LLB (04130012)

Department	Law Dean's Office
Minimum duration of study	4 years
Total credits	501
NQF level	08

Programme information

The LLB is the first professional qualification for legal practitioners and provides qualifiers with the necessary theoretical knowledge and practical skills to gain entry into the formal legal profession (eg attorneys/advocates), or to follow other careers in law.

Admission requirements

- The closing date is an administrative admission guideline for non-selection programmes. Once a non-selection programme is full and has reached the institutional targets, such programme will be closed for further admissions, irrespective of the closing date. However, if the institutional targets have not been met by the closing date, such programme will remain open for admissions until the institutional targets are met.
- This Admissions Regulation should be read in conjunction with General Regulations G.1.1 Admission.
- In order to register for a first bachelor's degree at the University, a candidate should have completed the National Senior Certificate (NSC) or equivalent qualification, and meet the minimum requirements for admission to bachelor's degree study.
- Candidates must also comply with the particular subject and level requirement as well as with the minimum Admission Point Score (APS) for the relevant programme.
- The APS calculation is based on a candidate's achievement in six 20-credit NSC-recognised subjects with bands 1 to 7, indicating the scale of achievement. Thus, the highest APS that can be achieved is 42.
- Please note that Life Orientation is a 10-credit subject and is excluded from the calculation when determining the APS.
- Grade 11 results are used in the conditional admission of prospective students.
- The final Grade 12 results will be the determining factor with regard to final admission.
- All modules will be presented only in English as medium of instruction.
- The language of communication and correspondence is English.

Transferring students

All transferring students, whether they have graduated or not, are admitted on academic merit and availability of space. Application for admission must be made by 30 September and to be considered for final admission all results and the certificate of conduct must be submitted by 31 December.

Transferring applicants

Candidates who have already completed the final Grade 12 examination as well as candidates with South African

and foreign school qualifications, who were not previously registered at UP or at another university and did not graduate, may be admitted at the discretion of the Faculty's Admissions Committee, based on the candidate's Grade 12 results or complete university academic record and certificate of conduct. Candidates transferring from other universities must obtain at least 50% of the credits required for the LLB degree at the University of Pretoria and must be registered at the University of Pretoria for at least two years before an LLB degree may be awarded by the University of Pretoria.

Candidates who have registered for the BA (Law) or BCom (Law) programme at UP, have not graduated, and wish to transfer to the LLB programme may be considered by the Faculty's Admissions Committee based on the candidate's academic merit, including factors such as the candidate's final Grade 12 results, the candidate's grade point average, and the reasons provided by the candidate for applying to transfer to the LLB before first completing the BA (Law) or BCom (Law) degree.

Candidates who have previously been registered at another South African university for the LLB, BA (Law) or BCom (Law), with South African school qualifications or Cambridge school qualifications (South African candidates), who have not graduated, and who wish to transfer to the LLB degree at UP may be admitted on application at year level 1, 2 or 3 of the LLB, depending on the law modules passed, at the discretion of the Faculty's Admissions Committee, based on the candidate's Grade 12 results and complete university academic record and certificate of conduct. Candidates who have studied at UP, discontinued their studies, and want to be readmitted to the LLB may be admitted subject to conditions set by the Faculty's Admissions Committee.

Transferring students who graduated (Closing date: 30 September)

Candidates who have previously been registered at UP or another university and who have graduated (excluding BA (Law) and BCom (Law) graduates) may be admitted at year level 1 of the LLB, if there are places available, at the discretion of the Faculty's Admissions Committee, based on the candidate's Grade 12 results and complete university academic record and final certificate of conduct.

Candidates who have been awarded a BA (Law) or BCom (Law) degree by any South African university, including UP, may be admitted on application, at the discretion of the Faculty's Admissions Committee, based on the candidate's Grade 12 results and complete university academic record and certificate of conduct. Students transferring from other universities may be admitted at year level 3 of the LLB.

UP students may be admitted at year level 1 of the 04130010— LLB after BCom (Law) and 04130011—LLB after BA (Law) programmes. UP BA (Law) and BCom (Law) graduates are guaranteed placement in the LLB programme if they completed the BA (Law) or BCom (Law) programme in 3 or 4 years.

