
University of Pretoria Yearbook 2020

Faculty of Law

Welcome to the Faculty of Law

Seen from one perspective, the Faculty of Law consists of staff, students and the building. It is, however, also much more than that: It represents an idea, namely the idea of a society governed by the rule of law and not by individuals. Our Faculty pursues this idea by focusing on the law and on excellence in all divisions of jurisprudence. It is also pursued by focusing on jurists and by preparing our students to become leaders of their communities where they can promote the law and its principles effectively.

Faculty regulations and information

The rules for the degrees published here are subject to change and may be amended after the publication of this information.

The General Regulations (G. Regulations) and General Rules apply to all faculties of the University of Pretoria. It is expected of all students to familiarise themselves well with these regulations and rules as well as all faculty-specific and programme-specific regulations and information as stipulated in the online yearbook. Ignorance concerning these regulations will not be accepted as an excuse for any transgression.

1. Exemption/credits for modules passed at other institutions

Students must apply on the prescribed form that is only available at the Student Administration office. The complete syllabus of the module concerned must accompany the application.

Students transferring from another university must complete at least half (50%) of the modules needed for the LLB degree at this University and must be a registered student of this University for at least two years.

2. Examination policy

2.1 General

The examinations in first-semester modules take place in May/June, while examinations in second-semester modules take place in October/November. Each student has the responsibility to ascertain when modules will be written according to the official examination timetable.

The use of correction fluid such as Tipp-Ex in tests, examinations and assignments is prohibited.

No cell phones or any other electronic means of communication are allowed in test or examination venues.

2.2 Examination admission and pass requirements

A semester mark of at least 40% is required in order to be admitted to the examination in any module, with the exception of first-semester modules at 100 level for which the minimum requirement is 30%.

A final mark of at least 50% is required to pass. The final mark is the average mark of the semester and the examination mark but a subminimum of 40% is required in the examination in each module. Should the student fail to achieve the required subminimum, the lecturer could grant a supplementary examination, provided that the final mark is at least 40%.

The pass mark for essays, seminars, etc. is at least 50%.

2.3 Ancillary examinations



After completion of an examination and before the examination results are released, the examiners may summon a student for an ancillary examination on particular aspects of the work of that module

2.4 Re-marking of examination papers (also consult General Regulation G.14)

After an examination, departments provide feedback to students about the framework that was used by the examiners during the examination. The way in which feedback is given, is determined by the head of the department. Students may apply for re-marking of an examination paper after perusal of such paper within 14 calendar days after commencement of lectures in the next semester. The prescribed fee has to be paid. The paper will then be re-marked by an examiner appointed by the head of the department concerned. If the supplementary examination in the relevant module has already been written by the time that the result of the re-mark becomes available, a student will not be granted a supplementary examination based on the results of the re-mark.

2.5 Supplementary examinations

- i. Supplementary examinations in first-semester modules take place after the May/June examinations, while those in second-semester modules take place after the October/November examinations.
- ii. To pass a supplementary examination, a student must obtain a minimum of 50% in the supplementary examination – the semester mark does not count.
- iii. The highest final mark a student can obtain in a supplementary examination is 50%.

All students with a final mark of 40%-49% will qualify to write the supplementary examination. If a student does not write the supplementary examination on the scheduled day, there will not be any later opportunity for a rewrite.

2.6 Aegrotat/extraordinary examinations

Students who do not write their examinations on the scheduled day, may apply for an aegrotat/extraordinary examination at the Student Administration office. Each request is referred to the Dean in consultation with the Student Affairs Committee for a decision. Lecturers are not allowed to grant any permission for this category of examination. It is the responsibility of the student to ascertain whether his/her request has been successful. If permission has been granted, the student must write the aegrotat/extraordinary examination during the supplementary examination. Such a student will not qualify for a further supplementary examination.

Application for the above examination must be handed in at the Student Administration office together with a valid medical certificate not later than three working days after the module should have been written. The worn excuses of having overslept or read the timetable incorrectly will not be accepted.

