Overview

Please note: This Program is not available for enrolment. The Bachelor of Laws (LLB) cannot be studied as a single stand alone degree.

The LLB must be studied with another degree. The information on this page outlines the academic requirements for completion of the Bachelor of Laws (LLB) when taken as an undergraduate double degree at UNSW.

The Bachelor of Laws (LLB) is an undergraduate law degree that is recognised as satisfying the academic requirements for admission as a legal practitioner in NSW. The degree is only offered in combination with another approved undergraduate degree (double degree award mode).

The discipline-specific (depth) component of the LLB consists of 144 Units of Credit (UOC) of Law courses through such compulsory, prescribed electives and free electives as set out below.

The breadth component of the program is achieved by satisfactory completion of the second program undertaken in the double degree award mode. Undergraduate double degree LLB students are not required to do General Education courses.

Students cannot transfer from a double degree enrolment to single degree enrolment in the LLB. Transfer from concurrent double degree enrolment to the single enrolment in the non-Law program may be available, subject to the rules of that program.
Faculty
Faculty of Law

Campus
Kensington

Study Level
Undergraduate

Typical duration
3 Years

Delivery Mode
Face-to-face

Academic Calendar
3+ Calendar

Minimum Units of Credit
144

Award type
Bachelors Pass

Award(s)
Bachelor of Laws - LLB
Learning Outcomes

1. Interpret and analyse statutes, for example: Navigating and applying statutory enactments in accordance with contemporary modes of statutory interpretation; Applying knowledge of the difference between interpretation of statutes and constitutions; Applying knowledge and ability to use extrinsic materials in the interpretation of statutes; Developing a coherent body of knowledge and skills about the rules of statutory interpretation; The application of statutory interpretation techniques in the context of problem-solving to generate appropriate analytical responses to statutory issues; Analysing the relationship between statutory interpretation and human rights instruments in different jurisdictions.

2. Demonstrate and adopt professional and ethical dispositions and values, for example: Professional disposition and values; Developing ability to exercise professional judgment; Ability to reflect on professional responsibilities of lawyers in promoting justice; Understanding the law's role in serving society; Understanding the value of community engagement; Ethical practice; Understanding of ethical approaches to decision-making; Developing ability to respond to ethical issues arising in legal practice; Working sensitively with clients from diverse backgrounds and with a range of needs; Understanding prosecutors' and advocates' obligations both to the court and to the client, and judicial obligations to ensure a fair trial.

3. Conduct legal research and writing, for example: Professional research skills; Academic research skills; Concise writing; Extended writing (research assessment tasks with a word length of 3,000 words or more); Professional writing.

4. Demonstrate professional interpersonal skills, for example: Collaboration skills; Ability to work as a member of a team; Respect for diversity; Dispute resolution; Understanding of formal legal rules; Appreciation of alternative and non-adversarial philosophies and practices; Understanding of lawyers' roles in disputes; Understanding of power dynamics.

5. Engage in legal reasoning, for example: Case analysis; Problem-solving skills; Identifying and articulating legal issues; Applying legal reasoning and research to generate appropriate responses to legal issues; Engaging in critical analysis and making a reasoned choice amongst alternatives; Thinking creatively in approaching legal issues and generating appropriate responses.
6. Demonstrate an understanding and appreciation of principles of justice and the rule of law, for example: Tensions between law and justice/morality; Distributive justice, including social justice; Corrective justice; Justice as desert and retributive justice; Restorative justice and ADR; Legal protection of rights, including by the Constitution; Legal practitioners' duties to clients, the court and society; Due process and natural justice; The maintenance and operation of the rule of law; Constraints upon government power and the review and correction of government decisions; The rule of law in context.

7. Demonstrate an understanding and appreciation of indigenous legal issues, for example: Colonial dispossession; Historical and continuing impact of the law on Indigenous Australians; Indigenous rights, sovereignty and recognition in the Constitution; Native title; Interactions with legal professionals and enforcement officers; Indigenous laws and justice mechanisms; Cross-cultural communication issues.

8. Apply interdisciplinary perspectives to legal issues, in particular, the ability to bring perspectives from other disciplines to bear on legal issues.

9. Engage in reform-oriented analysis of law and policy, this includes: Ability to critique existing law in light of broader perspectives, current legal impact and future needs; Ability to contribute to reform processes.

