



THE UNIVERSITY OF  
**NOTRE DAME**  
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# **PROGRAM REGULATIONS**

## **SCHOOL OF LAW**

**BACHELOR OF LAWS/BACHELOR OF COMMUNICATIONS  
AND MEDIA**  
LLB/BComnMed

**BACHELOR OF LAWS (HONOURS)/BACHELOR OF  
COMMUNICATIONS AND MEDIA**  
LLB(Hons)/BComnMed

**PROGRAM CODES: 3518 & 3519**

THESE PROGRAM REGULATIONS ARE EFFECTIVE FROM 1.1.2018

**SCHOOL OF LAW**

- 1. These Program Regulations apply to all students who are enrolled in these Awards on the Fremantle and Sydney Campuses.
- 2. The Dean is the responsible Executive of these Program Regulations.
- 3. The contact officer for this document is the Associate Dean, School of Law, Sydney Campus.

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# 1 INTRODUCTION AND INTERPRETATION

## 1.1 Introduction

These Program Regulations apply to all students enrolled in the Bachelor of Laws/Bachelor of Communications and Media Award and the Bachelor of Laws (Honours)/Bachelor of Communications and Media Award, at The University of Notre Dame Australia.

These Regulations should be read in conjunction with the University's General Regulations and the School of Law and the School of Arts and Sciences Regulations.

## 1.2 Interpretation

The terms included in these Regulations have the meanings as defined in the University's General Regulations and the School of Law and the School of Arts and Sciences Regulations.

## 1.3 Amendments made to Program Regulations

Unless otherwise specified, when amendments are made to the structure, content or academic requirements of these Awards, the amendments will automatically apply in accordance with General Regulation Section 1.7.

## 1.4 Applicability to Campuses of the University

These Awards are available on the Fremantle and Sydney Campuses.

## 1.5 The Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF)

The Bachelor of Laws Award is a Level 7 AQF qualification.

The Bachelor of Communications and Media Award is a Level 7 AQF qualification.

The Bachelor of Laws (Honours) Award is a Level 8 AQF qualification.

## 2 ENTRY CRITERIA

### 2.1 General Criteria

The standard entry requirements for admission into these Awards are detailed in the University's General Regulations and the School of Law and School of Arts and Sciences Regulations.

### 2.2 Additional Entry Requirements / Pre-Requisites

There are no additional entry requirements or pre-requisites for these Awards.

### 2.3 External Accreditation Requirements

External accreditation requirements are applicable to the Bachelor of Laws component of these Awards.

The accreditation requirements are according to the *Uniform Admission Rules* administered by the Legal Practitioners Admissions Board in New South Wales and the Legal Practice Board in Western Australia.

## 3 AWARD REQUIREMENTS

### 3.1 Structure

- (i) For the Bachelor of Laws/Bachelor of Communications and Media Award Structure, refer to Appendix A.
- (ii) For the Bachelor of Laws (Honours)/Bachelor of Communications and Media Award Structure, refer to Appendix B.

Unless a student receives the prior approval of the Dean (or delegate) to alter the order of study, students are required to enrol in and pass all of the courses in each academic year of study as detailed in the relevant program structure before they will be permitted to enrol in courses outlined in the subsequent academic year of study.

#### 3.1.1 Compulsory Courses

- (i) Compulsory courses for these Awards are listed in the program structure in Appendices A - B.
- (ii) As at the commencement of the 2017 academic year, students who have completed:
  - LW341 Constitutional Law A but not LW342 Constitutional Law B must complete LW342 Constitutional Law B;
  - LW331 Administrative Law A but not LW332 Administrative Law B must complete LW332 Administrative Law B;
  - LW323 Evidence A but not LW324 Evidence B must complete LW324 Evidence B; and
  - LW463 Civil Procedure A but not LW464 Civil Procedure B must complete LW464 Civil Procedure B.
- (iii) For the Bachelor of Laws (Honours)/Bachelor of Communications and Media Award students must enrol in LAWS4410 Advanced Research Project A and LAWS4411 Advanced Research Project B in their final year of academic study.
- (iv) Students enrolled in these Awards are required to take two (2) compulsory Communications and Media courses as outlined in the Appendices.

#### 3.1.2 Elective Courses

There are Elective course(s) within these Awards.

- (i) Students enrolled in the Bachelor of Laws/Bachelor of Communications and Media Award are required to complete four (4) Law elective courses in addition to the compulsory Law courses. Elective courses may be selected from an approved list of course offerings published by the School of Law on an annual basis.
- (ii) Students enrolled in the Bachelor of Laws (Honours)/Bachelor of Communications and Media Award are required to complete two (2) Law elective courses in addition to the compulsory Law courses. Elective courses may be selected from an approved list of course offerings published by the School of Law on an annual basis.
- (iii) Students must complete at least one (1) international law elective chosen from LAWS4200 Public International Law, LAWS4030 Private International Law or LAWS4020 Comparative Law.
- (iv) Students enrolled in these Awards are required to take ten (10) elective Communications and Media courses. Elective courses may be selected from an approved list of course offerings published on the School of Arts and Sciences webpage.

