

Juris Doctor (SCM002.1)

Please note these are the 2024 details for this course

Domestic students

Selection rank	PG
Delivery mode	Online
Location	UC - Canberra, Online
Duration	3.0 years
Faculty	Faculty of Business, Government & Law
Discipline	Canberra Law School
UAC code	1
English language requirements	An IELTS Academic score of 6.5 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 meet UC's academic entry requirements, visit our academic entry requirements page.
View UC's academic entry requirements	

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About this course

The Juris Doctor is a three-year, Masters level law degree designed for those who have already completed a Bachelor's degree in another discipline. Delivered online, the Juris Doctor enables student flexibility in pursuing a law degree using the latest education technologies to keep you connected and engaged.

With an emphasis on practical legal problem-solving and problem prevention, the Juris Doctor will ground legal education in the broader social, historical and economic context and support students' development as socially responsible and ethical professionals. Featuring small class sizes and highly qualified and experienced staff, students will:

- Understand legal fundamentals
- Develop practical dispute resolution skills
- Learn about justice in disruptive industries
- Complete a research-based project and law internship
- Gain advanced advocacy skills
- Balance life and work with online study
- Experience support at every stage

The UC Juris Doctor meets the accreditation requirements of the ACT Legal Practitioners Admission Board, which will enable admission as a legal practitioner and mutual recognition throughout Australia.

Online, Supported, Accelerated

With end-to-end support from a dedicated Student Success Adviser, studying the online Juris Doctor gives you the flexibility to pursue a postgraduate law degree. Click through to download our course brochure to learn more about the Juris Doctor and online study.

[Enquire Now](#)

Professional accreditation

The Juris Doctor is accredited for admission to legal practice throughout Australia under the reciprocal recognition scheme.

Admission requirements

Applicants must have an undergraduate degree (or equivalent) in any non-law discipline, with a GPA of at least 5/7.

Assumed knowledge

None.

Periods course is open for new admissions

Year	Location	Teaching period	Teaching start date	Domestic	International
2025	UC - Canberra, Online	Study Block 1	20 January 2025	✓	✓
2025	UC - Canberra, Online	Study Block 2	17 March 2025	✓	✓
2025	UC - Canberra, Online	Study Block 3	12 May 2025	✓	✓
2025	UC - Canberra, Online	Study Block 4	07 July 2025	✓	✓
2025	UC - Canberra, Online	Study Block 5	01 September 2025	✓	✓
2025	UC - Canberra, Online	Study Block 6	27 October 2025	✓	✓
2026	UC - Canberra, Online	Study Block 1	19 January 2026	✓	✓

2026	UC - Canberra, Online	Study Block 2	16 March 2026	✓	✓
2026	UC - Canberra, Online	Study Block 3	11 May 2026	✓	✓
2026	UC - Canberra, Online	Study Block 4	06 July 2026	✓	✓
2026	UC - Canberra, Online	Study Block 5	31 August 2026	✓	✓
2026	UC - Canberra, Online	Study Block 6	26 October 2026	✓	✓
2027	UC - Canberra, Online	Study Block 1	18 January 2027	✓	✓
2027	UC - Canberra, Online	Study Block 2	15 March 2027	✓	✓
2027	UC - Canberra, Online	Study Block 3	10 May 2027	✓	✓
2027	UC - Canberra, Online	Study Block 4	05 July 2027	✓	✓
2027	UC - Canberra, Online	Study Block 5	30 August 2027	✓	✓
2027	UC - Canberra, Online	Study Block 6	25 October 2027	✓	✓

Credit arrangements

A credit transfer arrangement is available for this course for the following institutions:

University Of Canberra

[Graduate Diploma in Law \(33886\)](#)

[Graduate Diploma of Legal Studies \(29200\)](#)

Course requirements

Juris Doctor (SCM002) | 72 credit points

Required - Must pass 51 credit points as follows

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

[Dispute Management G \(11432\) | 3 credit points – Level G](#)

[Lawyers and Professional Responsibility G \(11433\) | 3 credit points – Level G](#)

[Contract Law G \(11434\) | 3 credit points – Level G](#)

