



***POST-GRADUATE STUDY  
2021 GUIDE***

# WELCOME TO POST GRADUATE STUDY!

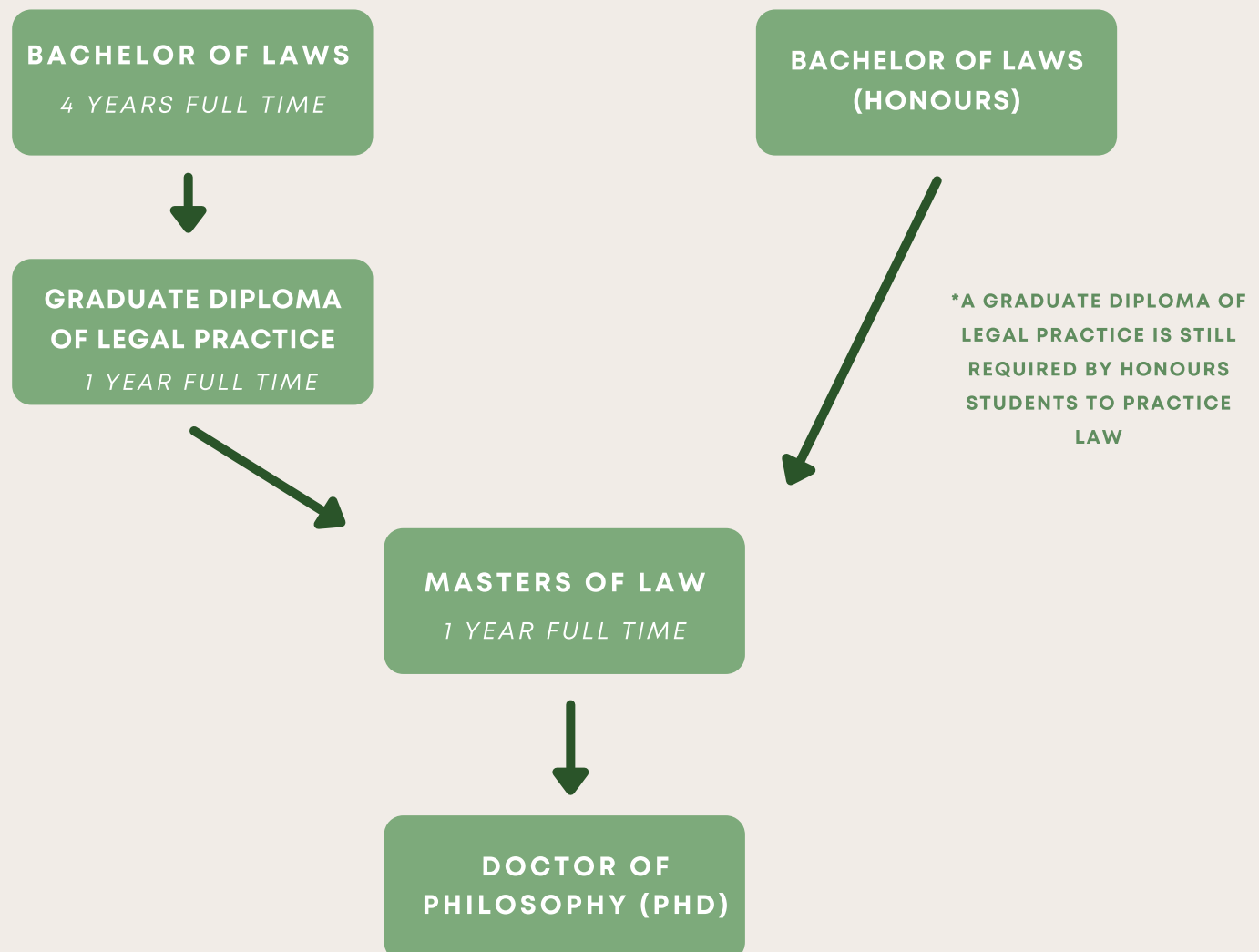
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## WHY STUDY AS A POST-GRADUATE?

- Specialise in areas where you have passionate and interest
- Develop scholarly skills
- Improve employability
- Open up career pathways where postgraduate study is a requirement
- Work alongside leading experts and legal minds
- Develop new approaches to cutting-edge legal problems
- Become a highly credentialed expert in a specific field of law
- Develop a global presence and awareness

## HOW DOES IT WORK?

Postgraduate study is conceptualised into two streams: High Degree By Research and Coursework.



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## COURSE LENGTH

- The Bachelor of Laws (Honours) is an AQF level 8 qualification with a standard full-time duration of 4 years.
- Students will be invited in their penultimate year of a Bachelor of Laws to apply

## ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Admission will be by application - places are limited.
- Must have a GPA of 6.00 (Distinction average) to apply.
- If accepted, your Bachelor of Laws program will be discontinued and admitted into the Honours Degree of Bachelor of Laws.
- All the courses completed under the Bachelor of Laws program are automatically counted towards the Honours Degree of Bachelor of Laws.