#### 3.1.3 Majors and Double Majors

There are no Majors or Double Majors available in the Bachelor of Laws component of these Awards.

There are Majors available in the Bachelor of Communications and Media component of these Awards. Students must complete one of the following Majors, comprising of eight courses drawn from a student's twelve (12) required Communications and Media courses:

- (i) Journalism; or
- (ii) Film and Screen Production; or

(iii) Advertising; or

A list of the required and elective courses in these Majors is published on the School of Arts and Sciences webpage.

### **3.1.4 Minors**

There are no Minors available in these Awards.

### **3.1.5 Specialisations**

There are no Specialisations permitted in these Awards.

### **3.1.6 Special Interest Courses**

There are no Special Interest Courses in the Bachelor of Laws Component of these Awards.

There are Special Interest Courses in the Bachelor of Communications and Media Component of these Awards. A maximum of seventy five (75) units of credit from the following 'special interest courses' may be accrued towards these Awards (unless otherwise approved by the Dean), including up to fifty (50) units of credit (or two (2) courses) towards a Major in which the courses are approved and twenty five (25) units of credit towards a Minor in which the courses are approved.

- (i) ARTS3010 Experience the World I
- (ii) ARTS3020 Experience the World II
- (iii) ARTS3030 Experience the World Study Tour
- (iv) ARTS3800 Special Project
- (v) ARTS3810 Special Project

Not all of these courses are available on each campus. Contact the School of Arts and Sciences on your campus for information.

## **3.2 Special Award Requirements**

There are no special award requirements in these Awards.

## **3.3 Practicum or Internship requirements**

Whilst Practicums or Internships are not compulsory in these Awards, students are encouraged to take COMM3008 Communications and Media Internship course.

## **3.4 Approved course substitutions**

Law course substitutions, where permitted, must be approved by the Dean of Law.

Communications & Media course substitutions, where permitted, must be approved by the Dean of Arts and Sciences.

## **3.5 Alternative Pathways**

An Alternative pathway is not available for these Awards.

## **3.6 Volume of Learning**

### **3.6.1 Standard Duration**

- (i) The Volume of Learning for the Bachelor of Laws/Bachelor of Communications and Media Award and the Bachelor of Laws (Honours)/Bachelor of Communications and Media Award is equivalent to approximately 5.25 years of equivalent full time study.
- (ii) A student is able to enrol in these Awards on a part-time basis.

### **3.6.2 Accelerated Duration**

An accelerated mode is available for these Awards as outlined in the Appendices of these Regulations.

### **3.6.3 Maximum Duration**

The maximum period of time within which a student is permitted to complete these Awards is detailed in the University's General Regulations.

### **3.7 Graduation**

Where a student has satisfied all the requirements of these Awards as detailed in these Program Regulations and the General Regulations, the University may grant the student graduation status.

### **3.8 Exit Awards**

An Exit Award pathway is not available for these Awards.

### **3.9 Honours**

The Bachelor of Laws component of this Double Degree Award is offered with Honours. Specific admission requirements for the Honours degree are detailed in the School of Law Regulations and are to be read in conjunction with the Policy: The Award of a degree with Honours. Details about Honours in the Bachelor of Communications and Media are provided in the Bachelor of Communications and Media (Honours) Award Regulations (3495).

## **END OF REGULATIONS**





**APPENDIX A: Accelerated Mode Program Structure for Bachelor of Laws/Bachelor of Communications and Media**

YEAR ONE						
Semester One			Semester Two			
Course Number	Course Title	Units of Credit	Course Number	Course Title	Units of Credit	
LAWS1000	Legal Research & Writing	25	LAWS1020	Legal History	25	
LAWS1010	Legal Process & Statutory Interpretation	25	CORE1010	Introduction to Philosophy	25	
COMM3050	Media Ethics and Law	25	CORE1001	(Fremantle) / Logos I (Sydney)	25	
COMMXXXX	Communications and Media course	25	COMM1060	Media and Society	25	
			COMMXXXX	Communications and Media course	25	
<b>Units of Credit Total for Y1 S1</b>		<b>100</b>	<b>Units of Credit Total for Y1 S2</b>		<b>100</b>	
					<b>Total Units of Credit Year One</b>	<b>200</b>

