

BACHELOR OF LAWS (GRADUATE ENTRY) (HONOURS) (2828)

Approved Abbreviation: LLB(Hons)

Western Sydney University Program Code: 2828

AQF Level: 8

CRICOS code: 108412E

This program applies to students who commenced in 2022 or later.

The Bachelor of Laws (Honours) program is designed for high achieving law students who wish to undertake an extended level of study and research. An honours degree indicates academic excellence in a professional context and, as an Australian Qualifications Framework Level 8 (<https://www.aqf.edu.au/aqf-levels/>) qualification, students may also have direct entry into postgraduate programs including Masters and Doctor of Philosophy programs.

There is no direct entry into the Honours program. Entry is by application only following completion of at least 160 credit points of Law study and by meeting specified criteria (see Admission details).

As an embedded honours program, students are not required to undertake an additional period of study. Further details regarding the honours program and its requirements are available at: Honours in Law (<https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/schools/sol/honours/>) and School of Law Honours Guidelines (<https://policies.westernsydney.edu.au/download.php?associated=1&id=498&version=4>).

The Bachelor of Laws (Honours) program satisfies the academic degree requirements for admission to practice as an Australian lawyer. Students will engage in collaborative face-to-face problem and case-based learning, will be supported by online learning materials, and will participate in authentic assessment to develop knowledge and skills. The program provides students with a broad progressive legal education with a strong practical orientation to the law. Students develop skills in problem-solving, critical thinking, research, communication, collaboration, self-management, and ethical and professional awareness and judgement. Students will have the opportunity to develop skills in legal advocacy, negotiation, and legal technology and extend their professional and learning experiences through work integrated learning, clinical placement and international exchange engagements.

Study Mode

Three years full-time or six years part-time.

Program Advice

Dr Patrick Foong (<https://directory.westernsydney.edu.au/search/email/courseadvicelaw@westernsydney.edu.au>)

Prospective students should visit the following websites for general enquiries about this program.

Enquire about this program (<https://enquiry.westernsydney.edu.au/courseenquiry/>) | Local Admission (<https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/future/>) | International Admission (<https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/international/home/apply/admissions/>) |

Location

| Campus | Attendance | Mode | Advice |
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| Campbelltown | Full Time | Internal | See above |
| Campbelltown | Part Time | Internal | See above |

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| Parramatta Campus - Victoria Road | Full Time | Internal | See above |
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| Parramatta Campus - Victoria Road | Part Time | Internal | See above |
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Accreditation

Graduates from the Bachelor of Laws (Honours) program are eligible to apply to the Legal Profession Admission Board for admission to legal practice in NSW after undertaking prescribed practical legal training.

Inherent Requirements

There are inherent requirements for this program that you must meet in order to complete your program and graduate. Make sure you read and understand the requirements for this program online.

Inherent requirements (http://www.westernsydney.edu.au/ir/inherent_requirements/inherent_requirements_for_law_courses/)

Work Integrated Learning

Western Sydney University seeks to enhance student learning experiences by enabling students to engage in the culture, expectations and practices of their profession or discipline. This program includes a placement or other community-based unpaid practical experience.

There is an optional work component available in this program. Please contact the Program Advisor listed above for information.

International students should be aware that if an elective is a requirement of the program but the work itself was not registered with CRICOS, students can still complete these electives but it would be counted towards the work limitation. For more details, refer to the 'Work Integrated Learning (WIL) for international students' website.

Work Integrated Learning (WIL) for international students (https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/currentstudents/current_students/services_and_facilities/international_student_support/working_in_australia/work_integrated_learning/)

Admission

This program is designed for students in the Bachelor of Laws (Graduate entry) program who wish to undertake an Honours program.

Students must meet the following criteria for admission:

Completion of at least 160 credit points of law study (or 140 credit points if two Summer subjects are undertaken);

AND

Demonstration of the likelihood of graduating with an Honours Weighted Average Mark (HWAM) of at least 70 at the time of graduation (see <https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/schools/sol/honours> (<https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/schools/sol/honours/>) for details);

OR

Demonstration of an Admission Average Mark (AAM) of at least 70 at the time of admission to the Honours program (see <https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/schools/sol/honours> (<https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/schools/sol/honours/>) for details);

AND

Submission of a Nomination of Topics form which expresses preferences among supervisor-defined topics and/or describes a student-defined topic in a scholarly manner (see https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/schools/sol/honours/nomination_of_topics/)

www.westernsydney.edu.au/_data/assets/word_doc/0008/1784474/Honours_topic_nomination_form_2020.docx for details);

AND

Demonstration of satisfactory academic writing skills;

AND

Availability of a principal supervisor.