A student who has been granted permission to write an aegrotat/extraordinary examination and who then fails to write the examination will not qualify to submit any such application at a later stage.

A medical certificate will not be accepted where it states that a student appeared ill or declared him-/herself unfit to write the examination.

A medical certificate will not be accepted if it does not contain the physical address and telephone number of the doctor/medical practice.

Where in the course of his/her studies at the University of Pretoria a student applies for an extraordinary examination in a law module for the fifth (or further) time, that student may be requested to appear before the Student Affairs Committee of the Faculty to substantiate why he/she should be allowed to write another extraordinary examination.

In cases where a reason other than sickness is relied upon, the student must submit an affidavit that reflects the reason for his/her absence from the examination. Further evidentiary documents or supporting



affidavits from persons who may be able to give evidence regarding the situation must also be submitted. In the event of a funeral, a copy of the death certificate of the deceased or other substantiating evidence is required together with an explanation of the relationship between the student and the deceased.

The general rule is that a student does not qualify for an aegrotat/extraordinary examination if the student elected to write the scheduled examination while ill. In exceptional circumstances the Student Affairs Committee may rule otherwise, taking into account factors such as the nature of the illness, the student's academic record and the student's performance in the scheduled examination.

2.7 Special examinations

A final-year student who has complied with all the requirements for the LLB degree, with the exception of a maximum of four modules, may be admitted to a special examination in January of the following year. The applicable fee must be paid before sitting for the examination. Should the student fail the module(s), the particular module(s) must be repeated in full. For all four (or fewer) modules the student must have obtained at least examination entrance in the final year of registration. However, if a student has a single module outstanding to complete the LLB degree, she/he will be allowed to write the January special examination if she/he had at any time during her/his studies obtained at least examination entrance for that outstanding module.

2.8 Class attendance

Class attendance in all law modules and for the full duration of the LLB programme is compulsory for all students. The course coordinator of a particular law module must publish the attendance requirements of that module in the study guide and must set out how class attendance will be monitored.

A student may be refused admission to the examination in a particular law module if he/she failed to fulfil the published attendance requirements in that module.

3. Test policy

3.1 Semester tests

There will be at least two evaluation opportunities per semester or year module in the first three years of the LLB programme and at least one evaluation opportunity per semester for the final-year semester or year modules.

Exceptions:

- Modules in which the Faculty has given permission in advance that the semester mark may be calculated in another manner.
- Where a student is only taking an aegrotat or an extraordinary test as described hereunder.

The dates of official semester tests may only be changed with the permission of all members of a class group present during a scheduled lecture. If such a change of schedule occurs, the onus is on each student to find out about it. Absence from the class in which such arrangements were made will not serve as an excuse.

Students are entitled to perusal of test scripts and assignments but not to a re-mark by either the lecturer or an external examiner. However, in exceptional circumstances the head of the relevant department may, in consultation with the Dean, make a ruling regarding the re-marking of a test script or assignment. In general an application for a re-mark must be brought within two weeks after the test script or assignment has been made available to the student.

3.2 Aegrotat/extraordinary tests

There is only one aegrotat or an extraordinary test opportunity and this takes place at the end of the semester. Students must obtain the details from the lecturer. The test will cover all the work completed up

to the date of the test, unless the lecturer concerned, in consultation with the relevant head of department, indicates otherwise. There are no special provisions to supplement marks where an evaluation opportunity takes the form of an assignment or a series of class tests.

A student who is unable to write an official semester test on the scheduled date or at the scheduled time, must apply in writing for an aegrotat or extraordinary test.

Application must be made in writing before the date of the test to the lecturer responsible for the administration of the module concerned or at the departmental secretary. Where this is not possible, the application must be made within three working days after the date of the test.

In the case of a student being required to write two semester tests that are scheduled to take place on the same day and time, the student must write the scheduled semester test in the module that he/she is repeating, and the extraordinary test in the module that he/she is not repeating.

In the case of illness, a doctor who treated the student must certify on a medical certificate that the particular student was, in the doctor's opinion, not in a fit state to prepare for or to sit for the test as a result of ill health. A medical certificate indicating that the student was, according to his/her own opinion, unfit to prepare for or to sit for the test is unacceptable.