Non-South African qualifications (The closing date for applications for admission is 31 August)

Non-South African citizens and South African citizens with foreign qualifications must comply with all the admission requirements and the prerequisites for subjects/modules. *(All such applications are submitted to the Admissions Committee of the Faculty for consideration.)*

Only a limited number of non-South African candidates are admitted to undergraduate studies in the Faculty. In addition to meeting the admission requirements, admission is based on the performance in the **TOEFL, IELTS or SAT**, if required, in competition with other candidates who also comply with the admission requirements.

- **Non-South African citizens** *(even if they or their parents have permanent residence or valid work permits in South Africa)*
- Citizens of SADC-countries with non-South African qualifications
- Citizens of other countries with non-South African qualifications
- **South African citizens and diplomats**

It may be expected of South African citizens as well as diplomats and the children of diplomats with non-South African qualifications to write the **IELTS, TOEFL or SAT** so that their suitability for admission to the Faculty can be determined.

Candidates must have completed the National Senior Certificate with admission to degree studies or a certificate of complete exemption on the basis of a candidate's non-South African ('foreign') qualifications, the so-called "Immigrant" or 'Foreign Complete Exemption'. The only condition for the 'Foreign Complete Exemption' that is accepted is 'completion of the degree course.' The exemption certificate is obtainable from Universities South Africa (USAf). Detailed information is available on the website at click here.

Minimum requirements
Achievement level

English Home Language or English First Additional Language		**APS**
NSC/IEB	AS Level	
5	C	**32**

* Candidates that fulfil the requirements for admission as set out in this brochure will be conditionally accepted on a **first-come-first-served basis** until 30 September, **subject to the availability of places**. However, as applications already open on 1 March and spaces are limited candidates are **urged to apply as early as possible in the year**.

* *Cambridge A-level candidates who obtained at least a D in the required subjects, will be considered for admission.

* *International Baccalaureate (IB) HL candidates who obtained at least a 4 in the required subjects, will be considered for admission.

Other programme-specific information

The Dean determines which elective modules will be presented each year, taking into consideration the availability of lecturing personnel, space and financial implications and/or other circumstances. The Dean may determine the maximum number of registrations for a specific elective module. The Dean may, on recommendation of the relevant head of department, determine that a particular fourth-year elective module will not be offered where on the first day of lectures nine or fewer students are registered for the module.

A student may only register for a final-year elective module in the LLB if the student qualifies as a finalist for that year of study. Students who are not finalists may only enrol for a final-year elective where, upon written application, the Dean of the Faculty of Law allows such a registration based on the student's academic record and circumstances.

The Dean has the discretion to credit any other legal module of equal standard passed at another institution as an elective.

The following aspects should be kept in mind:

- Students have to familiarise themselves with the prerequisites for modules from other faculties.
- The modules must fit in on the timetable.
- Number limits of some modules.

The Dean has the discretion to also credit any other legal module of equal standard presented at the University of Pretoria as an elective on an ad hoc basis where this module is not provided for in the current LLB offering,

subject to prior approval of the Dean.

Advisory note: Students who intend to pursue an LLB degree must note that to obtain the LLB degree they will be required to obtain at least 24 credits from the following list of language modules: ENG 118, ENG 110, ENG 120.

Elective modules for fourth year of study:

4 modules selected from the following list:

- Law and transformation 410 (AMR 410)
- Alternative dispute resolution 420 (AGF 420)
- Child law 410 (KID 410)
- Deeds and notarial practice 410 (ANO 410) [prerequisite: SAR 310]
- Education law 420 (ONR 420)
- Environmental law 410 (OMR 410)
- Information and communications technology law 420 (KUB 420)
- International elective module 1 (IET 411)
- International elective module 2 (IET 412)
- International elective module 3 (IET 413)
- International elective module 4 (IET 414)
- International humanitarian law 420 (PUR 420)
- Jurisprudence 420 (JUR 420)
- Land and land reform law 420 (GHR 420)
- Law and the community 420 (CLW 420)
- Law of banking and financial institutions 410 (LBF 410)
- Law of damages 410 (SGR 410)
- Law of securities 410 (LOC 410)
- Legal problems of HIV and Aids 410 (RHV 410)
- Media law 420 (MDR 420)
- Medical law 410 (GRG 410)
- Moot Court 420 (SKH 420)(students representing UP in the African Human Rights Moot Court Competition or in the Phillip Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition)
- Municipal law 410 (MRG 410)
- Practical law 400 (PRR 400)(see # below) (20 credits; 2 electives)
- Private international law 410 (IPR 410)
- Social security law 420 (SOR 420)
- Sports law 420 (SRR 420)
- Statutory crimes 410 (SMI 410)
- Tax practice 420 (BLP 420)
- Transnational business law 420 (TBR 420)
- Trusts and estates 410 (TBS 410)

