

**Postgraduate Prospectus 2019**

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## A GLOBAL LAW FACULTY IN AFRICA POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMMES

The Faculty of Law is widely recognized as a leader in the field of postgraduate programmes. The LLM and LLD programmes presented by the Faculty enable students to specialize in their chosen fields by engaging with experts at an advanced level. A postgraduate qualification in law offers appointments for personal and professional growth, and provides a competitive edge in respect of employment and promotion.

Students from South Africa, other parts of Africa and the rest of the world are invited to apply for admission to the postgraduate programmes at the Faculty in Law of the University of Pretoria.

The Faculty of Law at the University of Pretoria offers the following postgraduate programmes:

**Master of Laws (LLM) through coursework**

A vast variety of specialized Masters programmes are offered. These programmes require students to complete at least three taught modules, attend a module in Research Methodology, submit a research proposal and submit a mini- dissertation. Class attendance is compulsory. Class meetings are usually on weekdays from 17:30 - 19:30 and most of the class meetings take place once a week. The duration of the programme is one or two years.

**Master of Laws (LLM) through research**

Students registered for the Master of Laws through research programme are required to (under the auspices of a supervisor):

1. Attend the compulsory 3-day block session in Research Methodology;
2. Write and discuss with an examination panel and submit a final research proposal (before the end of the first year of registration);
3. Write a dissertation based on the final research proposal; and
4. Submit at least one approved (by the supervisor) article to a journal.

**Master of Philosophy (MPhil) through coursework**

Students who do not have a prior qualification in law, but who have at least an honours degree, may apply for any of the MPhil programmes offered by the Faculty of Law. These programmes require students to complete at least three taught modules, attend a module in Research Methodology, submit a research proposal and submit a mini-dissertation. Class attendance is compulsory. Class meetings are usually on weekdays from 17:30 - 19:30 and most of the class meetings take place once a week. The duration of the programme is one or two years.

**Master of Philosophy (MPhil) through research**

Students who do not have a prior qualification in law, but who have at least an honours degree, may apply for the Master of Philosophy through research programme. Students registered for the Master of Philosophy through research programme are required to (under the auspices of a supervisor):

1. Attend the compulsory 3-day block session in Research Methodology;
2. Write and discuss with an examination panel and submit a final research proposal (before the end of the first year of registration);
3. Write a dissertation based on the final research proposal; and
4. Submit at least one approved (by the supervisor) article to a journal.

**Doctor of Laws (LLD)**

Students registered for the Doctor of Laws programme are required to (under the auspices of a supervisor):

1. Attend the compulsory 3-day block session in Research Methodology;
2. Write and discuss with an examination panel and submit a final research proposal (before the end of the first year of registration);
3. Submit a thesis based on the final research proposal; which makes an original contribution to legal science and
4. Submit at least one article to an accredited journal (the supervisor may be a co-author of this article).

**Doctor of Philosophy (DPhil)**

Students registered for the Doctor of Philosophy (DPhil) programme are required to (under the auspices of a supervisor):

1. Attend the compulsory 3-day block session in Research Methodology;
2. Write and discuss with an examination panel and submit a final research proposal (before the end of the first year of registration);
3. Submit a thesis based on the final research proposal; which makes an original contribution to legal science and
4. Submit at least one article to an accredited journal (the supervisor may be a co-author of this article).

# LLM/MPhil Applications

### What LLM coursework programmes will be offered in 2019 and what is the closing date for applications?

The following LLM programmes will be offered in 2019, more information on each programme is provided below:

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| **Department** | **Plan Code** | **Plan Description** | Closing Date | | | |
| **RSA** | | **International** | |
| **LLM's** | | | | | | |
| **Centre for Human**  **Rights** | 04252016 | Multidisciplinary Human Rights | 15 January 2019 | | | |
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|  | 04252025 | Insurance law and governance | 15 January 2019 | | | |
| **Mercantile Law** | 04250103 | Banking Law | 15 January 2019 | | | |
| 04252006 | Mercantile Law | 15 January 2019 | | | |
| 04252011 | Consumer Protection Law | 15 January 2019 | | | |
| 04252012 | Corporate Law | 15 January 2019 | | | |
| 04252007 | Insolvency Law | 15 January 2019 | | | |
| 04252005 | Labour Law | 15 January 2019 | | | |
| 04252015 | Tax Law | 15 January 2019 | | | |
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| **Private Law** | 04252000 | Private Law | 15 January 2019 | | \*Not available | |
| 04252009 | Child Law | 15 January 2019 | | \*Not available | |
| 04252001 | Estate Law | 15 January 2019 | | \*Not available | |
| 04252003 | Intellectual Property | 15 January 2019 | | | |
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| **Procedural Law** | 04252013 | Procedural Law | 15 January 2019 | | \*Not available | |
| **Jurisprudence** | 04250089 | Law and political justice | 15 January 2019 | | \*Not available | |
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| **Public Law** | 04252014 | Constitutional & Admin Law | 15 January 2019 | | | |
| 04252018 | Extractive Industry Law in Africa |  | 31 October 2018 | |  |
| 04252008 | International Law | 15 January 2019 | | | |
| **MPhils** | | | | | | |
| **Centre for Human Rights**  **Rights** | 04251024 | Multidisciplinary Human Rights | 15 January 2019 | | | |
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| **Jurisprudence**  **Rights** | 04251024 | Law and Political Justice | 15 January 2019 | | | |
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| **Public Law** | 04251008 | Environmental Law | 15 January 2019 | | | |
|  | 04251027 | Extractive Industry Policy, Management & Regulation |  | 31 October 2018 | |  |
| **Research (LLM's)** | | | | | | |
| **Research (LLM's)** | 04250003 | LLM Research (100% Thesis) | No closing date | | | |
| **Research (MPhil's)** | | | | | | |
| **Research (MPhil's)** | 04250004 | Mphil Research (100% Thesis) | No closing date | | | |

\*These programmes are not available to students who did not complete their LLB/BProc in South Africa.

LLM/MPhil through research: Entails a research programme on an approved topic in law (please see the full set of documents that need to be submitted)

LLD/PhD: Entails a research programme on an approved topic in law if there is a supervisor in the field of specialisation

### What are the minimum entry requirements for the LLM degree?

* + **A LLB/BProc degree or an equivalent degree from a foreign university that allows entrance to the formal legal profession with a minimum average mark of 65% with respect to the prescribed final-year modules of the LLB/BProc degree.**

**I do not meet the above requirements, should I bother to apply?**

* Yes, candidates who do not meet the minimum entry requirements are encouraged to apply however, it must be borne in mind that it will be the HOD’s/Dean’s discretion to admit you or not.

**How do I apply for the LLM degree and how much is the application fee?**

1. Prospective student who is **NOT currently registered** at the University of Pretoria: All applications must be lodged **online**, there is no paper-based application system:
   * Go to [www.up.ac.za](http://www.up.ac.za/) (Study at UP >> Apply at UP>> Apply at UP)

### The application fee is R300 and is payable directly into the University’s bank account.

1. Prospective student who is **currently registered** at the University of Pretoria:
   * Lodge an internal application on your student portal (Student Centre >> Admissions >> Internal applications) and attach a letter of motivation and CV.

### No application fee is payable.

**Where and how do I pay the application fee?**

* + The application fee may be deposited into university’s bank account
  + Account Name: University of Pretoria

**ABSA** - Account number: 214 000 0054, Hatfield, 632005, Reference: Student number

**Standard Bank** - Account number: 012 602 604, Hatfield, 011545, Reference: Student number

### I have paid the application fee but I am told that my applications was unsuccessful, can I be reimbursed?

* The application fee is a non-refundable handling fee and has no bearing on whether an applicant gets admitted or not.

### I am lodging my application online but I am experiencing technical difficulties when I try to submit the application and/or supporting documents?

* If you experience any technical difficulties, please contact the Student Service Centre at 012 420 3111 or [csc@up.ac.za](mailto:csc@up.ac.za) or contact Ms Erna Esterhuizen at 012 420 5143 or [erna.esterhuizen@up.ac.za](mailto:erna.esterhuizen@up.ac.za)

**Applicants must submit all of the following documents for LLM Coursework**

* + - The complete University of Pretoria application form.
    - To obtain the on-line application go to: [www.up.ac.za/](http://www.up.ac.za/)online-application
    - By contacting the Client Service Centre at [csc@up.ac.za](mailto:csc@up.ac.za) or 012 420 3111 if applicants experience problems with the links above, please contact the Client Service Centre at [csc.up.ac.za](http://www.up.ac.za/) or telephone number (012) 420 311 or contact Mrs Erna Esterhuizen at [erna.esterhuizen@up.ac.za](mailto:erna.esterhuizen@up.ac.za) or telephone number (012) 420 5143.
    - Proof of payment: Application fee.
    - A certified copy of the relevant degree certificate
    - Transcript or academic record
    - Updated Curriculum Vitae.
    - Valid ID and/or passport
    - A motivation letter written by the prospective student for each programme applied for (why do you wish to register for this particular programme)
    - An acceptable level of proficiency in English is required from a TOEFL or IELTS test results.

## In the case of a student who holds foreign qualification i.e an LLB/Proc or equivalent degree completed outside South Africa; all of the above documents are required plus a SAQA certificate. For more information, go to www.saqa.org.za

Only complete applications are considered. Incomplete applications will be set aside and revisited when all required documents have been received.

