Bachelor of Laws (Honours) (International students)

Program code
1619

Available at
Gold Coast Campus, Nathan Campus

Duration
4 years full-time

Credit points
320

Indicative fee
$35,500.00* per year (more)
* 2024 indicative annual fee

Entry requirements
7.0
IELTS (Academic) (more)

CRICOS code
086236B

Commencing in
Trimester 1 and Trimester 2

Prerequisites
English, English as an Additional Language, Literature or English & Literature Extension (Units 3&4, C)

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About this program

QUEENSLAND'S TOP CHOICE FOR LAW.

When you study law at Griffith, you'll join a law school who are to dedicated to social justice and learn from award-winning teachers and researchers who are challenging the status quo and creating new legal knowledge, models and processes. Griffith is also proud to be the highest ranked Queensland University for Law && Criminology in the 2023 Shanghai Global Rankings of Academic Subjects.

You'll learn through hands-on experiences from year one. You'll make connections between law and ethics, legal theory, Indigenous issues, and internationalisation. You'll also develop understandings of law and legal work through courses that cover areas such as crime, contracts, property and corporate law, torts and law theories.

Industry and expert connections

You'll have the opportunity to choose electives based on your interests, plus you may undertake clinical courses that emphasise practical legal skills, insights and experience. These range in subjects from social justice and refugee law to community lawyering and advanced family law.

My attendance during the program

Attendance information

The Bachelor of Laws (Honours) is offered full-time on-campus at the Gold Coast and Nathan campuses. You may choose to study courses at other campuses if or where the program structure allows.

As a full-time student you will generally attend 10-15 hours of scheduled classes per week throughout the trimester. Classes may be scheduled during the day and early evening throughout the week.

Some law electives are offered at the Gold Coast, Nathan or South Bank campuses. Some law electives are offered online and a few law electives are run in intensive mode including in Trimester 3. Intensive mode means that classes may be compacted over a week or over several weekends. Some law electives are 'clinics' which typically involve work off-campus.

If you are an International student on a student visa, you must ensure that you enrol in a way that will allow you to complete your enrolment within the expected program duration as stated on your Confirmation of Enrolment (CoE).

Work-integrated learning

The Bachelor of Laws (Honours) provides the opportunity for optional work-integrated learning through its variety of Clinic courses.

My career opportunities

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Graduate outcomes

If you want to become a registered solicitor or barrister, the Bachelor of Laws (Honours) will set you on the right path. Your degree could also pave the way for work as a lawyer in a law firm, a policymaker or law reformer working in the government or community sector, or even as a human rights defender. You'll open up a world of non-legal careers too, including careers in journalism, politics or management.

Griffith law graduates are highly sought after in the industry and broader workforce. For a law degree that prepares you for a varied and challenging career, choose our Bachelor of Laws (Honours).

Key employment sectors*

- Professional, Scientific and Technical Services
- Public Administration and Safety
- Financial and Insurance Services

Potential job outcomes

- Solicitor
- Barrister
- Policy adviser
- Human rights lawyer
- Journalist
- Political analyst
- Management consultant

**Source: Australian Government Job Outlook.*

Professional recognition

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To be eligible for admission as a solicitor, a person must complete an approved Bachelor of Laws or Juris Doctor degree (undertaken approved practical legal training via a practical legal training course or supervised traineeship at a law firm) and be able to satisfy the Legal Practitioners Admissions Board and the Supreme Court of their fitness to practise law.

- Queensland Law Society
- Steps to practising law interactive tool outlining the steps to practise law, information on admission and practising law in Queensland, interstate and internationally

Canada: Griffith's law degree is accepted for entry into the legal profession in Canada's common law provinces, when accompanied by a Certificate of Qualification from the National Committee on Accreditation (NCA) of the Federation of Law Societies of Canada. You must ensure you complete the five Canadian Law courses to help you prepare for the NCA exams while gaining credit towards your law degree.

- Federation of Law Societies of Canada

Malaysia (Sabah and Sarawak): Students from Sabah or Sarawak who have a Griffith law degree and wish to return to Sabah or Sarawak to practise law may do so providing they gain admission to practice in an Australian jurisdiction first and then fulfil additional requirements upon their return to Sabah or Sarawak.

Fiji: All Australian law degrees are recognised in Fiji. Graduates must also complete their Practical Legal Training to be admitted to practice law in Fiji.

Papua New Guinea (PNG): All Australian law degrees are recognised in PNG. Graduates that are not citizens of PNG must complete their Practical Legal Training, have three years' post admission experience, and complete three exams on PNG law to be admitted to practice law in PNG.

Brunei: All Australian law degrees are recognised in Brunei. Graduates must also complete their Practical Legal Training to be admitted to practice law in Brunei.

India: Griffith's law degree is recognised for the purposes of admission to legal practice in India.

Please note that different jurisdictions' admission rules and requirements are subject to change. You should carefully examine the relevant legal requirements which are usually available on each jurisdiction's relevant law or bar association's websites.

What are the fees?

International students

An International student is one who is not:

- an Australian or New Zealand citizen or
- a Pacific Engagement visa holder or
- a person who has Australian permanent resident status.

Indicative annual tuition fee

The indicative annual tuition fee is calculated based on a standard full-time study load which is usually 80 credit points (two full-time trimesters).

The indicative annual tuition fee is based on current conditions and available data and should only be used as a guide. These fees are reviewed annually and are subject to change.

Tuition fees

- An International student pays tuition fees.
- Students are liable for tuition fees for the courses they are enrolled in as at the census date.
- The tuition fee for students who commence their program prior to 2014 is charged according to the approved program fee for the trimester in which the student commenced the program.
- The tuition fee for students who commence their program from 2014 onwards is charged according to the approved program fee for the trimester in which the student is enrolled.

Program fees for the Bachelor of Laws (Honours) (1619)

Fees for this program can be found on the Programs and Courses website in the "Overview and fees" section. Select your commencing year to view your fees.

Changing programs

If an International student changes to a different program they will be subject to the approved program fee for the trimester in which they are enrolled.

Permanent resident status

If an **undergraduate student** obtains permanent resident status in Australia after commencing study in a program, and the student can provide evidence of permanent resident status prior to the census date (of the trimester in which they are enrolled), the student will be provided with a domestic fee-paying place.

The student may then apply for a Commonwealth supported place at the next admission period provided that the student satisfies the conditions for transfer from a domestic fee-paying place to a Commonwealth supported place as set out in the Undergraduate Programs Admission Policy.

If a **postgraduate student** obtains permanent resident status in Australia after commencing study in a program, and the student can provide evidence of permanent resident status prior to the census date (of the trimester in which they are enrolled), the student will automatically be considered for a Commonwealth supported place (subject to availability) or a domestic fee-paying place as applicable for the program.

If a **research student** obtains permanent resident status in Australia after commencing study in a program, and the student can provide evidence of permanent resident status prior to the census date (of the trimester in which they are enrolled), the student will automatically be considered for a Commonwealth Government Research Training Program (RTP) Fee Offset or a domestic fee-paying place as applicable for the program.

Further information

- Fees and Charges Procedure
  - 3.6 - Fees for International Students
  - 3.9 - Administrative and Miscellaneous Charges
  - Fees and Charges Schedules
- Cost of studying in Australia