



THE UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME AUSTRALIA

# Bachelor of Laws

*School of Law, Fremantle Campus*

***Have you always been a supporter of the concept of a 'fair go'? Do you argue passionately for what you believe in? The Bachelor of Laws from The University of Notre Dame Australia provides a gateway to an exciting and rewarding career in law.***

***Completed over four years of full-time study, this program combines a comprehensive coverage of legal and ethical principles, as well as the skills to apply these principles in legal practice.***

## **Why study this degree?**

Although it can be challenging, the legal profession is also an immensely rewarding one. At The University of Notre Dame Australia, we have worked with leading judges, senior barristers and solicitors to design a quality degree that is both rigorous, ethical, practical and relevant to the current Australian legal landscape.

The Bachelor of Laws program gives students a solid grounding in legal theory and practice, and the opportunity to hone their negotiation, advocacy and mooting skills. Through our Legal Clinic, mentoring program, courtroom visits, mooting and internship programs, our law students are provided with multiple opportunities to experience the law in practice. Students are also encouraged to learn outside of the classroom, by attending seminars and professional development events such as our *Eminent Speakers Series*. This prestigious forum connects students and graduates with leading experts in the discussion of contemporary legal and professional matters.

Notre Dame is the only university in Australia that contains a historic, fully functioning courthouse for student use. Known as the oldest surviving courthouse in Fremantle, the Justice Owen Moot Court has been restored by the University community and now provides students with the perfect setting to perfect their advocacy and mooting skills.

## **Program summary**

### **Core Curriculum**

- Introduction to Philosophy
- Introduction to Theology
- Ethics and the Law

### **Year One**

- Legal Research & Writing
- Legal Process & Statutory Interpretation
- Legal History
- Criminal Law A

- Criminal Law B

## **Year Two**

- Contract Law A
- Torts A
- Property Law A
- Equity
- Contract Law B
- Torts B
- Property Law B
- Trusts

## **Year Three**

- Advocacy
- Constitutional Law
- Corporations & Partnerships
- Evidence
- Administration Law
- Law Elective One
- Law Elective Two
- Law Elective Three

## **Year Four**

- Remedies
- Civil Procedure
- Legal Philosophy
- Alternative Dispute Resolution
- Commercial Practice & Ethics
- Law Elective Four

- Law Elective Five
- Law Elective Six

## **Law Electives\***

- Advanced Administrative Law
- Advanced Civil Procedure
- Advanced Constitutional Law
- Advanced Evidence
- Advanced Research Project (i.e. Honours research – two courses)
- Bioethics and the Law
- Advanced Taxation Law
- Commercial Drafting
- Commercial Law
- Construction and Building Contract Law
- Contemporary Legal Issues
- Directed Research Project
- Employee Relations Law
- Entertainment Law
- Environmental Law
- Family Law
- Health Law
- Human Rights Law
- Indigenous Law
- Insolvency
- Intellectual Property Law
- International Dispute Resolution
- Canon Law (i.e. Church Law)
- Law and Religion

- Law in Context (Externships) – involves work experience
- Mining and Petroleum Law
- Occupational Safety and Health Law
- Introduction to Australian Taxation Law
- Succession
- Competition and Consumer Law
- Trial Advocacy

\*Available law electives are subject to change and may vary depending on your campus and year of study. Please check with your school for the current electives on offer.

More information about the courses can be found at the [course descriptions](https://www.notredame.edu.au/about/schools/fremantle/law/course-descriptions) (<https://www.notredame.edu.au/about/schools/fremantle/law/course-descriptions>) page.

Full details of the program requirements are contained in the [Program Regulations](https://www.notredame.edu.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0011/403/Program-Regulations.pdf) ([https://www.notredame.edu.au/\\_data/assets/pdf\\_file/0011/403/Program-Regulations.pdf](https://www.notredame.edu.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0011/403/Program-Regulations.pdf)).

## **Study Abroad**

You will have the opportunity to complete part of your degree at one of our partner institutions through our exchange program. Get in touch with the [Study Abroad Office](https://www.notredame.edu.au/international/study-abroad) (<https://www.notredame.edu.au/international/study-abroad>) to find out more about studying in Asia, Europe and North America.

## **Entry requirements**

Academic requirements for this program are outlined below. In addition, to be eligible for admission, all applicants need to satisfy minimum requirements outlined at [admission requirements \(https://www.notredame.edu.au/study/admission-requirements\)](https://www.notredame.edu.au/study/admission-requirements). These include those relating to age and [English Language Proficiency \(https://www.notredame.edu.au/study/admission-requirements/english-language-proficiency-requirements\)](https://www.notredame.edu.au/study/admission-requirements/english-language-proficiency-requirements). We also consider your application more broadly - your non-academic achievements (such as any previous leadership roles, volunteering, work, church and/or community involvement) as well as personal qualities - your aspirations and interests and your capacity to complete your chosen program.