A medical certificate will not be accepted if it does not contain the physical address, telephone number and the practice number of the doctor/medical practice.

In cases where a reason other than sickness is relied upon, the student must submit an affidavit that reflects the reason for his/her absence from the test. Further evidentiary documents or supporting affidavits from persons who may be able to give evidence regarding the situation must also be submitted. In the event of a funeral, a copy of the death certificate of the deceased or other substantiating evidence is required together with an explanation of the relationship between the student and the deceased.

The worn excuses of having overslept or read the timetable incorrectly will not be accepted.

Students must confirm with the lecturer that an aegrotat or an extraordinary test has been granted. A student, who cannot get hold of the lecturer in person, must preferably hand the documentation to the relevant departmental secretary.

A record is kept of every application for an aegrotat or an extraordinary test. This information may later be disclosed to prospective employers who seek letters of reference from the Faculty.

A student who has been granted permission to write an aegrotat or an extraordinary test and who then fails to write the test, will not qualify for any such test at a later stage.

Where a student wishes write two or more aegrotat/extraordinary tests that are scheduled to take place on the same day and time, the student must apply in writing to the Student Affairs Committee to be allowed to write aegrotat/extraordinary tests in all relevant modules. The Student Affairs Committee must consider the application and may grant or deny the application to write one or more aegrotat/extraordinary tests. If the application to write all relevant aegrotat/extraordinary tests is granted, the Committee must rule on how the clash is to be resolved.

The general rule is that a student does not qualify for an aegrotat test if the student elected to write the scheduled test while ill. In exceptional circumstances the Student Affairs Committee may rule otherwise, taking into account factors such as the nature of the illness, the student's academic record and the student's performance in the scheduled examination.

4. Releasing of test and examination marks

Lecturers will advise students where test scripts will be made available. The lecturer will give the students feedback on semester tests, either by way of a written memorandum or a class discussion. Each

department will also make known to students the process by which changes to marks, etc will be handled in that department.

Lecturers will advise students in advance of the date on which perusal of examination papers will take place. At such a perusal session there will be a written memorandum or the lecturer must otherwise, by a method that he/she shall determine, give the students feedback on the paper. Students who are unable to attend the official perusal session may apply to the lecturer, in the same manner as for aegrotat and extraordinary tests, for an opportunity to see the examination script. No lecturer is under any obligation to grant any student such a perusal opportunity more than two weeks after the commencement of the following semester.

Final marks will be available on the student portal.

Lecturers are entitled to destroy examination scripts one year after the completion of the relevant examination session.

5. Handling of problems and consulting hours of the Dean and lecturers

Students who have a problem must first determine whether the problem relates to their registration with the University or to the module. In both instances the Student Administration should be consulted first.

A problem regarding the content of a particular module must first be taken up with the specific lecturer responsible for the module. If the student cannot be assisted with his/her problem at this level, he/she must consult with the relevant head of department and afterwards with the Dean, if necessary.

Lecturers in a specific department work under the guidance of a head of department. Lecturers or the head of the department can be consulted during their consulting hours or otherwise, by appointment. If a lecturer must be consulted by appointment, the appointment must be arranged with the relevant lecturer or the departmental secretary.

Students may consult the Dean by making an appointment, in advance, with the Dean's secretary.

6. Testimonials required for good conduct

Students guilty of dishonest conduct are charged with misconduct. If the student is found guilty, disciplinary steps are taken, of which suspension from the university is one possibility. Dishonest conduct includes: copying of work during tests or examinations; copying of assignments/plagiarism; the illegal use of notes during tests and examinations; the submission of forged medical certificates or false affidavits.

Prospective law students must note that the governing bodies of the legal profession require every prospective candidate who applies for admission to the profession to submit a testimonial from the Faculty of Law to satisfy the governing body that he/she is fit and proper to do so. The testimonial should disclose any previous criminal convictions or disciplinary steps taken against the applicant. In such instances a decision will be taken by the governing body and it is possible that the application can be refused. Please note that it may take up to 10 working days for the Faculty of Law administrative staff to have such a testimonial prepared.