Special Requirements

Students enrolling in these subjects may need to have a National Police Certificate and consent or prohibited employment declarations as they may be conducting their placement in circumstances where they work with minors. This would be managed on an as needs basis:

- LAWS 3077 Legal Internship
- LAWS 4012 First Nations Peoples' Access to Justice Clinic
- LAWS 3080 Street Law Clinic
- JUST 3011 Issues in the Criminal Justice System (corrective services field trip requirement) also records and identity check.

The following units require a visa for the relevant country and the ability to travel at a specified time:

- LAWS 3024 Foundations of Chinese Law
- LAWS 3025 Foundations of Indian Law
- LAWS 3078 Legal, Economic and Social Transformation in Taiwan

Program Structure

Qualification for this award requires the successful completion of 240 credit points of subjects. This comprises:

- 160 credit points of specified core subjects to meet Priestly 11 accreditation requirements;
- 10 credit points Research Training Component (LAWS 4016 (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2021-2022/search/?P=LAWS%204016>) Legal Research and Methodology)
- 20 credit points Research Component (LAWS 4011 (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2021-2022/search/?P=LAWS%204011>) Law Honours Dissertation)
- 50 credit points of LLB alternate subjects.

Recommended Sequence

Qualification for this award requires the successful completion of 240 credit points as per the recommended sequence below.

NOTE: Students should consult the Academic Program Advisor for advice on progression if required.

Full-time start year intake

| Course | Title | Credit Points |
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| Year 1 | | |
| Autumn session | | |
| LAWS 1003 | Fundamentals of Australian Law | 10 |
| LAWS 2004 | Criminal Law | 10 |
| LAWS 2003 | Contracts | 10 |
| LAWS 2015 | Professional Responsibility and Legal Ethics | 10 |
| Credit Points | | 40 |
| Spring session | | |
| LAWS 1009 | Legal Analysis and Critique | 10 |

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| LAWS 2013 | Torts Law | 10 |
| LAWS 2001 | Alternative Dispute Resolution | 10 |
| LAWS 2008 | Government and Public Law | 10 |
| Credit Points | | 40 |

Year 2

Autumn session

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| LAWS 3018 | Equity & Trusts | 10 |
| LAWS 3082 | Property Law | 10 |
| Select two LLB alternate subjects | | 20 |
| Credit Points | | 40 |

Spring session

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| LAWS 3081 | Administrative Law | 10 |
| LAWS 3045 | Law of Associations | 10 |
| Select two LLB alternate subjects | | 20 |
| Credit Points | | 40 |

Year 3

Autumn session

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| LAWS 4015 | Constitutional Law | 10 |
| LAWS 4004 | Criminal Procedure and Evidence | 10 |
| LAWS 4016 | Legal Research and Methodology | 10 |
| Select one LLB alternate subject | | 10 |
| Credit Points | | 40 |

Spring session

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| LAWS 4014 | Remedies | 10 |
| LAWS 4013 | Civil Procedure and Arbitration | 10 |
| LAWS 4011 | Law Honours Dissertation | 20 |
| Credit Points | | 40 |
| Total Credit Points | | 240 |

Part-time start year intake

| Course | Title | Credit Points |
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| Year 1 | | |
| Autumn session | | |
| LAWS 1003 | Fundamentals of Australian Law | 10 |
| LAWS 2004 | Criminal Law | 10 |
| Credit Points | | 20 |
| Spring session | | |
| LAWS 1009 | Legal Analysis and Critique | 10 |
| LAWS 2013 | Torts Law | 10 |
| Credit Points | | 20 |
| Year 2 | | |
| Autumn session | | |
| LAWS 2003 | Contracts | 10 |
| LAWS 2015 | Professional Responsibility and Legal Ethics | 10 |
| Credit Points | | 20 |
| Spring session | | |
| LAWS 2001 | Alternative Dispute Resolution | 10 |
| LAWS 2008 | Government and Public Law | 10 |
| Credit Points | | 20 |
| Year 3 | | |
| Autumn session | | |
| LAWS 3018 | Equity & Trusts | 10 |
| LAWS 3082 | Property Law | 10 |
| Credit Points | | 20 |

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| Spring session | | |
| LAWS 3081 | Administrative Law | 10 |
| LAWS 3045 | Law of Associations | 10 |
| Credit Points | | 20 |
| Year 4 | | |
| Autumn session | | |
| LAWS 4015 | Constitutional Law | 10 |
| LAWS 4004 | Criminal Procedure and Evidence | 10 |
| Credit Points | | 20 |
| Spring session | | |
| LAWS 4013 | Civil Procedure and Arbitration | 10 |
| LAWS 4014 | Remedies | 10 |
| Credit Points | | 20 |
| Year 5 | | |
| Autumn session | | |
| Select two LLB alternate subjects | | 20 |
| Credit Points | | 20 |
| Spring session | | |
| Select two LLB Alternate subjects | | 20 |
| Credit Points | | 20 |
| Year 6 | | |
| Autumn session | | |
| Select two LLB alternate subjects | | 20 |
| Credit Points | | 20 |
| Spring session | | |
| Select two LLB Alternate subjects | | 20 |
| Credit Points | | 20 |
| Total Credit Points | | 240 |