Practical law 400
The number of students who may be admitted to the module Practical law (PRR 400) is predetermined by the Dean, in consultation with the Head of the Department of Procedural Law.
Prospective students must apply for admission to the module.
Should more students apply for admission to the module than can be accepted, a selection process will take place on the basis of a student's previous performance and an interview with the Director of the Law Clinic.
Students are promoted on the basis of tests, satisfactory execution of assignments, sessions in the Law Clinic and an oral examination.

Practical law (PRR 400) counts 20 credits and counts as two electives.
Certain modules are only applicable to exchange students.

General requirements

1. Repeating of modules and maximum number of modules per year

- Students who fail modules must repeat the modules in the following year.
- Students will, however, not be allowed to take more than 150 credits per year. (This will mean that in certain instances students will not be allowed to take all the modules required for a specific year as the outstanding modules must first be repeated and passed.) The Dean may, however, exercise discretion to grant exemption from this provision.
- Upon registration for a specific year of study, a student must first register for all modules still outstanding from the curriculum of previous study years, before the student may register for modules from the curriculum of the current or later years of study.
- BA (Law) and BCom (Law) students who register concurrently for the LLB must adhere to their primary faculty's rules regarding concurrent registration.
- It is the student's responsibility to choose modules that will not lead to class, test or examination timetable clashes

2. Credit for modules

Students transferring from another university can only obtain credit for at the most 50% of the modules needed for the degree and must complete at least 50% of the modules at the University of Pretoria.

Dean's merit list

The Student Administration office publishes the Dean's merit list by March of every calendar year. The list contains the student numbers, in chronological sequence, of those students who achieved a weighted average (ie in accordance with the credit value of each module) of at least 75% in the preceding calendar year.

The weighted average is calculated as follows: The final mark obtained for each module for which the student registered in the preceding calendar year is multiplied by the credit value for that particular module. The sum of the values so obtained for each module are added together and divided by the total of the credit values of all modules for which the student registered in the preceding calendar year. The average so calculated is not rounded off.

A student who failed module(s) or who failed to gain entrance to the exam in the module(s) in a given calendar year may not appear on the Dean's merit list for that calendar year. A student who registered for less than nine modules in a calendar year may not appear on the Dean's merit list for that calendar year. Modules passed at other universities are not considered in calculating the weighted average.

Examinations and pass requirements

Please consult the Examination and Test policy as contained in the Faculty Regulations.

Promotion to next study year

(According to Regulation G.3 the Faculty Board may set promotion requirements which students must adhere to before they will be promoted.)

1. A student must pass modules to the value of 60 credits in order to be promoted to the next year of study. A student who passed fewer than 4 semester modules will not be readmitted to the Faculty of Law. (BA (Law) and BCom (Law) students who register concurrently for the LLB will not be readmitted to the Faculty of Law if they pass less than 50% of the LLB modules.) A student, who has forfeited readmission to the Faculty, may

apply in writing to the Admissions Committee of the Faculty for conditional readmission to the Faculty – with the proviso that the Admissions Committee may stipulate further requirements for progress. A student's application for conditional readmission to the Faculty may be refused. A student who registered concurrently for the LLB and who is dismissed at the primary faculty will not be allowed to register for the LLB either.

2. A student who has been conditionally readmitted to the Faculty will have his/her studies monitored after the first-semester examination in order to determine whether such student has met the set conditions.
3. Re-registration will only be permitted if a student is capable of completing the degree in the prescribed minimum period of 4 years plus a further 2 years according to the opinion of the Admissions Committee.
4. For BA (Law) and BCom (Law) students who register concurrently with the LLB or continue with the LLB after graduating with the BA (Law) or BCom (Law), re-registration will be permitted if the student is capable of completing the LLB in a further 2 years of study, after taking into account the number of years it took the student to complete the BA (Law) or BCom (Law), and the student's academic record. An additional year may be granted by the Admissions Committee.

