 1

Two Law Electives OR 9804 Law Honours (6cp)

[Litigation and Dispute Processing \(7047\)](#)

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

MJ0083 Restricted Choice Unit

Standard Full Time, Semester 1 Commencing

Year 1

Semester 1

[Legal Methods and Skills \(6601\)](#)

[Legal Systems \(6602\)](#)

Two Open Elective Units

Semester 2

[Contract Law \(6594\)](#)

Two Open Elective Units

[Law of Obligations \(7042\)](#)

Year 2

Semester 1

Two Open Elective Units

[Constitutional Law \(7022\)](#)

[Corporations Law \(7024\)](#)

Semester 2

[Legal Theory \(7046\)](#)

Two Open Elective Units

[Property Law \(7050\)](#)

Year 3

Semester 1

[Criminal Law and Procedure \(7025\)](#)

[Equity Law \(7029\)](#)

Two Law Electives

Semester 2

Two Law Electives

[Administrative Law \(7018\)](#)

[Evidence Law \(7030\)](#)

Year 4

Semester 1

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

MJ0083 Restricted Choice Unit

Two Law Electives OR 9804 Law Honours (6cp)

[Litigation and Dispute Processing \(7047\)](#)

Semester 2

[Lawyers and Professional Responsibility \(7043\)](#)

Two Law Electives OR 9804 Law Honours (6cp)

Two Law Electives

Standard Full Time, Semester 2 Commencing

Year 1

Semester 2

[Legal Systems \(6602\)](#)

Two Open Elective Units

[Legal Methods and Skills \(6601\)](#)

Year 2

Semester 1

Four Open Elective Units

Semester 2

[Contract Law \(6594\)](#)

[Law of Obligations \(7042\)](#)

Two Open Elective Units

Year 3

Semester 1

Two Law Electives

[Constitutional Law \(7022\)](#)

[Corporations Law \(7024\)](#)

Semester 2

[Legal Theory \(7046\)](#)

[Property Law \(7050\)](#)

Two Law Electives

Year 4

Semester 1

Two Law Electives OR 9804 Law Honours (6cp)

[Criminal Law and Procedure \(7025\)](#)

[Equity Law \(7029\)](#)

Semester 2

[Administrative Law \(7018\)](#)

[Evidence Law \(7030\)](#)

[Lawyers and Professional Responsibility \(7043\)](#)

Law Elective

Year 5

Semester 1

[Litigation and Dispute Processing \(7047\)](#)

Two Law Electives OR 9804 Law Honours (6cp)

MJ0083 Restricted Choice Unit

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

Course information

Course duration

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

Learning outcomes

Learning outcomes	Related graduate attributes
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 involving legal work.	Communication, Analysis and inquiry, problem solving, working independently and with others, professionalism

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

Communication, Analysis and inquiry, problem solving, working independently and with others,

professionalism

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

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

Majors

- [Major in Legal Practice \(Restricted\) \(MJ0083\)](#)
- [Major in Law Foundation \(MJ0082\)](#)

Awards

Award	Official abbreviation
Bachelor of Laws	LLB

Honours

(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) 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 obtain at least a classification of Good Performance for a substantial piece of legal writing in the elective 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 Paper.

First Class: both an Honours GPA of at least 6 and an exceptional performance in the honours component of your assessment

Second Class - Division I: both an Honours GPA of at least 5.5 and a very good performance in the honours component of your assessment

Second Class - Division II: both an Honours GPA of at least 5 and a good performance 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.

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, Student Centre Building 1 (take a BGL Faculty course advice ticket) or Email bglstudent@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.