### How will I know whether I have been admitted or not?

* A system generated acknowledgement of application will be sent to you which contains your student number. The student number can be used to access the Student portal. It is important that you visit the online UP Portal (MyTUKS login) regularly to track your admission status as well as to see all relevant letters under the "Communications" tab.

### NB: You will not receive a letter in your post box, or an e-mail or SMS informing you of the outcome of your application.

To visit the Student Centre, go to [**www.up.ac.za**](http://www.up.ac.za/) and click on **MyTUKS login** where you will be prompted for a username and password.

**New applicants** should click on the **"New User"** link under the username and password fields. The link will prompt the user for a username and either a South African national ID number or a passport number (in the case of non-South Africans). This should be entered under the student number (starting with a "u"). The portal will then lead the user through the process of creating a new password for future use. Please wait 48 hours after the receipt of this letter before accessing the MyTuks login as your student number needs to be activated during this period. Once this period has lapsed you may use your **student number (e.g. u12345678)** and new password to access the system.

**Users of the website who were UP students before** and who have previously accessed the portal can sign in with their existing username and password.

### What is the difference between a LLM Coursework and a LLM Research?

* The LLM coursework is a combination of coursework /modular work (100 credits) and a mini-dissertation (13 000 – 15 000 words/100 credits). The LLM research is an approved research project with a full dissertation (40 000 – 50 000 words/200 credits).

### When does the academic year commence?

* The academic year commences at the beginning of January and ends at the end of December?

### Does the University of Pretoria offer any bursaries or scholarships?

* Yes, for more information please go to <http://www.up.ac.za/fees-and-funding>.

### Does the University of Pretoria offer accommodation?

* Yes, for more information please go to <http://www.up.ac.za/student-accommodation>.

## Enquiries

For more information you can contact :

Private Law and Procedureal Law -Andrew Bosega ([Andrew.bosega@up.ac.za](mailto:Andrew.bosega@up.ac.za))

Public Law -Klaas Ntuli ([klaas.ntuli@up.ac.za](mailto:klaas.ntuli@up.ac.za))

Mercantile Law -Thembisa Dodo ([thembisa.dodo@up.ac.za](mailto:thembisa.dodo@up.ac.za))

Multidisciplinary Human Rights -Melissa Erasmus ([Melissa.erasmus@up.ac.za](mailto:Melissa.erasmus@up.ac.za))

Jurisprudence / LLM/MPhil Research -Helen van Tonder ([Helen.vantonder@up.ac.za](mailto:Helen.vantonder@up.ac.za))

LLD/Phd -Rina Deetlefs ([rina.deetlefs@up.ac.za](mailto:rina.deetlefs@up.ac.za))

Coursework programmes offered in the various departments for 2019

### What are the minimum entry requirements for the LLM Coursework degree?

## CENTRE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS

* 1. **LLM Multidisciplinary Human Rights**
* An LLB/Proc degree or an equivalent degree from a foreign University that allows entrance to the formal legal profession.
* Foreign qualifications are subject to SAQA.
* A minimum average mark of 65% with respect to the prescribed final-year modules of the LLB/Proc degree.
* An acceptable level of proficiency in English is required.
  1. **LLM Human rights and democratisation in Africa**
* An LLB/BProc degree or an equivalent degree from a foreign university that allows entrance to the formal legal profession.
* Foreign qualifications are subject to SAQA evaluation.
* A minimum average mark of 65% with respect to the prescribed final-year modules of the LLB/BProc degree.
* An acceptable level of proficiency in English is required. The maximum number of students admitted for this course is 25 per annum.

**In addition to the general admission requirements, the following specific selection criteria are used in combination to select the eligible students:**

* + - A demonstrated professional, academic and personal interest in and commitment to human rights and democratisation in Africa;
    - An indication that the applicant would be likely to put the qualification to good use in his or her future career, preferably in his or her country of origin;
    - Geographic representation;
    - Gender representation;
    - Equitable representation of persons from vulnerable communities (such as persons with disabilities, persons belonging to indigenous communities and LGBTI persons).
    - All complete applications are processed and considered by the LLM/MPhil Programme Manager and the Academic Coordinator of the Programme, who identify a number of eligible candidates approximately three times the available positions.  Each of these applicants is then contacted and required to write an essay within a restricted time period of being given the topic. The Academic Coordinator assesses these essays.  On the basis of all the assessments, including the essay, the Chair of the Council of Directors of the LLM Programme, who is a representative of one of the partner faculties, scrutinises the applications and makes a recommendation on the pre-selected students.  A final selection is made by the full Admissions Committee, consisting of the Chair of the Council of Directors of the LLM/MPhil Programme (if available), the Director of the Centre for Human Rights, the Assistant Director of the Centre for Human Rights, the LLM/MPhil Programme Manager and the Academic Coordinator, Centre for Human Rights.
  1. **LLM Sexual and reproductive rights in Africa**
* A LLB/BProc degree or an equivalent degree from a foreign university that allows entrance to the formal legal profession.
* Foreign qualifications are subject to SAQA evaluation.
* A minimum average mark of 65% with respect to the prescribed final-year modules of the LLB/BProc degree.
* An acceptable level of proficiency in English is required.
* The maximum number of students admitted for this course is 15 per annum.
* In addition to the general admission requirements, the following specific selection criteria are used in combination to select the eligible students: geographic representation; gender representation; and equitable representation of persons from vulnerable communities (such as persons with disabilities, persons belonging to indigenous communities and LGBTI persons).
* Applicants may be required to write an essay within a restricted time period of being given the topic, which is assessed and taken into account in the admission process.
  1. **LLM Disability rights in Africa**
* An LLB/BProc degree or an equivalent degree from a foreign university that allows entrance to the formal legal profession.
* Foreign qualifications are subject to SAQA evaluation.
* A minimum average mark of 65% with respect to the prescribed final-year modules of the LLB/BProc degree.
* An acceptable level of proficiency in English is required.
* The maximum number of students admitted for this course is 15 per annum.
* In addition to the general admission requirements, the following specific selection criteria are used in combination to select the eligible students: geographic representation; gender representation; and equitable representation of persons from vulnerable communities (such as persons with disabilities, persons belonging to indigenous communities and LGBTI persons).
* Applicants may be required to write an essay within a restricted time period of being given the topic, which is assessed and taken into account in the admission process.

## LLM International trade and investment law in Africa

* An LLB/BProc degree or an equivalent degree from a foreign university that allows entrance to the formal legal profession. Foreign qualifications are subject to SAQA evaluation.
* A minimum average mark of 65% with respect to the prescribed final-year modules of the LLB/BProc degree.
* An acceptable level of proficiency in English is required.
* The maximum number of students admitted for this course is 30 per annum.
* This programme is not presented in 2020, but again in 2021.

**2. DEPARTMENT OF JURISPRUDENCE**

**2.1 LLM Law and political justice**

* An LLB/BProc degree or an equivalent degree from a foreign university that allows entrance to the formal legal profession.
* A minimum average mark of 65% with respect to the prescribed final-year modules of the LLB/BProc.
* An acceptable level of proficiency in English is required

## 3. DEPARTMENT OF MERCANTILE LAW

**3.1** **LLM Mercantile law**

* An LLB/BProc degree or an equivalent degree from a foreign university that allows entrance to the formal legal profession.
* A minimum average mark of 65% with respect to the prescribed final-year modules of the LLB/BProc degree.
* An acceptable level of proficiency in English is required.
* The maximum number of students admitted for this course is 60 per annum.

**3.2 LLM Banking law**

* An LLB/BProc degree or an equivalent degree from a foreign university that allows entrance to the formal legal profession.
* A minimum average mark of 65% with respect to the prescribed final-year modules of the LLB/BProc degree.
* An acceptable level of proficiency in English is required.
* The maximum number of students admitted for this course is 15 per annum.

**3.3** **LLM Consumer protection law**

* An LLB/BProc degree or an equivalent degree from a foreign university that allows entrance to the formal legal profession.
* A minimum average mark of 65% with respect to the prescribed final-year modules of the LLB/BProc degree.
* An acceptable level of proficiency in English is required.
* The maximum number of students admitted for this course is 20 per annum.
  1. **LLM Corporate law**
* A LLB/BProc degree or an equivalent degree from a foreign university that allows entrance to the formal legal profession.
* A minimum average mark of 65% with respect to the prescribed final-year modules of the LLB/BProc degree.
* An acceptable level of proficiency in English is required.
* Students may be required to write an admission test when the demand for this programme is high.
* The maximum number of students admitted for this course is 20 per annum.

**3.5 LLM Insolvency law**

* An LLB/BProc degree or an equivalent degree from a foreign university that allows entrance to the formal legal profession.
* A minimum average mark of 65% with respect to the prescribed final-year modules of the LLB/BProc degree.
* An acceptable level of proficiency in English is required.
* The maximum number of students admitted for this course is 20 per annum.
  1. **LLM Insurance law and governance**
* An LLB/BProc degree or an equivalent degree from a foreign university that allows entrance to the formal legal profession.
* A minimum average mark of 65% with respect to the prescribed final-year modules of the LLB/BProc degree.
* An acceptable level of proficiency in English is required.
* Foreign qualifications are subject to SAQA evaluation.
* The maximum number of students admitted for this course is 20 per annum.

**3.7** **LLM Labour law**

* An LLB/BProc degree or an equivalent degree from a foreign university that allows entrance to the formal legal profession.
* A minimum average mark of 65% with respect to the prescribed final-year modules of the LLB/BProc degree.
* An acceptable level of proficiency in English is required.
* The maximum number of students admitted for this course is 15 per annum.

