



THE UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME AUSTRALIA

Bachelor of Laws / Bachelor of Arts

School of Law, Sydney Campus

A combined Bachelor of Laws / Bachelor of Arts from The University of Notre Dame Australia provides a clear pathway into an exciting and challenging career in law, while also building a strong foundation for other career opportunities. Designed with input from judges, barristers and solicitors from around the country, this career-centric degree is known for producing job-ready graduates.

Why study this degree?

Designed to be completed over five years of full-time study, the combined Bachelor of Laws / Bachelor of Arts is an accredited degree for admission to legal practice, but also allows you to pursue your interest in the Humanities. Choose from a wide range of Arts courses, such as History, Journalism, Philosophy, Sociology, Theatre Studies, Applied Psychology and Writing.

For example, students who choose to major in Applied Psychology will develop their insights into human behaviour – a skill that will prove particularly useful when assembling a criminal profile or cross-examining a witness. Similarly, law students who undertake a major in Film & Screen Production will have greater insights than their counterparts when dealing with Entertainment Law. Finally, students who wish to work in not-for-profits or NGOs will find that a major in Social Justice or Politics & International Relations sets them apart from the crowd.

Regardless of the specialist area that you dream of pursuing, a combined degree in Law and Arts will ensure your legal training is supplemented by practical insights in your chosen industry.

Furthermore, practical components such as mentoring, client interview competitions, internships, mock trials, and international commercial dispute resolution programs provide the perfect opportunity to test your skills in a real-world setting.

Program summary

Core Curriculum - The Logos Program

- Logos I
- Logos II
- Logos III

Year One

- Legal Research & Writing

- Legal Process & Statutory Interpretation
- Legal History
- Arts Major Elective One
- Arts Major Elective Two
- Arts Major Elective Three
- Arts Major Elective Four

Year Two

- Criminal Law A
- Contract Law A
- Torts A
- Criminal Law B
- Contract Law B
- Torts B
- Arts Major Elective Five
- Arts Major Elective Six
- Arts Elective

Year Three

- Property Law A
- Property Law B
- Arts Major Elective Seven
- Arts Major Elective Eight
- Three Arts Electives

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 (International)
- Law Elective Three
- Law Elective Four

Law Electives

- Advanced Administrative Law
- Advanced Civil Procedure
- Advanced Constitutional Law
- Advanced Evidence
- Advanced Research Project (i.e. Honours research - 2 units)
- 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

Arts Majors

- Applied Psychology
- Communications and Media

- English Literature
- Film and Screen Production
- History
- Journalism and Media
- Philosophy
- Liberal Arts
- Politics and International Relations
- Politics and Journalism
- Sociology
- Theatre Studies
- Theology

Full details of the program requirements are contained in the [Program Regulations](https://www.notredame.edu.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0013/403) (https://www.notredame.edu.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0013/403)

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.

Real world experience

You will learn from academics who are industry leaders and, through our practicum placements and internship programs, you will gain real professional experience and make valuable contacts with potential employers.

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:

- HSC Performance Band Results with a Band 5 in English, a minimum average of Bands 5s and an overall minimum average HSC mark of 80% in HSC Category A Courses (or Interstate equivalent). Applicants must be eligible for an ATAR or OP; or
- Minimum International Baccalaureate (IB) score of 31.

Applicants with Higher Education Study

- Other University Studies completed at undergraduate level or higher. A minimum number of 4 subjects with a high credit average is required.

Applicants who have successfully completed subjects at another University, which are relevant to the program of study, may be eligible for Advanced Standing (<https://www.notredame.edu.au/current-students/your-enrolment/admin-and-fees/sydney/advanced-standing>).

Applicants with Vocational Education and Training (VET) study

- Completed AQF Diploma or higher in a relevant discipline, from an accredited provider such as TAFE or a Registered Training Organisation (RTO).

Applicants with Work and Life Experience

Applicants with relevant work and life experience who left secondary education more than two years ago and have not undertaken VET or higher education study since then may seek admission on the basis of:

- Their experience. 'Experience' could include a combination of factors sufficient to demonstrate readiness for higher education. These include Mature Age entry and relevant professional experience particularly in a legal context such as paralegal, legal clerk, tipstaff, alternative dispute resolution, law enforcement, relevant social work or legal secretarial work. Work experience and community involvement involving commercial business practice, caring for others, working in religious activities, social welfare or social justice activities will also be considered. Evidence must be provided as to the type and duration of relevant employment or community involvement (more than two years). The Special Tertiary Admissions Test (STAT) may be required.

- STAT – Scores of 160 in the Multiple Choice and Written English sections are required.
- Higher School Certificate (HSC) (or equivalent) results if these have been completed within the last 5 years.

Fees and costs

For more information and indicative fees, please visit the [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:

- Banking and finance
- Charity and community agencies
- Courts (federal and state/territory)
- Foreign affairs
- Government sector
- Journalism and the media
- Not-for-profit organisations
- Personnel and human resources
- Private practice

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 / Bachelor of Arts
BASIS OF ADMISSION IN SEMESTER 1, 2021 INTAKE**

Applicant background	Semester 1 2021	
	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, 	N/A	N/A

early offer conditional on minimum ATAR)		
◦ 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)	10	100%
International students	N/A	N/A
<i>All students</i>	10	100.0%

**TABLE 2b - Bachelor of Laws / Bachelor of Arts
 ATAR PROFILE DATA FOR APPLICANTS ENTERING ON
 THE BASIS OF *RECENT SECONDARY EDUCATION* IN
 SEMESTER 1, 2021 INTAKE**

RECENT SECONDARY EDUCATION - ATAR-based offers	ATAR (Excluding adjustment factors) *	Selection Rank (ATAR plus any adjustment 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

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 / Bachelor of Arts, please call our Prospective Students Office on +61 2 8204 4404 or email sydney@nd.edu.au (<mailto:sydney@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 years full-time or equivalent part-time

Campus: Sydney

Loan Scheme: HECS-HELP

Study mode: On Campus

Code: Program Code 3512, CRICOS Code 095678A

Commencement: Semester 1 or Semester 2