Undergraduate Degree

LLB (04130012)

Minimum duration of study 4 years

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

- In order to register for a first bachelor's degree at the University a candidate should have completed the National Senior Certificate(NSC), 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 programme.
- Please note that Life Orientation is a 10-credit subject and is excluded from the calculation when determining the APS.
- The following persons may also be considered for admission: a candidate who is in possession of a certificate that is deemed by the University to be equivalent to the required National Senior Certificate with university endorsement; a candidate who is a graduate from another tertiary institution or has been granted the status of a graduate of such an institution; and a candidate who is a graduate of another faculty at the University of Pretoria.
- Only applicants who comply with all the admission requirements will be considered for admission.

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 (with South African or foreign school qualifications) who were previously registered at UP or at another university and did not graduate** (Closing date: 30 September)

Candidates who have already completed the final Grade 12 examination and were previously registered at UP or another university, but did not graduate, may be admitted 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 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 candidates' 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, 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, SAT** or **Institutional Proficiency Test** (currently the **NBT**), 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 **Institutional Proficiency Test** (currently the **NBT** is not applicable to LLB applicants) and either of the **IELTS, TOEFL** or the **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 conditional exemption on the basis of a candidate's non-South African ("foreign") qualifications, the so-called "Immigrant" or "Foreign Conditional Exemption". The only condition for the

“Foreign Conditional 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 mb.usaf.ac.za.

Minimum requirements

Achievement level

English Home Language or English First Additional Language

APS

NSC/IEB AS Level

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* Candidates with an APS of 32 or higher will, on receipt of their applications, be accepted on a continuous basis until 30 September or until all available places have been taken. Candidates with an APS of 38 or higher will be accepted on a continuous basis until registration in January of the next academic year, irrespective of the number of candidates already accepted.

* *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

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 300

IGZ 320

ISR 310

ODR 320

PBL 310 and 320

SAR 310

VHD 320

ABR 410

PBL 410 and 420

PVR 420

SIP 400

SKY 410

SPR 400

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 300
IGZ 320
JUR 310
PBL 310 and 320
ABR 410
PBL 410 and 420
PVR 420
SIP 400
SKY 410
SPR 400

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 modules

[Academic information management 102](#) (AIM 102) - Credits: 6.00

[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

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 200 (PBL 200) - Credits: 20.00

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: 132

Core modules

Tax law 310 (BLR 310) - Credits: 10.00

Law of evidence 300 (BWR 300) - Credits: 10.00

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

Core modules

Labour law 410 (ABR 410) - Credits: 10.00

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 400 (SIP 400) - Credits: 15.00
Research: Essay and seminar 410 (SKY 410) - Credits: 30.00
Criminal procedure law 400 (SPR 400) - Credits: 15.00

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 land reform law 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



Master's

LLM (04250003)

Minimum duration of study 2 years

Programme information

Also consult General Regulations G.30-G.56 as well as the LLM Policy Document of the Faculty of Law.

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.)

2. 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.

3. 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.

Admission requirements

1. LLB degree **or** BProc degree **or** relevant degree from a foreign university that allows entrance to a master's degree
2. A weighted average of at least 65% at final-year level **or** a weighted average of below 65%:
 - relevant work experience
 - other academic qualifications
3. An admissions examination may be required
4. A portfolio consisting of:



- recent research-based essays or assignments
- a letter of motivation

Research information

With regard to the abovementioned curriculum, the relevant General Regulations apply and the dissertation counts 100% for the final mark. The dissertation consists of 36 000-48 000 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.

Agreement

A written agreement between the student and supervisor should be signed. The document serves as the basis for the interaction between the student and the supervisor. It indicates their individual roles, responsibilities and expectations and making it clear that they are entering into a binding undertaking with each other. The supervisor has the responsibility to ensure that the mini-dissertation is properly prepared by the student.

Pass with distinction

For the degree to be awarded with distinction a student must obtain a minimum of 75% for the dissertation.

