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Faculty of Law

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How to choose between a BA (Law), BCom (Law) and straightforward four-year LLB degree?

Many prospective law students are unsure which degree option to pursue. Well, wonder no more!

Here you will find a comprehensive explanation of the three degree routes, eventual admission as an attorney or advocate and the career opportunities in the legal profession with an LLB degree behind your name.

Remember that your career options will be limited if you do not proceed with an LLB after completing your BA (Law) or BCom (Law) degree.



What's the DIFFERENCE? 3 options

The University of Pretoria offers three possible qualifications to join the legal field:

BA (Law), BCom (Law) and the four-year LLB degree.

A four-year LLB degree, and preferably admission as an attorney or advocate, irrespective of whether you wish to practice one day as an attorney or advocate, is the minimum requirement to secure professional employment and advance in the workplace. If you choose the BA (Law) LLB or BCom (Law) LLB route, you can obtain two degrees in five years.

NB. No specialisation during any of the three options, except for a few electives in the final-year of LLB.



Explanation of the 3 degrees

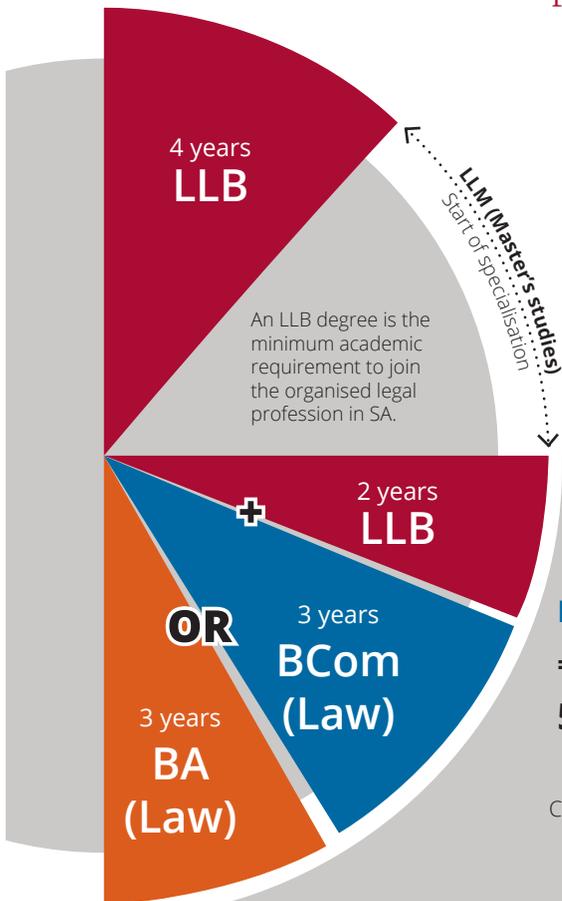
Choose the degree that suits your needs!

If you have a strong interest in languages and social sciences or commercial and economic disciplines and you would like to eventually practice law in one of these fields, it is a good idea to enroll first for BA (Law) or BCom (Law). Choose wisely, as if your future depends on it.

Because it does!

**BCom (Law) / BA (Law)
= 3 years + LLB (2 years) =
5 YEARS FOR 2 DEGREES**

Combined programmes are more expensive and take longer to complete than the LLB four-year degree programme.



Admission requirements

Faculty of Law
LLB

APS = **32**
English 5
(60–69%)

Faculty of EMS
BCom (Law)

APS = **32**
English 5
(60–69%)
Pure Maths 5
(60–69%)

Faculty of Humanities
BA (Law)

APS = **30**
English 5
(60–69%)

If you would like more information

such as the minimum requirements and career opportunities, do visit the various faculties' websites:

www.up.ac.za/law

www.up.ac.za/ems

www.up.ac.za/hum

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