## STUDY PLAN

Students will complete the following courses in their final year:


- Honours Research and Writing (3 units) - Semester 1
- Honours Dissertation (6 units) - Semester 2
- Honours Dispute Resolution and Ethics (6 units) - Semester 1
- Honours Evidence and Proof in Theory and Practice (6 units) - Semester 2

And either:

- Honours Adelaide Law Reform A/B (3 units) - Full Year
- Honours Adelaide Law Review (3 units) - Full Year

## GRADING

ASSIGNED MARK	CONVERTS TO GRADE
80-100	1
70-79	2A
60-69	2B
50-59	3
0-49	F



# MASTER OF LAWS

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## COURSE LENGTH

- The Master of Laws encompasses 24 units over a standard full-time duration of 1 year

## ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

There are four different entry pathways. Students must have either completed:

1. A Honours degree of a Bachelor of Laws
2. A Bachelor of Laws and the Graduate Diploma of Legal Practice (GDLP)
3. A Bachelor of Laws and substantial profession experience within the profession (at least two years of practice as either a barrister or a solicitor); or
4. A Bachelor of Laws and substantial research experience within the profession (the ability to demonstrate knowledge of underlying legal principles at an advanced level)

## STUDY PLAN

- Students will complete 24 units chosen from a series of 3 unit courses (8 subjects total)
- And either:
- Law Dissertation (6 unit course)
  - Two 7,000-8,000 word research essays chosen from any postgraduate law course in addition to any other course assessment requirement

## PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- Students can choose to focus their program in a number of different unique specialist study areas, such as Military Law, Internet Law and Workplace Law
- Advance legal writing, reasoning and analytical skills
- Study with legal professionals, judges and international academics
- Complete a substantial research piece of scholarship

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# ***MASTER OF LAWS***

## ***'ACCESS TO JUSTICE' SPECIALISATION***

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### **WHAT IS THE 'ACCESS TO JUSTICE' STREAM?**

- The 'Access to Justice' stream is a Masters qualification that gives you the opportunity to give back to the community and contribute to greater social justice while you study.

### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

Places for the 'Access to Justice' stream are strictly limited, so entry will be competitive.

1. Must get accepted into the Master of Laws (LLM) program.
2. Must complete and submit an Expression of Interest (EOI) form to officially state your interest in applying for the 'Access to Justice' stream.
3. Finally, a selection committee will consider your application and inform you of their decision.

If unsuccessful in applying for the 'Access to Justice' stream, the offer for the Master of Laws will still remain open.

### **STUDY PLAN**

- The Access to Justice stream involves a series of courses administered by the Adelaide Law School as part of your Masters
- Involves undertaking a paid clinical placement at a new 'low bono' practice (the 'Accessible Justice Program') established by leading Australian law firm LK , where you'll provide legal services to low income Australians who'd otherwise be left without access to them.

### **PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS**

- Contribute to the ongoing improvement of our legal system through innovation to help people receive fair and just legal representation.
- Access a paid internship opportunity that will give you an edge as you pursue your legal career.

**LEARN MORE:** [https://future.ask.adelaide.edu.au/app/answers/detail/a\\_id/3020/](https://future.ask.adelaide.edu.au/app/answers/detail/a_id/3020/)

# ***MASTER OF PHILOSOPHY***



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## **COURSE LENGTH**

- The Master of Philosophy is conducted over two years of full time study or the equivalent in half-time candidature

## **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

A successful application to a Master of Philosophy program involves a number of further considerations:

1. A University of Adelaide Bachelor degree with a minimum of a distinction average (6.0 GPA)
2. English Language Proficiency Requirement (all applicants must provide evidence of their proficiency before an offer of a place is made)
3. In order to certify that there is sufficient supervisory and other resources and facilities to enable your candidature to be completed successfully, you must discuss your research interests with prospective supervisors or the School prior to submitting your Master of Philosophy application.

## **STUDY PLAN**

- A Master of Philosophy comprises an independent, supervised research project mutually agreed upon by the student, their supervisors and Head of School
- Students can choose to undertake the degree by either 100% research or, by mixed research and coursework.
- All Master of Philosophy students complete a minimum of 60 hours of relevant professional development activities through the University's Career and Research Skills Training (CaRST) program.

## **PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS**

- Students can choose to focus their program in a number of different unique specialist study areas, such as Military Law, Internet Law and Workplace Law
- Conceptualise and implement independent programs of research
- Work alongside leading experts and develop new approaches to legal problems
- Advance legal writing, reasoning and analytical skills

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# ***DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY (PhD)***

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## **COURSE LENGTH**

- The PhD involves three to four years of research for a full-time candidate or the equivalent in half-time candidature.

## **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

Applicants will need one of the following:

1. A relevant University of Adelaide Honours degree with at least a second-class Honours; or
2. A postgraduate coursework degree which contains a significant research component and meets the minimum GPA requirements; or
3. A relevant University of Adelaide Research Master (or equivalent)

Applicants also require evidence of English proficiency,


## **STUDY PLAN**

- A PhD comprises of an independent, supervised research project mutually agreed upon by the student, their supervisors and Head of School.
- The PhD requires the development and implementation of a rigorous research plan, based on a comprehensive understanding of the relevant literature and the need for answers to questions posed in that literature or as a result of a new theory.
- PhD students complete a minimum of 120 hours of relevant professional development activities through the University's Career and Research Skills Training (CaRST) program.

## **PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS**

- Conceptualise and implement independent programs of research
- Advance legal writing, reasoning and analytical skills
- Work alongside leading experts and develop new approaches to cutting-edge legal problems
- Make a significant and original contribution to knowledge in your chosen field of research.

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# CONTACTS & RESOURCES

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## APPLICATIONS

- University of Adelaide students can lodge an internal transfer request if intending to study the postgraduate program in the semester following completion of the LLB.
- More information: <https://admissions.adelaide.edu.au/itrHomePage>

## SCHOLARSHIPS

- A wide range of scholarships are available for domestic and international students to assist with the cost of their studies
- More information: <https://www.adelaide.edu.au/graduatecentre/scholarships>

## FOR FURTHER INQUIRIES

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