Curriculum: Year 1

Core modules

Dissertation: Law 890 (LLM 890) - Credits: 200.00

Research methodology 802 (RHP 802) - Credits: 5.00

Research proposal and oral defence of the research proposal 804 (RHP 804) - Credits: 0.00

Curriculum: Final year

Core modules

Dissertation: Law 890 (LLM 890) - Credits: 200.00

Research proposal and oral defence of the research proposal 804 (RHP 804) - Credits: 0.00

LLM Banking Law (Coursework) (04250103)

Minimum duration of study 1 year

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Programme information

Closing date for applications: SA applicants – 30 November; non-SA applicants – 31 August.

Also refer to the Postgraduate Brochure for the complete study programme as well as the [Postgraduate administrative processes after registration](#).

The curriculum will generally consist of:

- Three modules counting 30 credits each (at least one of these modules must be completed during the first year of registration).
- A module in research methodology (RHP 801 - 5 credits) (this module must be completed during the first year

of registration).

- A research proposal (RHP 803 - 5 credits). The student must submit the research proposal to the supervisor no later than the end of the first semester of the second year of registration for the degree, prior to commencing with the writing of the mini-dissertation. This period may be extended with the approval of the relevant head of department.
- A mini-dissertation. The mini-dissertation must deal with the subject content of one of the modules or a combination of the modules registered for by the student for his/her LLB/MPhil degree. Any request for an extension of the period for submission of the mini-dissertation may only be granted by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the relevant head of department.

Admission requirements

In addition to an LLB, BProc or equivalent qualification from a foreign university that allows the applicant entrance to the formal legal profession, the following requirements are set for admission of a prospective student to the LLB Coursework programme:

A minimum average mark of 65% with respect to the prescribed final-year modules of the undergraduate programme is required for admission to an LLB coursework programme.

Where an average of below 65% is achieved, the student may be admitted on recommendation of the relevant head of department after consultation with the programme coordinator and consideration of other merits (eg relevant professional experience; the applicant's performance in undergraduate modules related to the particular LLB; the candidate's performance in independent research essays or similar components) and/or an admission examination.

Linguistic competence, primarily in English; foreign applicants who did not complete undergraduate studies through the medium of English must show proof of competence in English at a minimum average level of 6 out of 10 for IELTS or a minimum total score of 83 in TOEFL calculated as follows: reading 21, listening 17, speaking 23 and writing 22. In any other instance where there is doubt as to the English linguistic competence of an applicant, the Dean may require the same proof as prescribed for foreign applicants.

Foreign qualifications are subject to SAQA evaluation. (Some LLB coursework programmes or modules as indicated in the yearbook may only be available to students who hold a relevant South African legal qualification.)

Even though a student may comply with the above requirements, the Dean may, on the recommendation of the head of department presenting a specific degree or module, refuse to accept a prospective student for any LLB programme if such a student's performance in the chosen modules or field of study during undergraduate study was not satisfactory. Alternatively, the Dean could set additional requirements with a view to admission.

An admission examination may also be required in respect of a particular programme or module.

Other programme-specific information

Mini-dissertation

- The mini-dissertation must comprise 13 000 – 15 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography.
- The examination copies of the mini-dissertation, to send out to the external examiners, must be submitted to Student Administration not later than the end of October for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, end of April for the Spring Graduation Ceremony. A final electronic version must be submitted to Student Administration on or before 15 February for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, 15 July for the Spring Graduation Ceremony after the evaluation of the examination copies of the mini-dissertation to comply with degree requirements.



Examinations and pass requirements

In the event of having failed all modules during a particular year of study, a student will only be allowed to continue with his/her studies with the consent of the Postgraduate Committee.

Although no supplementary examination will be granted with regard to LLM and MPhil modules, the General Regulations and rules apply with regard to special and ancillary examinations.

Research information

The relevant head of department must recommend a supervisor and title for a mini-dissertation and these must be approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The mini-dissertation must be assessed and finalised as set out in the Faculty Board-approved LLM/MPhil Policy Document of the Faculty.