YEAR TWO						
Semester One			Semester Two			
Course Number	Course Title	Units of Credit	Course Number	Course Title	Units of Credit	
LAWS2510	Criminal Law A	25	LAWS2520	Criminal Law B	25	
LAWS2210	Contract Law A	25	LAWS2120	Contract Law B	25	
LAWS2210	Torts A	25	LAWS2220	Torts B	25	
COMMXXXX	Communications and Media course (Fremantle)	(25)	COMMXXXX	Communications and Media course (Sydney)	(25)	
COMMXXXX	Communications and Media course	25	COMMXXXX	Communications and Media course	25	
		(125)			(125)	
<b>Units of Credit Total for Y2 S1</b>		<b>100</b>	<b>Units of Credit Total for Y2 S2</b>		<b>100</b>	
					<b>Total Units of Credit Year Two</b>	<b>225</b>

YEAR THREE						
Semester One			Semester Two			
Course Number	Course Title	Units of Credit	Course Number	Course Title	Units of Credit	
LAWS1040	Ethics and the Law (Fremantle) /	25	CORE1030	Introduction to Theology	25	
CORE1002	Logos II (Sydney)		CORE1003	(Fremantle) / Logos III (Sydney)		
LAWS2410	Property Law A	25	LAWS2420	Property Law B	25	
COMMXXXX	Communications & Media course	25	COMMXXXX	Communications & Media elective	25	
COMMXXXX	Communications & Media course	25	COMMXXXX	Communications & Media course	25	
			COMMXXXX	Communications & Media course	25	
<b>Units of Credit Total for Y3 S1</b>		<b>100</b>	<b>Units of Credit Total for Y3 S2</b>		<b>125</b>	
					<b>Total Units of Credit Year Three</b>	<b>225</b>

YEAR FOUR					
Semester One			Semester Two		
Course Number	Course Title	Units of Credit	Course Number	Course Title	Units of Credit
LAWS3600	Advocacy	25	LAWS3001	Evidence	25
LAWS3003	Constitutional Law	25	LAWS3002	Administrative Law	25
LAWS2310	Equity	25	LAWS2320	Trusts	25
LAWS3210	Corporations & Partnerships	25		Law Elective One	25
<b>Units of Credit Total for Y4 S1</b>		<b>100</b>	<b>Units of Credit Total for Y4 S2</b>		<b>100</b>
<b>Total Units of Credit Year Four</b>					<b>200</b>

YEAR FIVE					
Semester One			Semester Two		
Course Number	Course Title	Units of Credit	Course Number	Course Title	Units of Credit
LAWS4050	Remedies	25	LAWS3500	Legal Philosophy	25
LAWS4001	Civil Procedure	25	LAWS4620	Alternative Dispute Resolution	25
LAWS4200	Public International Law/ Comparative Law/ Private	25	LAWS4710	Commercial Practice & Ethics	25
LAWS4020	International Law (Elective Two)			Law Elective Four	25
LAWS4030	Law Elective Three	25	<b>Units of Credit Total for Y5 S2</b>		<b>100</b>
<b>Units of Credit Total for Y5 S1</b>		<b>100</b>	<b>Total Units of Credit Year Five</b>		<b>200</b>
<b>TOTAL PROGRAM UNITS OF CREDIT:</b>					<b>1050</b>



**APPENDIX B: Accelerated Mode Program Structure for Bachelor of Laws (Honours)/Bachelor of Communications and Media**

YEAR ONE						
Semester One			Semester Two			
Course Number	Course Title	Units of Credit	Course Number	Course Title	Units of Credit	
LAWS1000	Legal Research & Writing	25	LAWS1020	Legal History	25	
LAWS1010	Legal Process & Statutory Interpretation	25	CORE1010 CORE1001	Introduction to Philosophy (Fremantle) / Logos I (Sydney)	25	
COMM3050	Media Ethics and Law	25	COMM1060	Media and Society	25	
COMMXXXX	Communications and Media course	25	COMMXXXX	Communications and Media course	25	
<b>Units of Credit Total for Y1 S1</b>		<b>100</b>	<b>Units of Credit Total for Y1 S2</b>		<b>100</b>	
					<b>Total Units of Credit Year One</b>	<b>200</b>

YEAR TWO						
Semester One			Semester Two			
Course Number	Course Title	Units of Credit	Course Number	Course Title	Units of Credit	
LAWS2519	Criminal Law A	25	LAWS2520	Criminal Law B	25	
LAWS2110	Contract Law A	25	LAWS2120	Contract Law B	25	
LAWS2210	Torts A	25	LAWS2220	Torts B	25	
COMMXXXX	Communications and Media course (Fremantle)	(25)	COMMXXXX	Communications and Media course (Sydney)	25	
COMMXXXX	Communications and Media course	25	COMMXXXX	Communications and Media course	25	
<b>Units of Credit Total for Y2 S1</b>		<b>(125)</b>	<b>Units of Credit Total for Y2 S2</b>		<b>(125)</b>	
					<b>Total Units of Credit Year Two</b>	<b>225</b>