Pass with distinction

For the 4-year LLB degree to be awarded with distinction, a student must obtain a grade point average (ie in accordance with the credit value of each module) of at least 75% in respect of all the modules prescribed for the third and fourth years of the LLB degree, completed at this University. The grade point average is calculated as follows: The final mark obtained for each third- and fourth-year module prescribed for the LLB degree, including the electives, is multiplied by the credit value of that particular module. The sum of these values are added together and divided by the total of the credit values of all prescribed third- and fourth-year LLB modules. The average so calculated is not rounded off. A student who failed a third- or fourth-year LLB module, including any of the electives, may not be awarded the degree with distinction.

BA (Law) graduates

For the LLB degree to be awarded with distinction to a BA (Law) (UP) graduate, a student must obtain a grade point average (ie in accordance with the credit value of each module) of at least 75% in respect of the following modules completed at this University:

RPK 210 and 220
VBB 220
BLR 310
BWR 310 and 320
IGZ 320
ISR 310
ODR 320
PBL 310 and 320
SAR 310
VHD 320
ABR 410
PBL 410 and 420
PVR 420
SIP 412 and 421
ESS 400
SPR 411 and 421
Four final-year electives

The grade point average is calculated as follows: The final mark obtained for each of the modules listed above, including the electives, is multiplied by the credit value of that particular module. The sum of these values are added together and divided by the total of the credit values of the modules listed above. The average so calculated is not rounded off. A BA (Law) (UP) graduate who failed any of the modules listed above, including any of the electives, may not be awarded the LLB degree with distinction.

BCom (Law) graduates

For the LLB degree to be awarded with distinction to a BCom (Law) (UP) graduate, a student must obtain a grade point average (ie in accordance with the credit value of each module) of at least 75% in respect of the following modules completed at this University:

FMR 121
PBL 200
RPK 210 and 220
RPR 210
RVW 210
BLR 310
BWR 310 and 320
IGZ 320
JUR 310
PBL 310 and 320
ABR 410
PBL 410 and 420
PVR 420
SIP 412 and 421
ESS 400
SPR 411 and 421
Four final-year electives

The grade point average is calculated as follows: The final mark obtained for each of the modules listed above, including the electives, is multiplied by the credit value of that particular module. The sum of these values are added together and divided by the total of the credit values of the modules listed above. The average so calculated is not rounded off. A BCom (Law) (UP) graduate who failed any of the modules listed above, including any of the electives, may not be awarded the LLB degree with distinction.

Curriculum: Year 1

Minimum credits: 121

Fundamental credits: 38
Core credits: 59
Elective credits: 24

- Select only two of the ENG modules
- Select two electives from the below mentioned list
- If FRK is selected as electives, INF 183 has to be selected as well

Fundamental modules

Academic information management 111 (AIM 111) - Credits: 4.00
Academic information management 121 (AIM 121) - Credits: 4.00
Jurisprudence 110 (JUR 110) - Credits: 15.00
Jurisprudence 120 (JUR 120) - Credits: 15.00
Academic orientation 104 (UPO 104) - Credits: 0.00

Core modules

English 110 (ENG 110) - Credits: 12.00
English for specific purposes 118 (ENG 118) - Credits: 12.00
English 120 (ENG 120) - Credits: 12.00
Family law 121 (FMR 121) - Credits: 15.00
Law of persons 110 (PSR 110) - Credits: 10.00
Roman law 120 (ROM 120) - Credits: 10.00

Elective modules

Afrikaans 110 (AFR 110) - Credits: 12.00
Afrikaans 114 (AFR 114) - Credits: 12.00
Afrikaans 120 (AFR 120) - Credits: 12.00
Philosophy 110 (FIL 110) - Credits: 12.00
Philosophy 120 (FIL 120) - Credits: 12.00
Financial accounting 111 (FRK 111) - Credits: 10.00
Financial accounting 122 (FRK 122) - Credits: 12.00
History 110 (GES 110) - Credits: 12.00
History 120 (GES 120) - Credits: 12.00
Informatics 183 (INF 183) - Credits: 3.00
Criminology 110 (KRM 110) - Credits: 12.00
Criminology 120 (KRM 120) - Credits: 12.00
Sociology 110 (SOC 110) - Credits: 12.00
Sociology 120 (SOC 120) - Credits: 12.00