Mini-dissertations, where required, must be submitted in the format determined by the supervisor and approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The supervisor may likewise, subject to the approval of the Postgraduate Committee, also determine the research topic and the scope of the proposed research. (Refer to the [Faculty of Law regulations regarding mini-dissertations](#) and also [Postgraduate administrative processes brochure for the Faculty](#))

Pass with distinction

For the degree to be awarded with distinction a student must obtain an average of at least 75% for all the coursework modules, as well as a minimum of 75% for the mini-dissertation. The modules must have been written for the first time.

General information

Period of registration

The duration of the programme will in general be four semesters (2 years) but may be completed within two semesters (1 year) where possible, subject to fulfilment of all the requirements for the degree and payment of the full amount prescribed for the LLM degree. Programmes may also be structured to allow for one year of study only. The one- or two-year period may only be extended by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the relevant head of department based on good reason shown and if it is clear that the student will be able to complete the programme in a further year of study.

Language of tuition

The official language of tuition is English. However, should circumstances allow it, an LLM module may be presented in Afrikaans. The dean, in consultation with the relevant head of department, determines the language of tuition.

Limiting of modules on offer in a particular academic year and availability to foreign students

The dean determines which 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, on recommendation of the relevant head of department, determine the maximum number of registrations for a specific elective module in terms of the prescribed guidelines. The dean may also, on recommendation of the relevant head of department, determine that a particular LLM module will not be offered where on the first day of lectures four or fewer students are registered for such module.

Re-registration for modules

A student may not register more than twice for the same module. In order to pass a module the student must obtain a final mark of 50%.



Curriculum: Year 1

Core modules

Advanced consumer credit law 802 (AML 802) - Credits: 30.00

Banking law 802 (BNK 802) - Credits: 30.00

Banking law – Capita Selecta 803 (BNK 803) - Credits: 30.00

Research methodology 801 (RHP 801) - Credits: 5.00

Curriculum: Final year

Core modules

Mini-dissertation 800 (MND 800) - Credits: 100.00

Research proposal 803 (RHP 803) - Credits: 5.00

LLM Child Law (Coursework) (04252009)

Minimum duration of study 2 years

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Programme information

Closing date for applications: SA applicants (only) – 30 November.

Also refer to the Postgraduate Brochure for the complete study programme as well as the [Postgraduate administrative processes after registration](#).

The curriculum will generally consist of:

- Three modules counting 30 credits each (at least one of these modules must be completed during the first year of registration).
- A module in research methodology (RHP 801 - 5 credits) (this module must be completed during the first year of registration).
- A research proposal (RHP 803 - 5 credits). The student must submit the research proposal to the supervisor no later than the end of the first semester of the second year of registration for the degree, prior to commencing with the writing of the mini-dissertation. This period may be extended with the approval of the relevant head of department.
- A mini-dissertation. The mini-dissertation must deal with the subject content of one of the modules or a combination of the modules registered for by the student for his/her LLM/MPhil degree. Any request for an extension of the period for submission of the mini-dissertation may only be granted by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the relevant head of department.

Admission requirements

- 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.

Other programme-specific information

Mini-dissertation



- The mini-dissertation must comprise 13 000 – 15 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography.
- The examination copies of the mini-dissertation, to send out to the external examiners, must be submitted to Student Administration not later than the end of October for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, end of April for the Spring Graduation Ceremony. A final electronic version must be submitted to Student Administration on or before 15 February for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, 15 July for the Spring Graduation Ceremony after the evaluation of the examination copies of the mini-dissertation to comply with degree requirements.

Examinations and pass requirements

In the event of having failed all modules during a particular year of study, a student will only be allowed to continue with his/her studies with the consent of the Postgraduate Committee.

Although no supplementary examination will be granted with regard to LLM and MPhil modules, the General Regulations and rules apply with regard to special and ancillary examinations.

Research information

The relevant head of department must recommend a supervisor and title for a mini-dissertation and these must be approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The mini-dissertation must be assessed and finalised as set out in the Faculty Board-approved LLM/MPhil Policy Document of the Faculty.