10. Demonstrate professional communication skills, for example: Oral communication in adversarial and non-adversarial contexts; Written communication in various formats and styles; General presentation capacities; Legal presentation capacities; Empathetic listening skills; Cross-cultural communication, including with Indigenous people.

11. Demonstrate an understanding and appreciation of legal knowledge in its broader contexts, for example: Fundamental areas of legal knowledge for practice in NSW; Understanding of the Australian legal system; Contextual disciplinary understanding; Theoretical perspectives underlying principles and concepts; Major theories; International and comparative approaches to law; Awareness of other jurisdictions and legal systems and understanding of their impact on local jurisdictions; Awareness of global legal practice; Broader contexts of law and legal practice; Environmental issues; Race and diversity based issues; Poverty and social
inequity/class based issues; Commercial issues; Employer/employee power imbalances; Gender and sexuality based issues; Disability awareness; Ethical and professional responsibilities and rules; Relationship between law and ethics, and theories of ethics applicable to legal practice.

12. Demonstrate professional capacity for self-management, for example: Ability to engage in independent learning; Time management skills; Personal and professional development; Reflective practice; Ability to reflect on and assess own capabilities and performance, including through self-assessment; Ability to use feedback; Reflection on personal values in the professional role.

Graduate Capabilities:

For more information on Graduate Capabilities, please click on this link.
Related Programs

Related Double Degree Programs

Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) - BE (Hons)
Bachelor of Laws - LLB

3765 Engineering (Honours) / Law

Faculty: Faculty of Law, Faculty of Engineering
Campus: Kensington
Units of Credit: 312
Typical Duration: 6.7 Years

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Bachelor of Science - BSc
Bachelor of Laws - LLB

3786 Computer Science / Law

Faculty: Faculty of Law, Faculty of Engineering
Campus: Kensington
Units of Credit: 240
Typical Duration: 5 Years

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Bachelor of Advanced Science (Honours) - BAdvSci(Hons)
Bachelor of Laws - LLB

3997 Advanced Science (Honours) / Law

Faculty: Faculty of Law, Faculty of Science
Campus: Kensington
Units of Credit: 288
Typical Duration: 6 Years

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Bachelor of Science (Advanced Mathematics) (Honours) - BSc(AdvMath)(Hons)
Bachelor of Laws - LLB

3998 Advanced Mathematics (Honours) / Law

Faculty: Faculty of Law, Faculty of Science
Campus: Kensington
Units of Credit: 288
Typical Duration: 6 Years

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Bachelor of Art Theory - BAT
Bachelor of Laws - LLB
4703 Art Theory / Law

Faculty: Faculty of Law, Faculty of Art & Design
Campus: Paddington, Kensington
Units of Credit: 240
Typical Duration: 5 Years

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Bachelor of City Planning (Honours) - BCP (Hons)
Bachelor of Laws - LLB
4706 City Planning (Honours) / Law

Faculty: Faculty of Law, Faculty of Built Environment
Campus: Kensington
Units of Credit: 312
Typical Duration: 6.7 Years

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Bachelor of Psychology (Honours) - BPsych(Hons)
Bachelor of Laws - LLB
4721 Psychology (Honours) / Law

Faculty: Faculty of Law, Faculty of Science
Campus: Kensington
Units of Credit: 288
Typical Duration: 6 Years

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Bachelor of Psychological Science - BPsychSc
Bachelor of Laws - LLB
4722 Psychological Science / Law

Faculty: Faculty of Law, Faculty of Science
Campus: Kensington
Units of Credit: 240
Typical Duration: 5 Years

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Bachelor of Commerce - BCom
Bachelor of Laws - LLB

**4733 Commerce / Law**

Faculty: Faculty of Law, UNSW Business School
Campus: Kensington
Units of Credit: 240
Typical Duration: 5 Years

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Bachelor of Actuarial Studies - BActSt
Bachelor of Laws - LLB

**4737 Actuarial Studies / Law**

Faculty: Faculty of Law, UNSW Business School
Campus: Kensington
Units of Credit: 240
Typical Duration: 5 Years

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Bachelor of Economics - BEc
Bachelor of Laws - LLB

**4744 Economics / Law**

Faculty: Faculty of Law, UNSW Business School
Campus: Kensington
Units of Credit: 240
Typical Duration: 5 Years

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Bachelor of Media - BMedia
Bachelor of Laws - LLB

**4751 Media (PR and Advertising) / Law**

Faculty: Faculty of Law, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences
Campus: Kensington
Units of Credit: 240
Typical Duration: 5 Years

