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# Bachelor of Laws (LLBP) - LLB

QTAC code (Australian and New Zealand applicants): Toowoomba campus: 904111; Distance education: 904115; Springfield campus: 924111

CRICOS code (International applicants): 081714F

	<b>On-campus</b>	Distance education
Semester intake:	Semester 1 (February) Semester 2 (July)	Semester 1 (February) Semester 2 (July)
Campus:	Springfield, Toowoomba	-
Fees:	Commonwealth supported place Domestic full fee paying place International full fee paying place	Commonwealth supported place Domestic full fee paying place International full fee paying place
Standard duration:	3 years full-time, up to 6 years part-tim	e
Program articulation:	From: Bachelor of Arts Legal Studies N	Лајог

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## **Professional accreditation**

The Bachelor of Laws has been accredited by the Legal Practitioners Admissions Board, Queensland, and the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Queensland as an approved academic qualification under the *Supreme Court (Admission) Rules 2004* (Qld). This will partially satisfy the requirements to practise as a solicitor or barrister in Queensland, or as a legal practitioner elsewhere in Australia. Intending solicitors and barristers must also complete an approved practical legal training course in order to become admitted to practise law. USQ does not offer practical legal training, but advice on practical legal training programs can be obtained through Ask USQ.

## **Program aims**

The program aims to equip students with an academic qualification for professional practice. While students undertake the traditional studies in the litigation process, they also learn about the increasingly important alternative methods of resolving disputes. They learn about conflict and communication, negotiating, mediating–from a theoretical as well as practical perspective. Not all law graduates aspire to a career in legal practice and so the program also builds the special capabilities that a legal education can offer. It provides opportunities to develop analytical, complex problem-solving and research skills. It seeks to build critical thinkers with an appreciation for a range of theories explaining legal regulation as well as for the social, political and economic context of the legal process. To inform students on global issues, an international dimension, for example on the regulation of business and on the protection of human rights, is also available.

# **Program objectives**

On successful completion of this program students will be able to:

- demonstrate an understanding of a coherent body of knowledge that includes the fundamental areas of law, the Australian legal system, and underlying principles and concepts (including international and comparative contexts), the broader contexts within which legal issues arise, and the principles and values of justice and of ethical practice in lawyers' roles
- recognise ethical and justice related issues that are likely to arise in the legal professional context, an understanding of approaches to ethical decision making, and the developing ability to respond appropriately to ethical and justice related issues, and exercise professional judgment
- demonstrate how to identify and formulate legal issues, apply legal reasoning and research to generate appropriate responses to legal problems, engage in critical analysis and make a reasoned choice between alternatives, and think creatively in approaching and generating solutions to legal problems
- demonstrate the intellectual and practical skills needed to identify, research, evaluate and synthesise relevant factual, legal, and policy issues
- use appropriate means, including technology, to engage and communicate effectively and persuasively, both orally and in writing, with lawyers and non lawyers, and to collaborate effectively and constructively with others
- demonstrate the ability to learn and work independently; and reflect on and assess their own capabilities and performance, and seek and make use of feedback as appropriate, to determine personal and professional development needs and achievements.

# **Australian Qualifications Framework**

The Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) is a single national, comprehensive system of qualifications offered by higher education institutions (including universities), vocational education and training institutions and secondary schools. Each AQF qualification has a set of descriptors which define the type and complexity of knowledge, skills and application of knowledge and skills that a graduate who has been awarded that qualification has attained, and the typical volume of learning associated with that qualification type.

This program is at AQF Qualification Level 07. Graduates at this level will have broad and coherent knowledge and skills for professional work and/or further learning.

The full set of levels criteria and qualification type descriptors can be found by visiting www.aqf.edu.au.

# Admission requirements

- Year 12 English [4,SA] or equivalent.
- Admission to the Bachelor of Laws is in accordance with University's admissions policy for undergraduate programs.

Domestic and International Applicants from a non-English speaking background are required to satisfy English language requirements.

If you do not meet the English language requirements you may apply to study a University-approved English language program. On successful completion of the English language program, Applicants may be admitted to an Award Program.

# **Program fees**

#### Commonwealth supported place

A Commonwealth supported place is where the Australian Government makes a contribution towards the cost of your higher education and you as a student pay a student contribution amount, which varies depending on the courses undertaken. You are able to calculate the fees for a particular course via the Course Fee Finder. Commonwealth Supported students may be eligible to defer their fees through a Government loan called HECS-HELP.

#### Domestic full fee paying place

Domestic full fee paying places are funded entirely through the full fees paid by the student. Full fees vary depending on the courses that are taken. You are able to calculate the fees for a particular course via the Course Fee Finder.

Domestic full fee paying students may be eligible to defer their fees through a Government loan called FEE-HELP provided they meet the residency and citizenship requirements.

Australian citizens, Permanent Humanitarian Visa holders, Permanent Resident visa holders and New Zealand citizens who will be resident outside Australia for the duration of their program pay full tuition fees and are not eligible for FEE-Help.

#### International full fee paying place

International students pay full fees. Full fees vary depending on the courses that are taken and whether they are studied on-campus, via distance education/online. You are able to calculate the fees for a particular course via the Course Fee Finder.

#### Program completion requirements

Students must maintain good standing in this program. Please refer to the Academic Standing, Progression and Exclusion Procedure.

#### **Program structure**

The Bachelor of Laws program is 24 units in total. It has 2 prime components: a core (19 units) and law electives (5 units).

#### **Required time limits**

Students have a maximum of nine years to complete this program.

#### **Core courses**

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LAW2212 Equity	1	1	1
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## Recommended enrolment pattern - stan

Students are able to enrol in any offered mode of a program mode of study they enrolled in.

Recommended enrolment pattern - standard semester 2 intake