## LLM Tax law

* An LLB/BProc degree or an equivalent degree from a foreign university that allows entrance to the formal legal profession.
* A minimum average mark of 65% with respect to the prescribed final-year modules of the LLB/BProc degree.
* An acceptable level of proficiency in English is required.
* Students may be required to write an admission test when the demand for this programme is high.
* The maximum number of students admitted for this course is 20 per annum.

## DEPARTMENT OF PRIVATE LAW

* 1. **LLM Private Law**
* An LLB/BProc degree or an equivalent degree from a foreign university that allows entrance to the formal legal profession.
* A minimum average mark of 65% with respect to the prescribed final-year modules of the LLB/BProc degree.
* An acceptable level of proficiency in English is required.

**4.2** **LLM Child law**

* An LLB/BProc degree or an equivalent degree from a foreign university that allows entrance to the formal legal profession.
* A minimum average mark of 65% with respect to the prescribed final-year modules of the LLB/BProc degree.
* An acceptable level of proficiency in English is required.
  1. **LLM Estate law**
* An LLB/BProc degree or an equivalent degree from a foreign university that allows entrance to the formal legal profession.
* A minimum average mark of 65% with respect to the prescribed final-year modules of the LLB/BProc degree.
* An acceptable level of proficiency in English is required.
  1. **LLM Intellectual Property Law**
* An LLB/BProc degree or an equivalent degree from a foreign university that allows entrance to the formal legal profession.
* A minimum average mark of 65% with respect to the prescribed final-year modules of the LLB/BProc degree.
* An acceptable level of proficiency in English is required.
  1. **LLM Law of contract**
* An LLB/BProc degree or an equivalent degree from a foreign university that allows entrance to the formal legal profession.
* A minimum average mark of 65% with respect to the prescribed final-year modules of the LLB/BProc degree.
* An acceptable level of proficiency in English is required.

## 5. DEPARTMENT OF PROCEDURAL LAW

**5.1** **LLM Procedural law**

* An LLB/BProc degree or an equivalent degree from a foreign university that allows entrance to the formal legal profession.
* A minimum average mark of 65% with respect to the prescribed final-year modules of the LLB/BProc degree.
* An acceptable level of proficiency in English is required.

## 6. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC LAW

**6.1 LLM** **Constitutional and administrative law**

* A LLB/BProc degree or an equivalent degree from a foreign university that allows entrance to the formal legal profession.
* A minimum average mark of 65% with respect to the prescribed final-year modules of the LLB/BProc degree.
* An acceptable level of proficiency in English is required.
  1. **LLM Extractive industry law in Africa**

* An LLB/BProc degree or an equivalent degree from a foreign university that allows entrance to the formal legal profession.
* A minimum average mark of 65% with respect to the prescribed final-year modules of the LLB/BProc degree.
* An acceptable level of proficiency in English is required.
* Applicants must submit cover letter motivating: (a) The desire to study in the field; and ()b) Indicate previous experience in the field, if any; and (c) How the degree will be applied to contribute to sustainable development in Africa.
* The maximum number of students admitted for this course is 15 per annum.

## LLM International law

* An LLB/BProc degree or an equivalent degree from a foreign university that allows entrance to the formal legal profession.
* A minimum average mark of 65% with respect to the prescribed final-year modules of the LLB/BProc degree.
* An acceptable level of proficiency in English is required.

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| **LLM**  **Option: Disability rights in Africa (04252024) Academic Programme: LM101**  Coordinator: Dr Ilze Grobbelaar-du Plessis, tel 012 420 3752, email: [ilze.grobbelaar@up.ac.za](mailto:ilze.grobbelaar@up.ac.za)  and Ms Innocentia Mgijima, tel 012 420 6398, email: [innocentia.mgijima@up.ac.za](mailto:innocentia.mgijima@up.ac.za)  Closing date for applications: 30 June  ***(Programme may be taken by international students)*** | | |
|  | **Module code** | **Credits** |
| Research methodology for human rights | NRM 801 | 5 |
| Research proposal | RHP 803 | 5 |
| Mini-dissertation (13 000-15 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography) [prerequisites: NRM 801 and RHP 803] | MND 800 | 100 |
| Principles of international human rights law | DRL 801 | 10 |
| Principles of social science | DRL 802 | 5 |
| Protection of persons with disabilities in a global context | DRL 803 | 25 |
| African regional disability rights protection | DRL 804 | 25 |
| Contemporary challenges in disability law, policy and practice in Africa | DRL 805 | 25 |

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| **LLM**  **Option: Human rights and democratisation in Africa (04252020) Academic Programme: LM104**  Coordinator: Prof Magnus Killander, tel 012 420 5407, email: [magnus.killander@up.ac.za](mailto:magnus.killander@up.ac.za)  Closing date for applications: 30 June  ***(Programme may be taken by international students)*** | | |
|  | **Module code** | **Credits** |
| Research methodology for human rights | NRM 801 | 5 |
| Research proposal | RHP 803 | 5 |
| Mini-dissertation (18 000-20 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography) [prerequisites: NRM 801 and RHP 803] | MND 802 | 125 |
| Accredited course in human rights | ACH 802 | 20 |
| Applied human rights | AHR 801 | 15 |
| Democratisation in Africa | DIA 801 | 20 |
| Human rights in Africa | HRA 801 | 20 |
| International and comparative human rights | ICH 801 | 20 |
| Introduction to the SA legal system and Bill of Rights | RVM 801 | 20 |
| This is a selection programme and only selected applicants will be admitted to the programme.  Duration: A minimum of 1 year full-time. | | |

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| **LLM**  **Option: International trade and investment law in Africa (04252022) Academic Programme: LM104**  **(Will not be offered in 2020)**  Coordinator: Prof D Bradlow, [danny.bradlow@up.ac.za](mailto:danny.bradlow@up.ac.za) Tel nr.: 012 420 6202 and Dr A Oyeniyi, [oo.abe@up.ac.za](mailto:oo.abe@up.ac.za), tel 012 420 6200  Closing date for applications: 30 June **(*Programme may be taken international students)***  ***(Programme may be taken by international students)*** | | |
|  | **Module code** | **Credits** |
| Research Methodology | RHP 801 | 5 |
| Research Proposal | RHP 803 | 5 |
| Mini-dissertation [prerequisite RHP 801 and RHP 803] (MND 803: 23 000 to 25 000 words) | MND 803 | 130 |
| Advanced International Investment and Business Law | GTB 802 | 30 |
| Advanced International Trade Law | GIH 802 | 30 |

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| **LLM**  **Option: Multidisciplinary human rights (04252016) Academic Programme: LM101**  Coordinator: Prof Michelo Hansungule, tel 012 420 4532 or Prof F Viljoen, tel 012 420 3810, email: [michelo.hansungule@up.ac.za](mailto:michelo.hansungule@up.ac.za) or [frans.viljoen@up.ac.za](mailto:frans.viljoen@up.ac.za)  Closing date for applications: SA applicants – 30 November; non-SA applicants – 31 Aug  ***(Programme may be taken by international students)*** | | |
|  | **Module code** | **Credits** |
| Research methodology | RHP 801 | 5 |
| Research proposal | RHP 803 | 5 |
| Mini-dissertation (13 000-15 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography)  The methodology and content of the mini-dissertation should reflect legal perspectives of human rights) [prerequisites: RHP 801 and 803] | MND 800 | 100 |
| Multidisciplinary human rights | MHR 801 | 30 |
| and any TWO of the following modules of which at least one should be a module marked with a # and one with a module marked with ## |  |  |
| ## Global perspectives on law, justice and development | LRD 802 | 30 |
| ## History and philosophy of human rights | HPH 801 | 30 |
| ## Post-apartheid jurisprudence | PAJ 801 | 30 |
| # Socio-economic rights under comparative and international law | SRI 801 | 30 |
| #An analysis of the SA Constitution and human rights | CMR 801 | 30 |
| #Socio-economic rights in the SA Constitution | SRC 802 | 30 |
| ##Law and sustainable development | LRD 801 | 30 |
| # One of these modules may be substituted with any other LLM coursework module as recommended by the programme coordinator and approved by the head of department. | | |