Torts Law G (11435) | 3 credit points — Level G

Criminal Law and Procedure G (11436) | 3 credit points — Level G

Constitutional Law PG (11437) | 3 credit points — Level P

Corporations Law PG (11438) | 3 credit points — Level P

Property Law PG (11439) | 3 credit points — Level P

Legal Theory PG (11440) | 3 credit points — Level P

Administrative Law PG (11441) | 3 credit points — Level P

Evidence Law PG (11444) | 3 credit points — Level P

Legal Research and Writing Skills PG (11445) | 3 credit points — Level P

International Law PG (11460) | 3 credit points — Level P

Legal Methods and Skills G (11751) | 3 credit points — Level G

Legal Systems G (11752) | 3 credit points — Level G

Civil Procedure PG (11753) | 3 credit points — Level P

Equity and Trusts Law PG (11755) | 3 credit points — Level P

Restricted Choice - Must pass 21 credit points from the following

Workplace Law in Context PG (11425) | 3 credit points — Level P

Law Internship PG (11448) | 3 credit points — Level P

Intellectual Property Law PG (11459) | 3 credit points — Level P

Law Reform and Social Change PG (11470) | 3 credit points — Level P

Law, Innovation and Technologies PG (11471) | 3 credit points — Level P

Negotiation PG (11754) | 3 credit points — Level P

Legal Research Project A PG (11756) | 3 credit points — Level P

Legal Research Project B PG (11757) | 3 credit points — Level P

Human Rights Law PG (11758) | 3 credit points — Level P

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

Course information

Course duration

The standard duration for this course is three years (18 Study Blocks). The maximum duration is ten years.

Learning outcomes

Learning outcomes	Related graduate attributes
Demonstrate a broad and coherent theoretical and technical knowledge of the discipline of law to undertake professional legal roles other than those requiring admission to legal practice.	<p>UC graduates are professional: Employ up-to-date and relevant knowledge and skills; communicate effectively; use creativity, critical thinking, analysis and research skills to solve theoretical and real-world problems; work collaboratively as part of a team, negotiate, and resolve conflict; display initiative and drive, and use their organisational skills to plan and manage their workload; and take pride in their professional and personal integrity.</p> <p>UC graduates are global citizens: Think globally about issues in their profession; adopt an informed and balanced approach across professional and international boundaries; understand issues in their profession from the perspective of other cultures; communicate effectively in diverse cultural and social settings; make creative use of technology in their learning and professional lives; and behave ethically and sustainably in their professional and personal lives.</p> <p>UC graduates are lifelong learners: Reflect on their own practice, updating and adapting their knowledge and skills for continual professional and academic development; be self-aware; adapt to complexity, ambiguity and change by being flexible and keen to engage with new ideas; and evaluate and adopt new technology.</p> <p>UC graduates are able to demonstrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander ways of knowing, being and doing: Use local Indigenous histories and traditional ecological knowledge to develop and augment understanding of their discipline; communicate and engage with Indigenous Australians in ethical and culturally respectful ways; and apply their knowledge to working with Indigenous Australians in socially just ways.</p>
Integrate advanced legal research and apply critical analysis, professional strategic thinking and ethical decision-making to problem prevention and holistic dispute resolution.	<p>UC graduates are professional: Employ up-to-date and relevant knowledge and skills; communicate effectively; use creativity, critical thinking, analysis and research skills to solve theoretical and real-world problems; work collaboratively as part of a team, negotiate, and resolve conflict; display initiative and drive, and use their organisational skills to plan and manage their workload; and take pride in their professional and personal integrity.</p> <p>UC graduates are global citizens: Think globally about issues in their profession; adopt an informed and balanced approach across professional and international boundaries;</p>

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Reflect critically on historical and social contexts to work respectfully with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in socially just ways.

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Communicate complex legal knowledge, ideas and arguments, ethically and effectively, within and across professional, multi-modal and cultural boundaries.

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Awards

Award	Official abbreviation
Juris Doctor	JD

Alternative exits

Students who commenced from 2025 onwards may receive the following exit awards:

SCC003 Graduate Certificate in Law
SCG003 Graduate Diploma in Law

Students who commenced prior to 2025 are eligible for the following exit awards:

SCC003 Graduate Certificate in Law

SCG003 Graduate Diploma in Law

OR

SCG002 Graduate Diploma in Legal Studies

SCC001 Graduate Certificate in Legal Studies - consisting of:

- 11751 Legal Methods and Skills G
- 11752 Legal Systems; AND
- Any other two 3 credit point units from the Juris Doctor (SCM002).

Enquiries

Student category	Contact details
Prospective Students	Email: study@canberra.edu.au or Phone: 1800 UNI CAN (1800 864 226)
Current and Commencing Students	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.