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Bachelor of Media - BMedia
Bachelor of Laws - LLB

**4752 Media (Screen and Sound Production) / Law**

Faculty: Faculty of Law, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences
Campus: Kensington
Units of Credit: 240
Typical Duration: 5 Years

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Faculty: Faculty of Law, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences
Campus: Kensington
Units of Credit: 240
Typical Duration: 5 Years

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Bachelor of Media - BMedia
Bachelor of Laws - LLB
4753 Media (Comm & Journalism) / Law

Faculty: Faculty of Law, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences
Campus: Kensington
Units of Credit: 240
Typical Duration: 5 Years

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Bachelor of Medicinal Chemistry (Honours) - BMedChem(Hons)
Bachelor of Laws - LLB
4755 Medicinal Chemistry (Honours) / Law

Faculty: Faculty of Law, Faculty of Science
Campus: Kensington
Units of Credit: 312
Typical Duration: 6.7 Years

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Bachelor of Fine Arts - BFA
Bachelor of Laws - LLB
4759 Fine Arts / Law

Faculty: Faculty of Law, Faculty of Art & Design
Campus: Paddington, Kensington
Units of Credit: 240
Typical Duration: 5 Years

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Bachelor of Criminology and Criminal Justice - BCCJ
Bachelor of Laws - LLB
4763 Criminology & Criminal Justice / Law

Faculty: Faculty of Law, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences
Campus: Kensington
Units of Credit: 240
Typical Duration: 5 Years

Bachelor of Science - BSc
Bachelor of Laws - LLB

4770 Science / Law

Faculty: Faculty of Law, Faculty of Science
Campus: Kensington
Units of Credit: 240
Typical Duration: 5 Years

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Bachelor of Social Research and Policy - BSRP
Bachelor of Laws - LLB

4771 Social Research and Policy / Law

Faculty: Faculty of Law, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences
Campus: Kensington
Units of Credit: 264
Typical Duration: 5.7 Years

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Bachelor of Science and Business - BSc&Bus
Bachelor of Laws - LLB

4772 Science and Business / Law

Faculty: Faculty of Law, Faculty of Science
Campus: Kensington
Units of Credit: 288
Typical Duration: 6 Years

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Bachelor of Music - BMus
Bachelor of Laws - LLB

4774 Music / Law

Faculty: Faculty of Law, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences
Campus: Kensington
Units of Credit: 288
Typical Duration: 6 Years

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Bachelor of Music (Honours) - BMus (Hons)
Bachelor of Laws - LLB

4779 Music (Honours) / Law

Faculty: Faculty of Law, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences
Campus: Kensington
Units of Credit: 288
Typical Duration: 6 Years

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Bachelor of Arts - BA
Bachelor of Laws - LLB

4782 Arts / Law

Faculty: Faculty of Law, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences
Campus: Kensington
Units of Credit: 240
Typical Duration: 5 Years

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Bachelor of Arts and Business - BArts (Bus)
Bachelor of Laws - LLB

4783 Arts and Business / Law

Faculty: Faculty of Law, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences
Campus: Kensington
Units of Credit: 288
Typical Duration: 6 Years

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Bachelor of Social Work (Honours) - BSW (Hons)
Bachelor of Laws - LLB

4787 Social Work (Honours) / Law

Faculty: Faculty of Law, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences
Campus: Kensington
Units of Credit: 312
Typical Duration: 6.7 Years

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Bachelor of International Studies - BInSt
Bachelor of Laws - LLB

4788 International Studies / Law
Faculty: Faculty of Law, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences
Campus: Kensington
Units of Credit: 288
Typical Duration: 6 Years

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Bachelor of Media - **BMedia**
Bachelor of Laws - **LLB**

**4789 Media (Public Relations and Advertising) / Law**

Faculty: Faculty of Law, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences
Campus: Kensington
Units of Credit: 240
Typical Duration: 5 Years

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Bachelor of Media - **BMedia**
Bachelor of Laws - **LLB**

**4792 Media (Communication and Journalism) / Law**

Faculty: Faculty of Law, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences
Campus: Kensington
Units of Credit: 240
Typical Duration: 5 Years

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Bachelor of Data Science and Decisions - **BDataSci**
Bachelor of Laws - **LLB**

**4795 Data Science and Decisions / Law**

Faculty: Faculty of Law, Faculty of Science
Campus: Kensington
Units of Credit: 264
Typical Duration: 5.7 Years

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Bachelor of Politics, Philosophy and Economics - **BPPE**
Bachelor of Laws - **LLB**

**4797 Politics, Philosophy and Economics / Law**

Faculty: Faculty of Law, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences
Campus: Kensington
Units of Credit: 288
Typical Duration: 6 Years

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Admission Requirements

Special Admission Requirements

Additional selection criteria for admission to this program:

- External test e.g. UMAT or GMAT score

All domestic applicants must sit the Law Admissions Test (LAT). See the UNSW Law website for further details.