Curriculum: Year 2

Minimum credits: 120

Core modules

Law of succession 222 (ERF 222) - Credits: 15.00
Specific contracts 220 (KTH 220) - Credits: 15.00
Law of contract 211 (KTR 211) - Credits: 15.00
Public Law 210 (PBL 210) - Credits: 10.00
Public Law 220 (PBL 220) - Credits: 10.00
Legal practice 210 (RPK 210) - Credits: 10.00
Legal practice 220 (RPK 220) - Credits: 10.00
Legal pluralism 210 (RPR 210) - Credits: 10.00
Legal interpretation 210 (RVW 210) - Credits: 10.00
Consumer protection 220 (VBB 220) - Credits: 15.00

Curriculum: Year 3

Minimum credits: 127

Core modules

Tax law 310 (BLR 310) - Credits: 10.00
Law of evidence 310 (BWR 310) - Credits: 8.00
Law of evidence 320 (BWR 320) - Credits: 7.00
Law of delict 320 (DLR 320) - Credits: 15.00
Intellectual property law 320 (IGZ 320) - Credits: 10.00
Insolvency law 310 (ISR 310) - Credits: 10.00
Jurisprudence 310 (JUR 310) - Credits: 10.00
Entrepreneurial law 320 (ODR 320) - Credits: 12.00
Public law 310 (PBL 310) - Credits: 10.00
Public law 320 (PBL 320) - Credits: 10.00
Research methodology 320 (RHP 320) - Credits: 5.00
Law of things 310 (SAR 310) - Credits: 15.00
Payment methods 320 (VHD 320) - Credits: 10.00

Curriculum: Final year

Minimum credits: 140

Select 4 electives to the value of 40 credits.

Core modules

Labour law 410 (ABR 410) - Credits: 10.00
Essay and seminar 400 (ESS 400) - Credits: 25.00
Public law 410 (PBL 410) - Credits: 10.00
Public law 420 (PBL 420) - Credits: 10.00
Private law 420 (PVR 420) - Credits: 10.00
Civil procedure law 412 (SIP 412) - Credits: 8.00
Civil procedure law 421 (SIP 421) - Credits: 7.00
Criminal procedure law 411 (SPR 411) - Credits: 8.00
Criminal procedure law 421 (SPR 421) - Credits: 7.00

Elective modules

Law and transformation 410 (AMR 410) - Credits: 10.00
Deeds and notarial practice 410 (ANO 410) - Credits: 10.00
Tax practice 420 (BLP 420) - Credits: 10.00
Law and the community 420 (CLW 420) - Credits: 10.00
Construction and engineering law 420 (CNL 420) - Credits: 10.00
Extractive industry law 420 (EIL 420) - Credits: 10.00
Land and related reform 420 (GHR 420) - Credits: 10.00
Medical law 410 (GRG 410) - Credits: 10.00
Private international law 410 (IPR 410) - Credits: 10.00
Capita selecta of insurance law 420 (ISL 420) - Credits: 10.00
Jurisprudence 420 (JUR 420) - Credits: 10.00
Child law 410 (KID 410) - Credits: 10.00
Information and communications technology law 420 (KUB 420) - Credits: 10.00
Law of banking and financial institutions 410 (LBF 410) - Credits: 10.00
Media law 420 (MDR 420) - Credits: 10.00
Municipal law 410 (MRG 410) - Credits: 10.00
Environmental law 410 (OMR 410) - Credits: 10.00
Education law 420 (ONR 420) - Credits: 10.00
Legal problems of HIV and AIDS 410 (RHV 410) - Credits: 10.00
Law of competition 420 (SCL 420) - Credits: 10.00
Law of damages 410 (SGR 410) - Credits: 10.00
Statutory crimes 410 (SMI 410) - Credits: 10.00
Social security law 420 (SOR 420) - Credits: 10.00
Sports law 420 (SRR 420) - Credits: 10.00
Transnational business law 420 (TBR 420) - Credits: 10.00
Trusts and estates 410 (TBS 410) - Credits: 10.00

The information published here is subject to change and may be amended after the publication of this information. The General Regulations (G Regulations) apply to all faculties of the University of Pretoria. It is expected of students to familiarise themselves well with these regulations as well as with the information contained in the General Rules section. Ignorance concerning these regulations and rules will not be accepted as an excuse for any transgression.