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| **LLM**  **Option: Sexual and reproductive rights in Africa (04252019) Academic Programme: LM101**  Coordinator: Prof Charles Ngwena, email: [charles.ngwena@gmail.com](mailto:charles.ngwena@gmail.com)  or Prof FJ Viljoen, tel 012 420 3810, email: [frans.viljoen@up.ac.za](mailto:frans.viljoen@up.ac.za)  Closing date for SA applicants: 30 June  ***(Programme may be taken by international students)*** | | | |
|  | **Module code** | **Credits** | |
| Research methodology for human rights | NRM 801 | 5 | |
| Research proposal | RHP 803 | 5 | |
| Mini-dissertation (18 000-20 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography) [prerequisites: NRM 801 and RHP 803] | MND 802 | 125 | |
| International human rights law relevant to sexual and reproductive rights in Africa | HRA 802 | 20 | |
| Applying human rights principles to realise sexual and reproductive health rights claims | HRA 803 | 20 | |
| Applying human rights principles to selected reproductive health issues in Africa | HRA 804 | 20 | |
| Applying human rights principles to selected sexual rights and sexuality issues in Africa | HRA 805 | 20 | |
| Applying human rights principles to selected rights of sexual minorities in Africa | HRA 806 | 20 | |
| Research and advocacy to realise sexual, reproductive health and sexual minority rights claims in Africa | HRA 807 | 15 | |
| Duration: A minimum of two years part-time. The programme will be offered as a part- time, distance education programme, with a block session of one week (30 contact hours) per module. | | | |
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| **LLM**  **Law and political justice (04250089) Academic Programme: LM101**  Coordinator: Prof Karin van Marle, tel 012 420 2393, email: [karin.vanmarle@up.ac.za](mailto:karin.vanmarle@up.ac.za)  Closing date for applications: SA applicants – 30 November; non-SA applicants – 31 Aug  ***(Programme may be taken by international students)*** | | | |
|  | **Module code** | **Credits** | |
| Research methodology | RHP 801 | 5 | |
| Research proposal | RHP 803 | 5 | |
| Mini-dissertation (13 000-15 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography) [prerequisites: NRM 801 and RHP 803] | MND 800 | 100 | |
| Post-apartheid jurisprudence | PAJ 801 | 30 | |
| Global perspectives on law, rights and development | LRD 802 | 30 | |
| Socio-economic rights in the South African Constitution | SRC 802 | 30 | |
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| **LLM**  **Option: Banking law (04250103) Academic Programme: LM101**  Coordinator: Prof Corlia van Heerden, tel 012 420 2377, email: [corlia.vanheerden@up.ac.za](mailto:corlia.vanheerden@up.ac.za)  Closing date for applications: SA applicants – 30 November; non-SA applicants – 31 Aug  ***(Programme may be taken by international students)*** | | |
|  | **Module code** | **Credits** |
| Research methodology | RHP 801 | 5 |
| Research proposal | RHP 803 | 5 |
| Mini-dissertation (13 000-15 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography) [prerequisites: RHP 801 and 803] | MND 800 | 100 |
| Banking law | BNK 802 | 30 |
| Banking law – Capita Selecta | BNK 803 | 30 |
| # Advanced consumer credit law | AML 802 | 30 |
| # This module may be substituted with any other LLM coursework module as recommended by the programme coordinator and approved by the head of department. | | |

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| **LLM**  **Option: Consumer protection law (04252011) Academic Programme: LM101**  Coordinator: Prof Stéfan Renke, tel 012 420 2363, email: stefan.renke@ up.ac.za  Closing date for applications: SA applicants (only) – 30 November | | |
|  | **Module code** | **Credits** |
| Research methodology | RHP 801 | 5 |
| Research proposal | RHP 803 | 5 |
| Mini-dissertation (13 000-15 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography) [prerequisites: RHP 801 and 803] | MND 800 | 100 |
| # ♦ Advanced consumer credit law | AML 802 | 30 |
| # ♦ Advanced consumer protection | AML 803 | 30 |
| # ♦ International consumer protection | AML 804 | 30 |
| * Not offered to students without a South African LLB or BProc degree   # One of these modules may be substituted with any other LLM coursework module as recommended by the programme coordinator and approved by the head of department. | | |

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| **LLM**  **Option: Corporate law (04252012) Academic Programme: LM101**  Coordinator: Prof Femida Cassim, tel 012 420 4337, email: [femida.cassim@up.ac.za](mailto:femida.cassim@up.ac.za)  Closing date for applications: SA applicants (only) – 30 November | | |
|  | **Module code** | **Credits** |
| Research methodology | RHP 801 | 5 |
| Research proposal | RHP 803 | 5 |
| Mini-dissertation (13 000-15 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography) [prerequisites: RHP 801 and 803] | MND 800 | 100 |
| Company law [prerequisite: must pass entrance test] | MKR 801 | 30 |
| #♦ International take-overs and reorganisations  [prerequisite: must pass entrance test] | TOR 802 | 30 |
| * Law of securities [prerequisite: must pass entrance test] | LRR 801 | 30 |
| # This module may be substituted with any other LLM coursework module as recommended by the programme coordinator and approved by the head of department.   * Not offered to students without a South African LLB or BProc degree   This is a selection programme and only selected applicants will be admitted to the programme. | | |

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| **LLM**  **Option: Insolvency Law (04252007) Academic Programme: LM101**  Coordinator: Prof Hermie Coetzee, tel 012 420 4375, email: [hermie.coetzee@up.ac.za](mailto:hermie.coetzee@up.ac.za)  Closing date for applications: SA applicants – 30 November ; non-SA applicants – 31 Aug  ***(Programme may be taken by international students)*** | | |
|  | **Module code** | **Credits** |
| Research methodology | RHP 801 | 5 |
| Research proposal | RHP 803 | 5 |
| Mini-dissertation (13 000-15 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography) [prerequisites: RHP 801 and 803] | MND 800 | 100 |
| Insolvency law | ISR 801 | 30 |
| #International insolvency law | IIL 801 | 30 |
| Liquidation and business rescue | LBR 802 | 30 |
| # This module may be substituted with any other LLM coursework module as recommended by the programme coordinator and approved by the head of department. | | |

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| **LLM**  **Option: Insurance law and governance (04252025) Academic Programme: LM101**  Coordinator: Prof Niek Grové tel 012 420 4248, email: [niek.grove@up.ac.za](mailto:niek.grove@up.ac.za)  Closing date for applications: SA applicants – 30 November ; non-SA applicants – 31 Aug  ***(Programme may be taken by international students)*** | | |
|  | **Module code** | **Credits** |
| Research methodology | RHP 801 | 5 |
| Research proposal | RHP 803 | 5 |
| Mini-dissertation (13 000-15 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography) [prerequisites: RHP 801 and 803] | MND 800 | 100 |
| General principles of insurance law | MRL 801 | 30 |
| Insurance regulation and governance (Prerequisites MRL 801) | MRL 802 | 30 |
| Capita Selecta from insurance law (Prerequisites MRL 802) | MRL 803 | 30 |

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| **LLM**  **Option: Labour law (04252005) Academic Programme: LM101**  Coordinator: Prof Stefan van Eck, tel 012 420 2363, email: [stefan.vaneck@up.ac.za](mailto:stefan.vaneck@up.ac.za)  Closing date for applications: SA applicants (only) – 30 November | | |
|  | **Module code** | **Credits** |
| Research methodology | RHP 801 | 5 |
| Research proposal | RHP 803 | 5 |
| Mini-dissertation (13 000-15 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography) [prerequisites: RHP 801 and 803] | MND 800 | 100 |
| ♦Collective labour law | CLL 802 | 30 |
| ♦Individual labour law | IVL 801 | 30 |
| and ONE of the following modules: |  |  |
| #International labour law | ITA 802 | 30 |
| #♦Advanced social security law | GSR 802 | 30 |
| # One of these modules may be substituted with any other LLM coursework module as recommended by the programme coordinator and approved by the head of department.   * Not offered to students without a South African LLB or BProc degree | | |

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| **LLM**  **Option: Mercantile law (04252006) Academic Programme: LM101**  Coordinator: Dr Reghard Brits, tel 012 420 5419, email: [reghard.brits@up.ac.za](mailto:%20reghard.brits@up.ac.za)  Closing date for applications: SA applicants – 30 November ; non-SA applicants – 31 Aug  ***(Programme may be taken by international students)*** | | |
|  | **Module code** | **Credits** |
| Research methodology | RHP 801 | 5 |
| Research proposal | RHP 803 | 5 |
| Mini-dissertation (13 000-15 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography) [prerequisites: RHP 801 and 803] | MND 800 | 100 |
| and any THREE of the following modules: |  |  |
| #♦Advanced social security law | GSR 802 | 30 |
| #♦Advanced income tax law | ITL 801 | 30 |
| # Advanced transnational business law  [prerequisite: TBR 420] | TBL 802 | 30 |
| #Banking law | BNK 802 | 30 |
| #Information and communications technology | KUB 802 | 30 |
| #♦Indirect tax | IDT 802 | 30 |
| #International insolvency law | IIL 801 | 30 |
| #♦Law of specific contracts | SKC 802 | 30 |
| #Statutory competition law | SCL 801 | 30 |
| # One of these modules may be substituted with any other LLM coursework module as recommended by the programme coordinator and approved by the head of department.   * Not offered to students without a South African LLB or BProc degree | | |

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| **LLM**  **Option: Tax law (04252015) Academic Programme: LM101**  Coordinator: Dr Carika Fritz , email: [carika.fritz@up.ac.za](mailto:carika.fritz@up.ac.za)  Closing date for applications: SA applicants (only) – 30 November | | |
|  | **Module code** | **Credits** |
| Research methodology | RHP 801 | 5 |
| Research proposal | RHP 803 | 5 |
| Mini-dissertation (minimum of 13 000 – 15 000 words including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography) [prerequisites: RHP 801 and 803] | MND 804 | 100 |
| General principles of income tax | TAX 801 | 30 |
| Tax administration – and international perspective | TAX 802 | 30 |
| Indirect tax | TAX 803 | 30 |
| This is a selection programme and only selected applicants will be admitted to the programme.  *Consult the Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences yearbook for an MCom in this regard.* | | |

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| **LLM**  **Option: Child law (04252009) Academic Programme: LM101**  Coordinator: Prof Anne Louw, tel 012 420 3923, email: [anne.louw@up.ac.za](mailto:anne.louw@up.ac.za)  Closing date for applications: SA applicants (only) – 30 November | | |
|  | **Module code** | **Credits** |
| Research methodology | RHP 801 | 5 |
| Research proposal | RHP 803 | 5 |
| Mini-dissertation (13 000-15 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography) [prerequisites: RHP 801 and 803] | MND 800 | 100 |
| ♦Aspects of criminal and criminal procedural law pertaining to children | SSK 802 | 30 |
| ♦Aspects of private law pertaining to children | PLC 801 | 30 |
| ♦Constitutional and international law pertaining to Children | GIK 801 | 30 |
| ♦Not offered to students without a South African LLB or BProc degree | | |

