



THE UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME AUSTRALIA

Bachelor of Laws / Bachelor of Biomedical Science

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School of Law & Business

Are you interested in biomedical science and its role within a legal context? The University of Notre Dame Australia's Bachelor of Laws/Bachelor of Biomedical Science double degree is ideal. The field of biomedical science is a rapidly-evolving discipline with a range of exciting career opportunities. However, the journey from laboratory to patient is complex, taking an average of 15 years for research evidence to reach clinical practice. A Bachelor of Laws / Bachelor of Biomedical Science will give you the tools to improve this transition. Contact us today to find out more.

Why study this degree?

Our combined Bachelor of Laws / Bachelor of Biomedical Science has been designed to be completed over five years of full-time study, allowing you to develop your knowledge in the field of biomedical science and its role within the legal context.

Accredited by the Legal Practice Board of Western Australia, the Law component of your degree places a heavy focus on experiential learning. Designed in conjunction with some of the nation's leading legal experts, this program covers various legal subjects such as Criminal Law, Commercial Law and Conveyancing. As a student in the School of Law, your theoretical knowledge will be bolstered with practical exercises such as mooting, public speaking, dispute resolution, and client interview competitions.

In the Biomedical Science component of your studies, you will have the opportunity to combine the methodologies learned in Law with an understanding of Developmental Psychology, Pathology, Neuroscience and more. Because introducing new biomedical products into the market requires the help of multidisciplinary teams, including research scientists, intellectual property lawyers and clinical trials experts, graduates with knowledge in medicine and law are in high demand.

By completing a Bachelor of Laws / Bachelor of Biomedical Science, you will be able to practise law in the specialist area of health sciences. Alternatively, you may also choose to work in the biomedical industry in regulation, compliance, and intellectual property.

Program summary

Year One

- Legal Research and Writing
- Legal Process and Statutory Interpretation
- Legal History
- Introduction to Biological Sciences
- Human Structure & Function
- Exercise in Physiology
- Introduction to Physical Sciences

Year Two

- Criminal Law A
- Contract Law A
- Torts A
- Criminal Law B
- Contract Law B
- Torts B
- Data Analysis and Experimental Design
- Molecular and Cell Biology
- Anatomy and Physiology of Body Systems
- Biochemistry

Year Three

- Property Law A
- Property Law B
- Immunology
- Human Genetics
- Biomedical Science Practicum
- Infectious Disease
- Neuroscience

Year Four

- Advocacy
- Constitutional Law
- Equity
- Corporations & Partnerships
- Evidence
- Administrative Law
- Trusts
- Law Elective One

Year Five

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

Law Electives*

- Advanced Administrative Law
- Advanced Civil Procedure
- Advanced Constitutional Law
- Advanced Evidence Law
- Advanced Research Project (i.e. Honours Research)
- Bioethics and the Law
- Advanced Taxation Law
- Commercial Law
- Commercial Drafting
- 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
- International Commercial Dispute Resolution
- Intellectual Property Law
- Introduction to Canon Law (i.e. Church Law)
- Law and Religion
- Law in Context (Externships) – involves work experience
- Legal History
- Mining and Petroleum Law
- Occupational Safety and Health Law
- Introduction to Australian Taxation Law
- Succession
- Competition and Consumer Law
- Trial Advocacy

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Core Curriculum

- CORE I: Foundations of Wisdom
- CORE II: Elective

- Electives in philosophy and/or theology
- Professional embedded electives that integrate studies in a profession with philosophy and/or theology
- An option to undertake a pilgrimage embedded in the study of the philosophy and theology of pilgrimage, e.g., World Youth Day
- An option to undertake a course that integrates philosophy & theology with community service and charity work
- An option to undertake an elective in philosophy, theology, and the liberal arts contained within an international experience

*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.

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More information regarding courses can be found at the [course descriptions \(https://www.notredame.edu.au/about-us/faculties-and-schools/school-of-law-and-business/law-fremantle/course-descriptions\)](https://www.notredame.edu.au/about-us/faculties-and-schools/school-of-law-and-business/law-fremantle/course-descriptions) page.

Full details of the program requirements are contained in the [Program Requirements \(https://www.notredame.edu.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0010/404/Science.pdf\)](https://www.notredame.edu.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0010/404/Science.pdf).