YEAR THREE						
Semester One			Semester Two			
Course Number	Course Title	Units of Credit	Course Number	Course Title	Units of Credit	
LAWS1040 CORE1002	Ethics and the Law (Fremantle) / Logos II (Sydney)	25	CORE1030 CORE1003	Introduction to Theology (Fremantle) / Logos III (Sydney)	25	
LAWS2410	Property Law A	25	LAWS2420	Property Law B	25	
COMMXXXX	Communications & Media course	25	COMMXXXX	Communications & Media elective	25	
COMMXXXX	Communications & Media course	25	COMMXXXX	Communications & Media course	25	
<b>Units of Credit Total for Y3 S1</b>		<b>100</b>	<b>Units of Credit Total for Y3 S2</b>		<b>125</b>	
					<b>Total Units of Credit Year Three</b>	<b>225</b>

YEAR FOUR					
Semester One			Semester Two		
Course Number	Course Title	Units of Credit	Course Number	Course Title	Units of Credit
LAWS3600	Advocacy	25	LAWS3001	Evidence	25
LAWS3003	Constitutional Law	25	LAWS3002	Administrative Law	25
LAWS2310	Equity	25	LAWS2320	Trusts	25
LAWS3210	Corporations & Partnerships	25		Law Elective One	25
<b>Units of Credit Total for Y4 S1</b>		<b>100</b>	<b>Units of Credit Total for Y4 S2</b>		<b>100</b>
<b>Total Units of Credit Year Four</b>					<b>200</b>

YEAR FIVE						
Semester One			Semester Two			
Course Number	Course Title	Units of Credit	Course Number	Course Title	Units of Credit	
LAWS4050	Remedies	25	LAWS3500	Legal Philosophy	25	
LAWS4001	Civil Procedure	25	LAWS4620	Alternative Dispute Resolution	25	
LAWS4200	Public International Law/ Comparative Law/ Private	25	LAWS4710	Commercial Practice & Ethics	25	
LAWS4030	International Law (Elective Two)		LAWS4411	Advanced Research Project B	25	
LAWS4410	Advanced Research Project A	25	<b>Units of Credit Total for Y5 S2</b>		<b>100</b>	
<b>Units of Credit Total for Y5 S1</b>		<b>100</b>	<b>Total Units of Credit Year Five</b>			<b>200</b>
<b>TOTAL PROGRAM UNITS OF CREDIT:</b>					<b>1050</b>	

## LAW ELECTIVE COURSES

The following is a list of law elective courses that may be run over the duration of a student's enrolment in the Law program. Some electives are by invitation only. When elective offerings are confirmed for the following year, a list is provided to students.

Further information can be obtained from the School of Law Reception.

LAWS2300	Contemporary Legal Issues	LAWS3800	Law Review A
LAWS3000	Health Law	LAWS3801	Law Review B
LAWS3004	Contemporary Issues in Administrative Law	LAWS4220	International Law Moot
LAWS3005	Advanced Evidence	LAWS4410	Advanced Research Project A (Honours A)
LAWS3006	Advanced Constitutional Law	LAWS4411	Advanced Research Project B (Honours B)
LAWS3007	Advanced Civil Procedure	LAWS3330	Construction and Building Contract Law
LAWS3008	Media Law	LAWS3360	Entertainment Law
LAWS3020	Mining and Petroleum Law	LAWS3382	Mental Health Law
LAWS3030	Competition and Consumer Law	LAWS3390	Introduction to Canon Law
LAWS3040	Employment Law	LAWS3430	Commercial Drafting
LAWS3050	Family Law	LAWS3440	Law and Religion
LAWS3070	Intellectual Property Law	LAWS3450	Law of Corporate Finance
LAWS3090	Human Rights Law	LAWS3470	Introduction to Australian Income Tax Law
LAWS3110	Indigenous Law	LAWS3480	Advanced Taxation Law
LAWS3120	Insolvency	LAWS3490	Insurance Law
LAWS3130	Succession	LAWS3510	Law and War
LAWS3150	Bioethics and the Law	LAWS3520	Special Topics in Law I
LAWS3170	The Law of Lender Liability	LAWS3521	Special Topics in Law II
LAWS3180	Trial Advocacy	LAWS3730	Law in Context (Externships)
LAWS3250	Work Health and Safety Law	LAWS3740	Law in Context (International)
LAWS3260	Environmental Law	LAWS3950	Commercial Law
LAWS3280	International Commercial Dispute Resolution	LAWS4420	Directed Research Project