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| **LLM**  **Option: Estate law (04252001) Academic Programme: LM101**  Coordinator: Prof Anton van der Linde, tel 012 420 4277 email: [anton.vanderlinde@up.ac.za](mailto:anton.vanderlinde@up.ac.za)  Closing date for applications: SA applicants (only) – 30 November | | |
|  | **Module code** | **Credits** |
| Research methodology | RHP 801 | 5 |
| Research proposal | RHP 803 | 5 |
| Mini-dissertation (13 000-15 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography) [prerequisites: RHP 801 and 803] | MND 800 | 100 |
| ♦Administration of estates | AOE 801 | 30 |
| ♦Aspects of the law of succession | ASC 801 | 30 |
| ♦Aspects of the law of trusts | AVT 802 | 30 |
| * Not offered to students without a South African LLB or BProc degree | | |

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| **LLM**  **Option: Intellectual property law (04252003) Academic Programme: LM101**  Coordinator: Prof SJ Cornelius, tel 012 420 3158, email: [steve.cornelius@up.ac.za](mailto:steve.cornelius@up.ac.za)  Closing date for applications: SA applicants – 30 November ; non-SA applicants – 31 Aug  ***(Programme may be taken by international students)*** | | |
|  | **Module code** | **Credits** |
| Research methodology | RHP 801 | 5 |
| Research proposal | RHP 803 | 5 |
| Mini-dissertation (13 000-15 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography) [prerequisites: RHP 801 and RHP 803] | MND 800 | 100 |
| and all THREE of the following modules: |  |  |
| Intellectual Property, New Technologies and Innovation | IGZ 802 | 30 |
| Intellectual Property, Branding and Advertising | IGZ 803 | 30 |
| Intellectual Property, Creative Industries and Expression of Ideas | IGZ 804 | 30 |
| Note: This programme is number limited. | | |

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| **LLM**  **Option: Law of contract (04252010) Academic Programme: LM101**  Coordinator: Adv Mayuri Pillay, email: [mayuri.pillay@up.ac.za](mailto:mayuri.pillay@up.ac.za)  Closing date for applications: SA applicants – 30 November | | |
|  | **Module code** | **Credits** |
| Research methodology | RHP 801 | 5 |
| Research proposal | RHP 803 | 5 |
| Mini-dissertation (13 000-15 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography) [prerequisites: RHP 801 and RHP 803] | MND 800 | 100 |
| ♦ Capita selecta of the general principles of contract | GPC 801 | 30 |
| ♦ Interpretation of contracts [prerequisite: GPC 801] | GPC 802 | 30 |
| ♦ Advanced drafting theory [prerequisite: GPC 802] | GPC 803 | 30 |
| ♦Note: Not offered to students without a South African LLB or BProc degree | | |

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| **LLM**  **Option: Private law (04252000) Academic Programme: LM101**  Coordinator: Prof SJ Cornelius, tel 012 420 2307, email: [steve.cornelius@up.ac.za](mailto:steve.cornelius@up.ac.za)  Closing date for applications: SA applicants (only) – 30 November | | |
|  | **Module code** | **Credits** |
| Research methodology | RHP 801 | 5 |
| Research proposal | RHP 803 | 5 |
| Mini-dissertation (13 000-15 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography) [prerequisites: RHP 801 and 803] | MND 800 | 100 |
| and any THREE of the following modules |  |  |
| #♦Aspects of divorce law | DLA 801 | 30 |
| #♦Aspects of the law of succession | ASC 801 | 30 |
| #♦Aspects of the law of trusts | AVT 802 | 30 |
| #♦Aspects of private law pertaining to children | PLC 801 | 30 |
| #Education law and policy | DLP 802 | 30 |
| #♦Matrimonial property law | MPL 802 | 30 |
| #♦Recognised and alternative life-partnerships | EAL 802 | 30 |
| #Sports law | SRP 801 | 30 |
| *#*♦Capita selecta of the general principles of contract law | GPC 801 | 30 |
| #♦Law of specific contracts | SKC 802 | 30 |
| # One of these modules may be substituted with any other LLM coursework module as recommended by the programme coordinator and approved by the head of department.   * Not offered to students without a South African LLB or BProc degree | | |

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| **LLM**  **Option: Procedural law (04252013) Academic Programme: LM101**  Coordinator: Prof WP de Villiers, tel 012 420 2840, email: [wium.devilliers@up.ac.za](mailto:wium.devilliers@up.ac.za)  Closing date for applications: SA applicants (only) – 30 November | | |
|  | **Module code** | **Credits** |
| Research methodology | RHP 801 | 5 |
| Research proposal | RHP 803 | 5 |
| Mini-dissertation (13 000-15 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography) [prerequisites: RHP 801 and 803] | MND 800 | 100 |
| Advanced law of evidence | LOE 802 | 30 |
| #♦Civil litigation | CLG 801 | 30 |
| #♦Criminal procedure litigation | CCP 801 | 30 |
| # One of these modules may be substituted with any other LLM coursework module as recommended by the programme coordinator and approved by the head of department.   * Not offered to students without a South African LLB or BProc degree | | |

# DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC LAW

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| **LLM**  **Option: Constitutional and administrative law (04252014) Academic Programme: LM101**  Coordinator: Prof JJ Malan, tel 012 420 3733, email: [koos.malan@up.ac.za](mailto:koos.malan@up.ac.za)  Closing date for applications: SA applicants – 30 November; non-SA applicants – 31 Aug  ***(Programme may be taken by international students)*** | | |
|  | **Module code** | **Credits** |
| Research methodology | RHP 801 | 5 |
| Research proposal | RHP 803 | 5 |
| Mini-dissertation (13 000-15 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography) [prerequisites: RHP 801 and 803] | MND 800 | 100 |
| And |  |  |
| Administrative law | ASL 802 | 30 |
| Constitutional law | CSL 801 | 30 |
| and ONE of the following modules: |  |  |
| #Environmental law | ENL 802 | 30 |
| #Land and land reform law | GGH 802 | 30 |
| #Socio-economic rights in the SA Constitution | SRC 802 | 30 |
| #One of these modules may be substituted with any other LLM coursework module as recommended by the programme coordinator and approved by the head of department. | | |

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| **LLM**  **Option: Extractive industry law in Africa (04252018) Academic Programme: LM101**  Coordinator: Adv Leon Gerber tel 012 420 6667, email: [leon.gerber@up.ac.za](mailto:leon.gerber@up.ac.za)  Closing date for applications: SA applicants – 30 November; non-SA applicants – 31 Aug  ***(Programme may be taken by international students)*** | | |
|  | **Module code** | **Credits** |
| Research methodology | RHP 801 | 5 |
| Research proposal | RHP 803 | 5 |
| Mini-dissertation (13 000-15 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography) [prerequisites: RHP 801 and RHP 803] | MND 800 | 100 |
| Rights to and regulation of natural resources | EIL 801 | 30 |
| Sustainability aspects of extractive industries | EIL 802 | 30 |
| and ONE of the following modules: |  |  |
| The South African Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2002 (MPRDA) | EIL 803 | 30 |
| International law aspects of extractive industries | EIL 804 | 30 |
| Civil liability aspects of extractive industries | EIL 805 | 30 |
| This is a selection programme and only selected applicants will be admitted to the programme. | | |

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| **LLM**  **Option: International law (04252008) Academic Programme: LM101**  Coordinator: Prof Annelize Nienaber, tel 012 420 5778, email: [annelize.nienaber@up.ac.za](mailto:annelize.nienaber@up.ac.za)  Closing date for applications: SA applicants – 30 November; non-SA applicants – 31 Aug  ***(Programme may be taken by international students)*** | | |
|  | **Module code** | **Credits** |
| Research methodology | RHP 801 | 5 |
| Research proposal | RHP 803 | 5 |
| Mini-dissertation (13 000-15 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography) [prerequisites: RHP 801 and 803] | MND 800 | 100 |
| Advanced international law | AIL 802 | 30 |
| Applied international law | MCL 801 | 30 |
| and ONE of the following modules: |  |  |
| #Advanced transnational business law  [prerequisite: TBR 420] | TBL 802 | 30 |
| #International criminal law | ICL 802 | 30 |
| #International environmental law | IEL 801 | 30 |
| #International insolvency law | IIL 801 | 30 |
| #Socio-economic rights under comparative and international law | SRI 801 | 30 |
| #One of these modules may be substituted with any other LLM coursework module as recommended by the programme coordinator and approved by the head of department.  The Faculty of Law offers a short course in public international law prior to the commencement of the first semester of each year.  Prospective LLM International law students are strongly encouraged to enrol in this course, so as to ensure that all students will have the required knowledge to pursue studies in international law at postgraduate level.  This is a selection programme and only selected applicants will be admitted to the Programme. | | |

# MPhil: Coursework programmes offered in the various departments for 2019

### What are the minimum entry requirements for the MPhil degree?

**CENTRE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS**

## 1.1 MPhil Multidisciplinary human rights

## At least an honours degree in an academic discipline relevant to legal aspects in South Africa or Africa as well as to the contents of the specific MPhil coursework programme OR any other qualification in an academic discipline relevant to legal aspects in South Africa or Africa as well as to the contents of the specific MPhil coursework programme that allows admission to a master’s programme at the institution where the undergraduate qualification was obtained.