Entry requirements

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Learning outcomes

Upon successful completion of the Bachelor of Laws and Bachelor of Laws (Honours), graduates will be able to:

1. Write effective and professional documents adapted to suit the purpose and audience
2. Develop and deliver effective and professional presentations adapted to suit the purpose and audience, using appropriate technologies
3. Synthesise, interpret, and apply information in order to resolve legal problems
4. Demonstrate a sound knowledge of foundational legal concepts, principles, and theories, and apply and transfer knowledge to diverse national, regional, and international legal contexts
5. Undertake self-directed learning with an appreciation of the value and importance of engaging in continuing professional development
6. Provide social justice in the community including the provision of legal advice on a pro bono basis
7. Use ethical and socially responsible decision-making skills
8. Critically reflect on the influence of Catholic and other philosophical and intellectual traditions on the law and on their role in resolving legal issues
9. Work responsibly and collaboratively in diverse teams to achieve shared outcomes

1. Conduct independent legal research and employ appropriate legal research methods and sources to locate, evaluate, synthesise, and present accurate, up-to-date, and reliable legal sources
2. Critically evaluate, analyse, and deploy evidence in support of a research thesis and communicate their findings in both oral and written form (Honours Only)

Upon successful completion of the Bachelor of Biomedical Science, graduates will be able to:

1. Demonstrate and apply thorough scientific knowledge gained through in-depth study of Biomedical Sciences
2. Plan, implement and undertake scientific methodology and experimentation
3. Apply research skills to critically appraise the scientific literature
4. Analyse, evaluate and interpret scientific data and effectively communicate results in written and oral presentations
5. Demonstrate leadership, responsibility, and a collaborative approach to teamwork in the Biomedical profession
6. Integrate and apply professional knowledge and interpersonal skills gained through work integrated learning during professional practicum experiences; and
7. Articulate objective and universal truth, appreciate the intrinsic dignity of the human person, and exhibit good intellectual, moral, and theological habits.

Practical component

There are no practicum or internship requirements applicable to the Bachelor of Laws and Bachelor of Laws (Honours) component of these Awards.

There are internship requirements applicable to the Bachelor of Biomedical Science component of these Awards.

- Students are required to undertake a Practicum during the second or third year of his/her program.
- Work in a related field of endeavour will be undertaken under the supervision of an approved external supervisor; and assessed on the basis of a written report and a confidential report from the supervisor.
- The Biomedical Science Practicum is a 25 Unit of Credit course within the Bachelor of Biomedical Science component of these Awards.
- Australian resident students who have completed a study abroad semester may seek permission from the Dean (or their delegate) that the need to complete this Practicum component be waived.

Career opportunities

Graduates of this program can follow diverse career paths in the private and public sectors; career opportunities range from specialist areas of health sciences to the biomedical industry in regulation, compliance, and intellectual property. Or the field of law - Solicitor, barrister, judge's associate, research assistant.

Real-world experience

You will learn from our academics, who are leaders in their field. There are internship requirements applicable to the Bachelor of Biomedical Science component of this program.

Honours

An Honours award is available for this program. Further information can be found in the [Bachelor of Law \(Honours\), Bachelor of Biomedical Science regulations](https://www.notredame.edu.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0010/404/Science.pdf) (https://www.notredame.edu.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0010/404/Science.pdf), or by contacting the [School of Law & Business](https://www.notredame.edu.au/about-us/faculties-and-schools/school-of-law-and-business) (<https://www.notredame.edu.au/about-us/faculties-and-schools/school-of-law-and-business>).

Study abroad

A global perspective adds a valuable dimension to your university education. At Notre Dame University you can study while experiencing the world. We encourage students to become active global citizens through a range of exchange programs, professional placements, study tours, and volunteer opportunities. Visit [International Opportunities](https://www.notredame.edu.au/study/international-students) (<https://www.notredame.edu.au/study/international-students>) to find out more.

Professional accreditation

The Bachelor of Laws and Bachelor of Laws (Honours) accreditation requirements are according to the accreditation rules administered by the Legal Practice Board of Western Australia.

There are no professional accreditation requirements applicable to the Bachelor of Biomedical Science component of the Awards.