LLB Alternate Subjects

Students must complete 50 credit points of subjects from the list of Bachelor of Laws alternate subjects.

| Subject | Title | Credit Points |
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| LAWS 4017 | Access to Justice Clinic | 10 |
| LAWS 3001 | Advanced Family Law | 10 |
| LAWS 4003 | Advanced Taxation Law | 10 |
| LAWS 3002 | Advanced Torts and Civil Wrongs | 10 |
| LAWS 3003 | Advocacy | 10 |
| LAWS 3004 | Anti-Discrimination Law | 10 |
| LAWS 3005 | Australian Competition Law | 10 |
| LAWS 3006 | Australian Consumer Law | 10 |
| LAWS 3007 | Banking and Securities Law | 10 |
| LAWS 2014 | Bioethics | 10 |
| LAWS 3011 | Comparative Law: Legal Systems of the World | 10 |
| LAWS 3013 | Conflict of Laws | 10 |
| LAWS 3014 | Corporate Governance | 10 |
| LAWS 3015 | Cyber Law and Justice | 10 |
| LAWS 4010 | Designing Law Apps for Access to Justice | 10 |
| LAWS 3016 | Elder Law | 10 |
| LAWS 3022 | Family Dispute Resolution | 10 |
| LAWS 3023 | Family Law | 10 |
| LAWS 2005 | Financial Services Law | 10 |
| LAWS 2007 | First Peoples and the Australian Legal System | 10 |
| LAWS 4012 | First Nations Peoples' Access to Justice Clinic | 10 |
| LAWS 3024 | Foundations of Chinese Law | 10 |

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| LAWS 3025 | Foundations of Indian Law | 10 |
| LAWS 3083 | Gender and the Law | 10 |
| LAWS 3028 | Human Rights and the Asia Pacific | 10 |
| LAWS 3027 | Human Rights Law | 10 |
| LAWS 3029 | Immigration and Refugee Law | 10 |
| JUST 3008 | Independent Study (Law) | 10 |
| LAWS 3030 | Information and Data Governance Law and Regulation | 10 |
| LAWS 3031 | Insolvency Law and Policy | 10 |
| LAWS 3032 | Intellectual Property | 10 |
| LAWS 3033 | International Business Transactions Law | 10 |
| LAWS 4006 | International Climate Law | 10 |
| LAWS 3034 | International Criminal Law | 10 |
| LAWS 4007 | International Environmental Law | 10 |
| LAWS 3036 | International Trade Law | 10 |
| LAWS 3039 | Islam, International Law and Human Rights | 10 |
| JUST 3011 | Issues in the Criminal Justice System | 10 |
| LAWS 3074 | Judicial Internship | 10 |
| LAWS 3042 | Jurisprudence | 10 |
| LAWS 3084 | Law and Literature | 10 |
| LAWS 3079 | Law, Economics, Ethics and Change | 10 |
| LAWS 3044 | Law and Public Policy (Development and Implementation) | 10 |
| LAWS 3046 | Law of Employment | 10 |
| LAWS 3047 | Law of International Organisations | 10 |
| LAWS 3048 | Law of the Sea | 10 |
| LAWS 3075 | Law's Self-Understanding | 10 |
| LAWS 3078 | Legal, Economic and Social Transformation in Taiwan | 10 |
| LAWS 3077 | Legal Internship | 10 |
| LAWS 4016 | Legal Research and Methodology | 10 |
| LAWS 3049 | Media Law | 10 |
| JUST 2013 | Mediation | 10 |
| LAWS 3050 | Medical Law | 10 |
| LAWS 3052 | Mental Health Law | 10 |
| LAWS 3053 | Moot Court | 10 |
| LAWS 3055 | Planning and Environment Law | 10 |
| LAWS 3056 | Practising in the Public Interest | 10 |
| LAWS 3061 | Public Health Law | 10 |
| LAWS 3063 | Public International Law | 10 |
| LAWS 4008 | Revenue Law | 10 |
| LAWS 3067 | Self-Managed Superannuation and Trusts | 10 |
| LAWS 3068 | Space Law - Commercial Aspects | 10 |
| LAWS 3080 | Street Law Clinic | 10 |
| LAWS 3076 | Technology, Innovation and the Law | 10 |
| LAWS 3071 | Wills and Succession | 10 |
| LAWS 3072 | Work Health and Safety Law | 10 |

Please note that the availability of Bachelor of Laws Alternate subjects may vary from year to year. New subjects may become available and some others discontinued. The School will publish information on which subjects are available in a session.

Equivalent Subjects

The subjects listed below count towards completion of the program for students who may have passed subjects in the list in 2022 or earlier.

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JUST 4001 Clinical Legal Placement, replaced by LAWS 4017 Access to Justice Clinic