## If the duration of that qualification is less than four years, substantial proven practical or professional experience in legal aspects in South Africa or Africa will furthermore be required, subject to the discretion of the Dean.

* Foreign qualifications are subject to SAQA evaluation.
* A minimum average mark of 65% with respect to the prescribed modules of the honours programme is required for admission to the MPhil coursework programmes.
* An acceptable level of proficiency in English is required.

**1.2 MPhil Human rights and democratisation in Africa**

## At least an honours degree in an academic discipline relevant to legal aspects in South Africa or Africa as well as to the contents of the specific MPhil coursework programme OR any other qualification in an academic discipline relevant to legal aspects in South Africa or Africa as well as to the contents of the specific MPhil coursework programme that allows admission to a master’s programme at the institution where the undergraduate qualification was obtained. If the duration of that qualification is less than four years, substantial proven practical or professional experience in legal aspects in South Africa or Africa will furthermore be required, subject to the discretion of the Dean.

* Foreign qualifications are subject to SAQA evaluation.
* A minimum average mark of 65% with respect to the prescribed modules of the honours programme is required for admission to the MPhil coursework programmes.
* An acceptable level of proficiency in English is required.
* In addition to the general admission requirements, the following specific selection criteria are used in combination to select the eligible students:

1. A demonstrated professional, academic and personal interest in and commitment to human rights and democratisation in Africa;
2. An indication that the applicant would be likely to put the qualification to good use in his or her future career, preferably in his or her country of origin;
3. Geographic representation;
4. Gender presentation;
5. Equitable representation of persons from vulnerable communities (such as persons with disabilities, persons belonging to indigenous communities and LGBTI persons.

* All complete applications are processed and considered by the LLM/MPhil Programme Manager and the Academic Coordinator of the programme, who identify a number of eligible candidates approximately three times the available positions. Each of these applicants is then contacted and required to write an essay within a restricted time period of being given the topic. The academic coordinator assesses these essays. On the basis of all the assessments, including the essay, the Chair of the Council of Directors of the LLM/MPhil Programme, who is a representative of one of the partner faculties, scrutinises the applications and makes a recommendation on the pre-selected students.
* A final selection is made by the full admissions committee, consisting of the Chair of the Council of Directors of the LLM/MPhil Programme (if available) the Director of the Centre for Human Rights, the assistant director of the centre for Human Rights, the LLM/MPhil programme manager and the academic coordinator, Centre for Human Rights.
* The maximum number of students admitted for this course is 15 per annum.

**1.3 MPhil Sexual and Reproductive Rights in Africa**

## At least an honours degree in an academic discipline relevant to legal aspects in South Africa or Africa as well as to the contents of the specific MPhil coursework programme OR any other qualification in an academic discipline relevant to legal aspects in South Africa or Africa as well as to the contents of the specific MPhil coursework programme that allows admission to a master’s programme at the institution where the undergraduate qualification was obtained. If the duration of that qualification is less than four years, substantial proven practical or professional experience in legal aspects in South Africa or Africa will furthermore be required, subject to the discretion of the Dean.

* Foreign qualifications are subject to SAQA evaluation.
* A minimum average mark of 65% with respect to the prescribed modules of the honours programme is required for admission to the MPhil coursework programmes.
* An acceptable level of proficiency in English is required.
* In addition to the general admission requirements, the following specific selection criteria are used in combination to select the eligible students:
* Applicants may be required to write an essay within a restricted time period of being given the topic, which is assessed and taken into account in the admission process.
* The maximum number of students admitted for this course is 15.

**1.4 MPhil Disability Rights in Africa**

## At least an honours degree in an academic discipline relevant to legal aspects in South Africa or Africa as well as to the contents of the specific MPhil coursework programme OR any other qualification in an academic discipline relevant to legal aspects in South Africa or Africa as well as to the contents of the specific MPhil coursework programme that allows admission to a master’s programme at the institution where the undergraduate qualification was obtained. If the duration of that qualification is less than four years, substantial proven practical or professional experience in legal aspects in South Africa or Africa will furthermore be required, subject to the discretion of the Dean.

* Foreign qualifications are subject to SAQA evaluation.
* A minimum average mark of 65% with respect to the prescribed modules of the honours programme is.
* required for admission to the MPhil coursework programmes.
* An acceptable level of proficiency in English is required.
* In addition to the general admission requirements, the following specific selection criteria are used in combination to select the eligible students:
* In addition to the general admission requirements, the following specific selection criteria are used in combination to select the eligible students: geographic representation; gender representation; and equitable representation of persons from vulnerable communities (such as persons with disabilities, persons belonging to indigenous communities and LGBTI persons).
* Applicants may be required to write an essay within a restricted time period of being given the topic, which is assessed and taken into account in the admission process.
* The maximum number of students admitted for this course is 15 per annum.

1. **DEPARTMENT PUBLIC LAW**

**2.1 MPhil Extractive industry policy, management and regulation**

## At least an honours degree in an academic discipline relevant to legal aspects in South Africa or Africa as well as to the contents of the specific MPhil coursework programme OR any other qualification in an academic discipline relevant to legal aspects in South Africa or Africa as well as to the contents of the specific MPhil coursework programme that allows admission to a master’s programme at the institution where the undergraduate qualification was obtained. If the duration of that qualification is less than four years, substantial proven practical or professional experience in legal aspects in South Africa or Africa will furthermore be required, subject to the discretion of the Dean.

* Foreign qualifications are subject to SAQA evaluation.
* A minimum average mark of 65% with respect to the prescribed modules of the honours programme is required for admission to the MPhil coursework programmes.
* An acceptable level of proficiency in English is required. Students must submit a cover letter motivating:

(a) The desire to study in the field; and (b) indicate previous experience in the field, if any; and (c) How the degree will be applied to contribute to sustainable development in Africa.

* The maximum number of students admitted for this course is 10 per annum.

**3. DEPARTMENT JURISPRUDENCE**

**3.1 MPhil Law and Political Justice**

## At least an honours degree in an academic discipline relevant to legal aspects in South Africa or Africa as well as to the contents of the specific MPhil coursework programme OR any other qualification in an academic discipline relevant to legal aspects in South Africa or Africa as well as to the contents of the specific MPhil coursework programme that allows admission to a master’s programme at the institution where the undergraduate qualification was obtained. If the duration of that qualification is less than four years, substantial proven practical or professional experience in legal aspects in South Africa or Africa will furthermore be required, subject to the discretion of the Dean.

* Foreign qualifications are subject to SAQA evaluation.
* A minimum average mark of 65% with respect to the prescribed modules of the honours programme is.
  + required for admission to the MPhil coursework programmes.
* An acceptable level of proficiency in English is required.

**CENTRE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS**

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| **MPhil**  **Option: Disability rights in Africa (04251026) Academic Programme: LM103**  Coordinator: Dr Ilze Grobbelaar-du Plessis, tel 012 420 3752, email: [ilze.grobbelaar@up.ac.za](mailto:ilze.grobbelaar@up.ac.za)  and Ms Innocentia Mgijima, tel 012 420 6398, email: [innocentia.mgijima@up.ac.za](mailto:innocentia.mgijima@up.ac.za)  Closing date for applications: 30 June  ***(Programme may be taken by international students)*** | | |
|  | **Module code** | **Credits** |
| Research methodology for human rights | NRM 801 | 5 |
| Research proposal | RHP 803 | 5 |
| Mini-dissertation (13 000-15 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography) [prerequisites: NRM 801 and RHP 803] | MND 800 | 100 |
| Principles of international human rights law | DRL 801 | 10 |
| Principles of social science | DRL 802 | 5 |
| Protection of persons with disabilities in a global context | DRL 803 | 25 |
| African regional disability rights protection | DRL 804 | 25 |
| Contemporary challenges in disability law, policy and practice in Africa | DRL 805 | 25 |

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| **MPhil**  **Option: Human rights and democratisation in Africa (04251023) Academic Programme: LM105**  Coordinator: Prof Magnus Killander, tel 012 420 5407, email: [magnus.killander@up.ac.za](mailto:magnus.killander@up.ac.za)  Closing date for applications: 30 June  ***(Programme may be taken by international students)*** | | |
|  | **Module code** | **Credits** |
| Research methodology for human rights | NRM 801 | 5 |
| Research proposal | RHP 803 | 5 |
| Mini-dissertation (18 000-20 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography)  (The methodology and content of the mini-dissertation should reflect a multidisciplinary perspective on human rights) [prerequisites: NRM 801 and RHP 803] | MND 802 | 125 |
| Accredited course in human rights | ACH 802 | 15 |
| Applied human rights | AHR 801 | 20 |
| Democratisation in Africa | DIA 801 | 20 |
| Human rights in Africa | HRA 801 | 20 |
| International and comparative human rights | ICH 801 | 20 |
| Introduction to the SA legal system and Bill of rights | RVM 801 | 20 |
| This is a selection programme and only selected applicants will be admitted to the programme.  Duration: A minimum of 1 year full-time. | | |