### **Applicants with recent Secondary Education:**

- Indicative ATAR of 90 or equivalent with a score of 50+ in ATAR English, ATAR Literature or ATAR English as an Additional Language or Dialect (EALD); or
- Minimum International Baccalaureate (IB) score of 33

### **Applicants with Higher Education Study**

- Other university studies completed at undergraduate level or higher, a minimum of 4 successfully completed subjects with at least a 65% average grade or higher;

Applicants who have successfully completed subjects at another University, which are relevant to the selected program of study, may be eligible for [Advanced Standing](#)

<https://www.notredame.edu.au/current-students/your-enrolment/admin-and-fees/fremantle/advanced-standing>).

## **Applicants with Work and Life Experience**

Applicants who left secondary education more than two years previously and who have not undertaken VET or higher education study since then, but with relevant work and life experience. Such experience may include, but is not limited to:

- Mature-age completion of two Year 12 WACE or HSC exams with a resulting ATAR of 90 or above  
OR
- Western Australian Certificate of Education (WACE) or equivalent results if these have been completed within the last 5 years.

*Please note: all applicants must be of school leaving age or older to apply.*

## **Fees**

This Program has the following loan scheme(s) available for eligible students:

### **FEE-HELP**

The FEE-HELP loan scheme assists eligible fee-paying students with the payment of all, or part, of their tuition fees, not including additional study costs such as accommodation or textbooks. Your FEE-HELP debt will be indexed each year in line with the Consumer Price Index. Please note, from 1 January 2019, students studying an undergraduate program at the University of Notre Dame will no longer be charged the 25% FEE-HELP loan fee.

For further information, or for indicative fees for domestic or international students, please visit our [Fees page](https://www.notredame.edu.au/study/fees) (<https://www.notredame.edu.au/study/fees>).

## Career opportunities

The following careers are open to graduates of this program:

- Solicitor
- Barrister
- Judge's associate
- Research assistant

## Student profile data

Table 2 below gives an indication of the likely peer cohort for new students in this Program. It provides data on all students who commenced in this Program in the most relevant recent intake period, including those admitted through all offer rounds and international students studying in Australia.

**TABLE 2a - Bachelor of Laws BASIS OF ADMISSION IN SEMESTER 1, 2020 INTAKE**

Applicant background	Semester 1 2020	
	Number of students	Percentage of all students
<b>(A) Higher education study</b> (includes a bridging or enabling	<5	N/A



course)		
<b>(B) Vocational education and training (VET) study</b>	<5	N/A
<b>(C) Work and life experience</b> (Admitted on the basis of previous achievement not in the other three categories)	<5	N/A
<b>(D) Recent secondary education:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Admitted solely on the basis of ATAR (regardless of whether this includes the consideration of adjustment factors such as equity or subject bonus points)</li> </ul>	<5	N/A
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Admitted where both ATAR and additional criteria were considered (e.g. portfolio, audition, interview, extra test, early offer conditional on minimum ATAR)</li> </ul>	<5	N/A
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Admitted on the basis of other criteria only and ATAR was <b><i>not</i></b> a factor (e.g. special consideration, audition alone, interview, school marks &amp; recommendation with no minimum ATAR)</li> </ul>	7	100%

requirement)		
<b>International students</b>	<5	N/A
<b>All students</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

**TABLE 2b - Bachelor of Laws ATAR PROFILE DATA FOR APPLICANTS ENTERING ON THE BASIS OF RECENT SECONDARY EDUCATION IN SEMESTER 1, 2020 INTAKE**

<b>RECENT SECONDARY EDUCATION - ATAR-based offers</b>	<b>ATAR (Excluding adjustment factors) *</b>	<b>Selection Rank (ATAR plus any adjustment factors) *[only if relevant]</b>
Highest rank to receive an offer	94.80	N/A
Median rank to receive an offer	91.03	N/A
Lowest rank to receive an offer	86.50	N/A

**Notes:**

“<5” - the number of students is less than 5

N/A - Students not accepted in this category

N/P - Not published: the number is hidden to prevent calculation of numbers in cells with less than 5 students

**More information**

For more information on the Bachelor of Laws, please call our Prospective Students Office on +61 8 9433 0533 or email [future@nd.edu.au](mailto:future@nd.edu.au) (<mailto:future@nd.edu.au>).

All International enquiries should contact the International Students Office on [international@nd.edu.au](mailto:international@nd.edu.au) (<mailto:international@nd.edu.au>).

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## **Need help? Ask Notre Dame**

(08) 9433 0533

**Duration:** 4 years full-time or equivalent part-time

**Campus:** Fremantle

**Loan Scheme:** FEE-HELP

**Study mode:** On Campus

**Code:** Program Code 3510, CRICOS Code 023751D

**Commencement:** Semester 1 or Semester 2

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