Fees and costs

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

Commonwealth Supported Place (CSP)

A Commonwealth Supported Place (CSP) is a place at a university where the Australian Government pays part of your fees. This part is a subsidy, not a loan, and you don't have to pay it back. However, this subsidy does not cover the entire cost of your study. Students must pay the rest, which is called the 'student contribution amount'.

In a Commonwealth Supported Place, your fees are subsidised by the Australian Government. Your fees will be split into two portions:

The Commonwealth contribution, which is the portion paid by the Australian Government.

The student contribution, which is the portion you pay. You may choose to pay upfront or defer your student contribution with a HECS-HELP Loan. The [HECS-HELP loan scheme \(https://www.studyassist.gov.au/preview-link/node/106/5de65e70-6656-4297-a79d-19fd4a6deadd\)](https://www.studyassist.gov.au/preview-link/node/106/5de65e70-6656-4297-a79d-19fd4a6deadd) assists eligible students with the payment of all, or part, of their tuition fees, not including additional study costs such as accommodation or textbooks. Your HECS-HELP debt will be indexed each year in line with the Consumer Price Index.

Eligible students will be offered a CSP – you do not need to apply.

International Full-Fee Paying

Tuition costs depend on an international student's study load and discipline. Fees are payable each semester at least four weeks prior to the commencement of your program.

For indicative fees and information on how to pay, including Government loan schemes and our online calculator, visit our [Fees, costs and scholarships page](https://www.notredame.edu.au/study/fees-costs-and-scholarships) (<https://www.notredame.edu.au/study/fees-costs-and-scholarships>).

Student profile data

Tables 1 and 2 below give 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.

Fremantle Student Profile Data

TABLE 1a - Bachelor of Laws / Bachelor of Biomedical Science BASIS OF ADMISSION IN SEMESTER 1, 2022 INTAKE

Applicant background	Semester 1 2022	
	Number of students	Percentage of all students
(A) Higher education study (includes a bridging or enabling course)	N/A	N/A
(B) Vocational education and training (VET) study	N/A	N/A
(C) Work and life experience (Admitted on the basis of previous achievement not in the other three categories)	N/A	N/A

(D) Recent secondary education: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Admitted solely on the basis of ATAR (regardless of whether this includes the consideration of adjustment factors such as equity or subject bonus points) 	N/A	N/A
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Admitted where both ATAR and additional criteria were considered (e.g. portfolio, audition, interview, extra test, early offer conditional on minimum ATAR) 	<5	N/P
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Admitted on the basis of other criteria only and ATAR was <i>not</i> a factor (e.g. special consideration, audition alone, interview, school marks & recommendation with no minimum ATAR requirement) 	<5	100%
International students	N/A	N/A
All students	N/P	100.0%

TABLE 1b - Bachelor of Laws / Bachelor of Biomedical Science ATAR PROFILE DATA FOR APPLICANTS ENTERING ON THE BASIS OF *RECENT SECONDARY EDUCATION* IN SEMESTER 1, 2022 INTAKE

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

TABLE 2a - Bachelor of Laws (Honours) / Bachelor of Biomedical Science BASIS OF ADMISSION IN SEMESTER 1, 2022 INTAKE

Applicant background	Semester 1 2022	
	Number of students	Percentage of all students
(A) Higher education study (includes a bridging or enabling course)	<5	100%
All students	N/P	100.0%

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 the calculation of numbers in cells with less than 5 students

In 2022, due to COVID, additional adjustment factor points were granted to applicants from NSW, ACT and VIC.

More information

Considering your uni options?

Talk to one of our career advisors for a personalised advice session (<https://calendly.com/d/dmr-5gg-c2h>). Our advisors provide support while choosing a program of study and completing our application process. **Book my session. (<https://calendly.com/d/dmr-5gg-c2h>)**

For more information, please call our Prospective Students Office on +61 8 9433 0533 or email 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>).

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Duration: 5.38 years full-time or equivalent part-time

Duration type: Full time; Part time

Campus: Fremantle; Sydney

Study mode: On campus

Commencement: Semester 1; Semester 2

Program code: 3522

CRICOS code: 095681F

Fee: Commonwealth Supported Place (CSP); International

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