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| **MPhil**  **Option: Multidisciplinary human rights (04251024) Academic Programme: LM103**  Coordinator: Prof Michelo Hansungule, tel 012 420 4532 or Prof Frans Viljoen, tel 012 420 3810, email: [michelo.hansungule@up.ac.za](mailto:michelo.hansungule@up.ac.za) or [frans.viljoen@up.ac.za](mailto:frans.viljoen@up.ac.za)  Closing date for applications: SA applicants – 30 November; non-SA applicants – 31 Aug  ***(Programme may be taken by international students)*** | | |
|  | **Module code** | **Credits** |
| Research methodology | RHP 801 | 5 |
| Research proposal | RHP 803 | 5 |
| Mini-dissertation (13 000 – 15 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography). (The methodology and content of the mini-dissertation should reflect a multidisciplinary perspective on human  rights) [prerequisites: RHP 801 and RHP 803] | MND 800 | 100 |
| Multidisciplinary human rights | MHR 801 | 30 |
| Any TWO of the following modules to the value of 60 credits, of which at least one should be a module marked with an asterisk (\*): |  |  |
| \*History and philosophy of human rights | HPH 801 | 30 |
| \*Global perspectives on law, rights and development | LRD 802 | 30 |
| \*Post-apartheid jurisprudence | PAJ 801 | 30 |
| An analysis of the SA Constitution and human rights | CMR 801 | 30 |
| Socio-economic rights under comparative and international law | SRI 801 | 30 |
| Socio-economic rights in the SA Constitution | SRC 802 | 30 |
| Law and sustainable development | LRD 801 | 30 |

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| **MPhil**  **Option: Sexual and reproductive rights in Africa (04251025) Academic Programme: LM103**  Coordinator: Prof Charles Ngwena, email: [charlesngwena@gmail.com](mailto:charlesngwena@gmail.com) or Prof FJ Viljoen, tel 012 420 3810, email: [frans.viljoen@up.ac.za](mailto:frans.viljoen@up.ac.za)  Closing date for applications: 30 June  ***(Programme may be taken by international students)*** | | |
|  | **Module code** | **Credits** |
| Research methodology for human rights | NRM 801 | 5 |
| Research proposal | RHP 803 | 5 |
| Mini-dissertation (18 000-20 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography)  (The methodology and content of the mini-dissertation should reflect a multidisciplinary perspective on human rights) [prerequisites: NRM 801 and RHP 803] | MND 802 | 125 |
| International human rights law relevant to sexual and reproductive rights in Africa | HRA 802 | 20 |
| Applying human rights principles to realise sexual and reproductive health rights claims | HRA 803 | 20 |
| Applying human rights principles to selected reproductive health issues in Africa | HRA 804 | 20 |
| Applying human rights principles to selected sexual rights and sexuality issues in Africa | HRA 805 | 20 |
| Applying human rights principles to selected rights of sexual minorities in Africa | HRA 806 | 20 |
| Research and advocacy to realise sexual, reproductive health  and sexual minority rights claims in Africa | HRA 807 | 15 |
| This is a selection programme and only selected applicants will be admitted to the programme.  Duration: A minimum of two years part-time. The programme will be offered as a part-time, distance education programme, with a block session of one week (30 contact hours) per module. | | |

**DEPARTMENT OF JURISPRUDENCE**

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| **MPhil**  **Option: Law and political justice (04250068) Academic Programme: LM103**  Coordinator: Prof Karin van Marle, tel 012 420 2393, email: [karin.vanmarle@up.ac.za](mailto:karin.vanmarle@up.ac.za)  Closing date for applications: SA applicants – 30 November ; non- SA applicants – 31 Aug  ***(Programme may be taken by international students)*** | | |
|  | **Module code** | **Credits** |
| Research methodology | RHP 801 | 5 |
| Research proposal | RHP 803 | 5 |
| Mini-dissertation (13 000-15 000) words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography) [prerequisites: RHP 801 and 803] | MND 800 | 100 |
| Post-apartheid jurisprudence | PAJ 801 | 30 |
| Global perspectives on law, rights and development | LRD 802 | 30 |
| History and philosophy of human rights | HPH 801 | 30 |

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC LAW**

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| **MPhil**  **Option: Extractive industry policy, management and regulation (04251027) Academic Programme: LM103**  Coordinators: Adv Leon Gerber tel 012 420 6667, email: [leon.gerber@up.ac.za](mailto:leon.gerber@up.ac.za)  Closing date for applications: SA applicants – 30 November; non-SA applicants – 31 Aug  ***(Programme may be taken by international students)*** | | |
|  | **Module code** | **Credits** |
| Research methodology for human rights | NRM 801 | 5 |
| Research proposal | RHP 803 | 5 |
| Mini-dissertation (13 000-15 000) words – including  footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography) [prerequisites: RHP 801 and RHP 803] | MND 800 | 100 |
| Rights to and regulation of natural resources | EIL 801 | 30 |
| Sustainability aspects of extractive industries | EIL 802 | 30 |
| and ONE of the following modules: |  |  |
| The South African Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2002 (MPRDA) | EIL 803 | 30 |
| Socio-economic development and management of non-renewable natural resources | EIL 812 | 30 |
| This is a selection programme and only selected applicants will be admitted to the programme. | | |

# Master of Laws [LLM]: Research

## Requirements for admission

* Subject to the stipulations of the relevant General Regulations a candidate for the LLM programme should be in possession of at least an LLB/BProc degree or an equivalent degree from a foreign university that allows entrance to the formal legal profession.
* Where applicable a candidate must apply to SAQA for an evaluation of their foreign qualification
* A candidate for the LLM programme must submit a writing portfolio consisting of recent research-based essays, assignments or the like, as well as a letter of motivation and a preliminary research statement (a five hundred word description of the proposed research field indicating a research topic and the broad scope of the proposed study).
* A candidate will only be admitted to the LLM programme if he/she obtained a minimum average mark of 65% with respect to the prescribed final-year modules of the undergraduate programme. Where an average of below 65% was achieved, the student may be admitted on recommendation of the relevant head of department after consultation with potential supervisor(s) and consideration of other factors, including without limitation, relevant work experience, other academic qualifications and/or an admission examination.
* A candidate will only be admitted to the LLM programme if the Faculty can provide a suitable supervisor in light of the applicant’s preliminary research statement and writing portfolio. The potential supervisor should assist the candidate in formulating a clear and crisp research problem and research questions (if required) before a final decision on admission to the programme is taken.
* Where a potential supervisor declines to accept a candidate for a reason other than the lack of capacity (current supervision load or lack of relevant expertise), the dean on advice of the postgraduate committee may issue appropriate directives to the relevant head of department (such as obtaining the recommendation of an independent expert) before making a final decision.

## Applicants must submit all of the following documents for LLM Research programme:

* + - The complete University of Pretoria application form.
    - To obtain the on-line application go to: [www.up.ac.za/](http://www.up.ac.za/)online-application
    - By contacting the Client Service Centre at [csc@up.ac.za](mailto:csc@up.ac.za) or 012 420 3111 if applicants experience problems with the links above, please contact the Client Service Centre at [csc.up.ac.za](http://www.up.ac.za/) or telephone number (012) 420 311 or contact Mrs Erna Esterhuizen at [erna.esterhuizen@up.ac.za](mailto:erna.esterhuizen@up.ac.za) or telephone number (012) 420 5143.
    - Proof of payment: Application fee.

1. Previous academic records/transcripts
2. Previous studies‟ degree certificates
3. Copy of your LLB essay and/or additional proof of your own written work
4. Curriculum Vitae
5. Copy of ID/Passport
6. Letter of motivation by prospective student (why do you wish to register for this particular programme?)
7. Preliminary research statement – At least a five hundred (500) word description of your proposed research field indicating a research topic and the broad scope of your proposed study
8. Where required, proof of English competence in the form of a TOEFL or IELTS test results.

## In the case of a student who holds foreign qualification i.e an LLB/Proc or equivalent degree completed outside South Africa; all of the above documents are required plus a SAQA certificate.

## Enquiries

For more information you can contact Mrs Helen van Tonder ([Helen.vantonder@up.ac.za](mailto:Helen.vantonder@up.ac.za))

1. **Registration and renewal of registration**

If admitted, a student can register immediately for the LLM programme. The following two or three modules must be registered for and completed within one year of registration:

* 1. **Research methodology (RHP 802) offered by the Faculty of Law**

(If the student can show sufficient evidence of competence in research skills required at postgraduate level the Postgraduate Committee of the Faculty of Law, on recommendation of the supervisor, may exempt the student from this module.)

* 1. **Research proposal and oral defence of the research proposal (RHP 804)**

An oral defence of the research proposal including an assessment of the feasibility of the dissertation statement, research question or questions and argument to be developed in the LLM dissertation is required. A draft research proposal including a bibliography that covers the main fields to be covered by the study, the dissertation statement, research question or questions and argument must be sent to the examination panel three weeks prior to the oral defence. (Such a draft research proposal must first be approved by the supervisor.) The student must convince the adjudicating panel of the feasibility of the topic and his or her knowledge of the research subject and ability to conduct the research. Where required by the panel, the draft proposal must be further reworked in light of the comments at the oral defence and a final proposal submitted to the satisfaction of the supervisor before the student may embark on the writing of the dissertation. (*No exemption can be granted from this requirement.)*

A student who does not complete the abovementioned two modules within one year of registration may be excluded from the Faculty and if he/she seeks readmission to the Faculty, may submit a written request to the Dean that his/her application for readmission to the Faculty be considered in terms of the set procedure.

* 1. Structured research proposal preparation (RHP 806) (non-credit-bearing). The supervisor may prescribe that a particular student must follow a structured programme to be determined by the supervisor and approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The supervisor may also set the requirements, as approved by the Postgraduate Committee, for complying with the module.

## Duration

* The study extends over at least two semesters (1 year) or a maximum of 4 semesters (2 years) (subject to the General Regulations).