For more information about admission requirements for various UNSW programs, visit the following website(s):

Domestic Students
International Student
Program Requirements

Progression Requirements

Students must complete the LLB within 10 years of first enrolment in the program. UNSW LLB students are eligible to transfer to the LLB (Honours) program if, at the time of making their application, they: a) have successfully completed a minimum of 96 UOC of LLB courses; b) have successfully completed at least 84 UOC of core LLB courses (which can include the prescribed theory elective); c) have a minimum of 12 UOC of LLB courses still to complete at UNSW; and d) have a WAM in their core LLB courses (including the prescribed theory elective, if applicable) of 75 or above.

For more information on university policy on progression requirements please visit Academic Progression.
Pathways

Honours Programs

Bachelor of Laws (Honours) - **LLB(Hons)**

**4702 Law (Honours)**

Faculty: Faculty of Law
Campus: Kensington
Units of Credit: 144
Typical Duration: 3 Years

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Post Graduate

Graduate Diploma in Legal Professional Practice - **GDLPP**

**5213 Legal Professional Practice**

Faculty: Faculty of Law
Campus: Kensington
Units of Credit: 42
Typical Duration: 0.5 Years

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Master of Laws - **LLM**

**9201 Law**

Faculty: Faculty of Law
Campus: Kensington
Units of Credit: 48
Typical Duration: 1 Years

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Professional Outcomes

Accreditations

Professional institutes that offer accreditation on completion of this program:

- Legal Profession Admission Board

The Bachelor of Laws is accredited by the Legal Profession Admission Board (10/10/2017) and satisfies academic requirements for admission to legal practice.
Recognition of Achievement

University Medal

The University Medal is awarded to recognise outstanding academic performance by a bachelor degree student in line with the University Medal Policy and University Medal Procedure.

Award of Pass with Distinction

The Award of Pass with Distinction is awarded when a weighted average mark (WAM) of at least 75% has been achieved and at least 50% of the requirements of the award completed at UNSW. All eligible programs will award Pass with Distinction except in special circumstances where approval of Academic Board has been given for a program to opt out.

For more information, please visit:

Current Students Pass With Distinction
**Additional Information**

**Medallist Requirements**

**Note:** From S1, 2018 (when the LLB (Honours) commences) the University Medal will not be awarded to students graduating only with the LLB. It will only be awarded to an LLB (Honours) student (as explained in 4702 Law (Honours)).

The recommended student for the University Medal is expected to have maintained Good Standing throughout their UG career (ie, while undertaking their LLB) and usually rank the highest amongst their graduating LLB cohort. In addition to that, the recommended Medallist will be compared in different categories with other students attaining the LLB (Honours) (Class 1) to identify the best/top student based on each category.

These categories of comparison include:

- Honours WAM
- WAM for all LAWS courses
- WAM for LAWS core courses and LAWS prescribed elective
- WAM for LAWS elective courses
- WAM for best 4 LAWS elective courses
- WAM for best 19 LAWS courses
- WAM for all LAWS courses minus two lowest mark

**LLB with Distinction**

**Note:** the LLB with Distinction will only be awarded to students who commenced their LLB in or after 2015.

An LLB student whose WAM in all their graded Law courses is 75 or above at the completion of their 144 uoc of LLB courses will be eligible to graduate with ‘LLB with Distinction’.

**Legal Research and Writing Program**

This is a compulsory series of modules which provide training in essential and advanced legal research and in developing writing skills for legal and non-legal audiences. It is assessed in a formative manner and through summative assessment linked to compulsory courses. There are no additional UOC awarded for completion of this program.
Program Fees

At UNSW fees are generally charged at course level and therefore dependent upon individual enrolment and other factors such as student's residency status. For generic information on fees and additional expenses of UNSW programs, click on one of the following:

Domestic Students
Commonwealth Supported Students
International Students
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Access past handbook editions (2018 and prior)

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