## Dissertation and article

* With regard to the abovementioned curriculum, the relevant General Regulations apply and the dissertation counts 100% for the final mark.
* The dissertation consists of 40 000 to50 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography.
* The final copy of the dissertation must be accompanied by a proof of submission of an article to a journal. The article must be based on the research that the student has conducted for the dissertation and be approved by the supervisor.

# Master of Philosophy [MPhil]: Research (04250004)

Total number of NQF credits: 200

## Admission requirements and limitation of student numbers

* At least an honours degree in an academic discipline relevant to legal aspects in South Africa or Africa as well as to the contents of the specific MPhil (coursework) programme; O**R**
* Any other qualification in an academic discipline relevant to legal aspects in South Africa or Africa as well as to the contents of the specific MPhil (coursework) programme that allows admission to a master’s programme at the institution where the undergraduate qualification was obtained. If the duration of that qualification is less than four years, substantial proven practical or professional experience in legal aspects in South Africa or Africa will furthermore be required, subject to the discretion of the Dean.
* A candidate for the MPhil programme must submit a writing portfolio consisting of recent research-based essays, assignments or the like, as well as a letter of motivation and a preliminary research statement (a five hundred word description of the proposed research field indicating a research topic and the broad scope of the proposed study).
* Where applicable a candidate must apply to SAQA for an evaluation of their foreign qualification.
* A candidate will only be admitted to the MPhil programme if he/she obtained a minimum average mark of 65% with respect to the prescribed modules of the honours or preceding programme. Where an average of below 65% was achieved, the student may be admitted on recommendation of the relevant head of department after consultation with potential supervisor(s) and consideration of other factors, including without limitation, relevant work experience, other academic qualifications and/or an admission examination.
* A candidate will only be admitted to the MPhil programme if the Faculty can provide a suitable supervisor in light of the applicant’s preliminary research statement and writing portfolio. The potential supervisor should assist the candidate in formulating a clear and crisp research problem and research questions (if required) before a final decision on admission to the programme is taken.
* Where a potential supervisor declines to accept a candidate for a reason other than the lack of capacity (current supervision load or lack of relevant expertise), the dean on advice of the postgraduate committee may issue appropriate directives to the relevant head of department (such as obtaining the recommendation of an independent expert) before making a final decision.
* A candidate will only be admitted to the MPhil programme if he/she complies with the standard of competence in applicable subjects as determined by the head of department, also taking into account the candidate’s academic record and any applicable experience.

# Doctor of Laws (LLD) (04260005)

Total number of NQF credits: 360

## Applicants must submit all of the following documents for LLD degree :

* + - The complete University of Pretoria application form.
    - To obtain the on-line application go to: [www.up.ac.za/](http://www.up.ac.za/)online-application
    - By contacting the Client Service Centre at [csc@up.ac.za](mailto:csc@up.ac.za) or 012 420 3111 if applicants experience problems with the links above, please contact the Client Service Centre at [csc.up.ac.za](http://www.up.ac.za/) or telephone number (012) 420 311 or contact Mrs Erna Esterhuizen at [erna.esterhuizen@up.ac.za](mailto:erna.esterhuizen@up.ac.za) or telephone number (012) 420 5143.

1. Previous academic records/transcripts Bachelors/Honours &Masters

2. Previous studies degree certificates Bachelors/Honours & Masters

3. Copy of your Masters (mini) dissertation and/or additional proof of your own written work.

4. Curriculum Vitae & Copy of ID/Passport

5. Letter of motivation by prospective student (why do you wish to register for this particular programme?)

6. Preliminary research statement.  At least a five hundred (500) word description of your proposed research field indicating a research topic and the broad scope of your proposed study.

7. International students/foreign qualifications:   
a. SAQA certificate for both undergraduate and postgraduate

qualifications [www.saqa.org.za](http://www.saqa.org.za/)  
b. TOEFL test results (not a requirement if studied through the medium of

English) [www.toefl.org](http://www.toefl.org/)

## Enquiries

For more information you can contact Mrs Rina Deetlefs : ([rina.deetlefs@up.ac.za](mailto:rina.deetlefs@up.ac.za))

# Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) (04260004)

Total number of NQF credits: 360

## (a) Admission requirements and limitation of student numbers

* + - * + A master’s degree or an equivalent degree from a foreign university that allows admission to the doctoral degree in an academic discipline relevant to legal aspects in South Africa or Africa as well as to the contents of the specific topic in law.
        + A minimum average mark of 65% with respect to the mini/dissertation of the preceding master’s degree.
        + Where an average of below 65% was achieved, the student may be admitted by the Dean on recommendation of the relevant head of department after consultation with potential supervisors) and consideration of other factors, including relevant work experience, other academic qualifications, the merit of research topic and an admission examination.

A candidate will only be admitted to the doctoral programme if the Faculty can provide a suitable supervisor in light of the applicant’s preliminary concept note.

* + - An acceptable level of proficiency in English is required.
    - Foreign qualifications are subject to SAQA evaluation.

**LLD/PhD: Entails a research programme on an approved topic in law, students registered for the Doctoral programme are required to (under the auspices of a supervisor):**

1. Attend the compulsory 3-day long block session in Research Methodology (In either the first semester or the second semester of your first year of registration);
2. Write, discuss with an examination panel and submit a final research proposal (before the end of the first year of registration);
3. Write a thesis based on the final research proposal; which makes an original contribution to legal science and
4. Write and submit at least one article to an accredited journal (the supervisor should be a co-author of this article). The Faculty publishes a guide on where to publish articles on the law, available on [www.pulp.up.ac.za](http://www.pulp.up.ac.za/)

### How do I apply for the Doctoral degree and how much is the application fee?

Prospective student who is **NOT currently registered** at the University of Pretoria:

* + Online at [www.up.ac.za](http://www.up.ac.za/) (Study at UP >> Apply at UP>> Apply at UP)

### The application fee is R300 and is payable directly into the University’s bank account.

Prospective student who is **currently registered** at the University of Pretoria:

* + Lodge an internal application on your student portal (Student Centre >> Admissions >> Internal applications)

### No application fee is payable.

**Where and how do I pay the application fee?**

* You may pay in person, at the cashiers in the Student Service Centre at the University of Pretoria, or
* You can deposit the application fee into the university’s bank account (Account Name: University of Pretoria)

ABSA - Account number: 214 000 0054, Hatfield, 632005, Reference: Student number

Standard Bank - Account number: 012 602 604, Hatfield, 011545, Reference: Student number

### I have paid the application fee but I am told that my applications was unsuccessful, can I be reimbursed?

* The application fee is a non-refundable handling fee and has no bearing on whether an applicant gets admitted or not.

### I am lodging my application online but I am experiencing technical difficulties when I try to submit the application and/or supporting documents?

* If you experience any technical difficulties, please contact the Student Service Centre at 012 420 3111 or [ssc@up.ac.za](mailto:ssc@up.ac.za) or contact Ms Erna Esterhuizen at 012 420 5143 or [erna.esterhuizen@up.ac.za](mailto:erna.esterhuizen@up.ac.za)

### How will I know whether I have been admitted or not?

* A candidate will only be admitted to the doctoral programme if the Faculty can provide a suitable supervisor in light of the applicant’s preliminary research proposal.
* A system generated acknowledgement of application will be sent to you which contains your student number (**Receiving a student number (EMPLID) does NOT imply that you have been accepted by the University of Pretoria yet)**. The student number can be used to access the Student portal. It is important that you visit the online UP Portal (MyTUKS login) regularly to track your admission status as well as to see all relevant letters under the "Communications" tab.

### NB: You will not receive a letter in your post box, or an e-mail or SMS informing you of the outcome of your application.

To visit the Student Centre, go to [**www.up.ac.za**](http://www.up.ac.za/) and click on **MyTUKS login** where you will be prompted for a username and password.

**New applicants** should click on the **"New User"** link under the username and password fields. The link will prompt the user for a username and either a South African national ID number or a passport number (in the case of non-South Africans). This should be entered under the student number (starting with a "u"). The portal will then lead the user through the process of creating a new password for future use. Please wait 48 hours after the receipt of this letter before accessing the MyTuks login as your student number needs to be activated during this period. Once this period has lapsed you may use your **student number (e.g. u12345678)** and new password to access the system.

**Users of the website who were UP students before** and who have previously accessed the portal can sign in with their existing username and password.

### When is the closing date?

* Applications are open throughout the year with registrations starting January – February for admitted students.

### When does the academic year commence?

* The academic year commences at the beginning of January and ends at the end of December.

### Does the University of Pretoria offer any bursaries or scholarships?

* Yes, for more information please go to <http://www.up.ac.za/fees-and-funding>.

### Does the University of Pretoria offer accommodation?

* Yes, for more information please go to <http://www.up.ac.za/student-accommodation>.

### Registration and renewal of registration

If admitted, the following two modules must be registered for and completed within the first year of registration:

1. Research methodology (RHP 902) offered by the Faculty of Law.

(*If the student can show sufficient evidence of competence in research skills required at postgraduate level the Postgraduate Committee of the Faculty of Law, on recommendation of the supervisor, may exempt the student from this module.*)

1. Research proposal and oral defence of the research proposal (RHP 904).

An oral defence of the research proposal including an assessment of the feasibility of the thesis statement, research question or questions and argument to be developed in the thesis is required. (*No exemption can be granted from this requirement)*.

3 **Article**

The final copy of the thesis must be accompanied by a proof of submission of an article to an accredited journal. The article should be based on the research that the student has conducted for the thesis and be approved by the supervisor.