Mini-dissertations, where required, must be submitted in the format determined by the supervisor and approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The supervisor may likewise, subject to the approval of the Postgraduate Committee, also determine the research topic and the scope of the proposed research. (Refer to the [Faculty of Law regulations regarding mini-dissertations](#) and also [Postgraduate administrative processes brochure for the Faculty](#))

Pass with distinction

For the degree to be awarded with distinction a student must obtain an average of at least 75% for all the coursework modules, as well as a minimum of 75% for the mini-dissertation. The modules must have been written for the first time.

General information

Period of registration

The duration of the programme will in general be four semesters (2 years) but may be completed within two semesters (1 year) where possible, subject to fulfilment of all the requirements for the degree and payment of the full amount prescribed for the LLM degree. Programmes may also be structured to allow for one year of study only. The one- or two-year period may only be extended by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the relevant head of department based on good reason shown and if it is clear that the student will be able to complete the programme in a further year of study.

Limiting of modules on offer in a particular academic year and availability to foreign students

The Dean determines which 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, on recommendation of the relevant head of department, determine the maximum number of registrations for a specific elective module in terms of the prescribed guidelines. The Dean may also, on recommendation of the relevant head of department, determine that a particular LLM module will not be offered where on the first day of



lectures four or fewer students are registered for such module.

Re-registration for modules

A student may not register more than twice for the same module. In order to pass a module the student must obtain a final mark of 50%.

Curriculum: Year 1

Fundamental modules

Aspects of private law pertaining to children 801 (PLC 801) - Credits: 30.00

Research methodology 801 (RHP 801) - Credits: 5.00

Aspects of criminal and criminal procedural law pertaining to children 802 (SSK 802) - Credits: 30.00

Curriculum: Final year

Core modules

Mini-dissertation 800 (MND 800) - Credits: 100.00

Research proposal 803 (RHP 803) - Credits: 5.00

LLM Constitutional and Administrative Law (Coursework) (04252014)

Minimum duration of study 2 years

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Programme information

Closing date for applications: SA applicants – 30 November; non-SA applicants – 31 August.

Also refer to the Postgraduate Brochure for the complete study programme as well as the [Postgraduate administrative processes after registration](#).

The curriculum will generally consist of:

- Three modules counting 30 credits each (at least one of these modules must be completed during the first year of registration).
- A module in research methodology (RHP 801 - 5 credits) (this module must be completed during the first year of registration).
- A research proposal (RHP 803 - 5 credits). The student must submit the research proposal to the supervisor no later than the end of the first semester of the second year of registration for the degree, prior to commencing with the writing of the mini-dissertation. This period may be extended with the approval of the relevant head of department.
- A mini-dissertation. The mini-dissertation must deal with the subject content of one of the modules or a combination of the modules registered for by the student for his/her LLM/MPhil degree. Any request for an extension of the period for submission of the mini-dissertation may only be granted by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the relevant head of department.

Admission requirements

- 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.



Other programme-specific information

Mini-dissertation

- The mini-dissertation must comprise 13 000 – 15 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography.
- The examination copies of the mini-dissertation, to send out to the external examiners, must be submitted to Student Administration not later than the end of October for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, end of April for the Spring Graduation Ceremony. A final electronic version must be submitted to Student Administration on or before 15 February for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, 15 July for the Spring Graduation Ceremony after the evaluation of the examination copies of the mini-dissertation to comply with degree requirements.

Examinations and pass requirements

In the event of having failed all modules during a particular year of study, a student will only be allowed to continue with his/her studies with the consent of the Postgraduate Committee.

Although no supplementary examination will be granted with regard to LLM and MPhil modules, the General Regulations and rules apply with regard to special and ancillary examinations.

Research information

The relevant head of department must recommend a supervisor and title for a mini-dissertation and these must be approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The mini-dissertation must be assessed and finalised as set out in the Faculty Board-approved LLM/MPhil Policy Document of the Faculty.

Mini-dissertations, where required, must be submitted in the format determined by the supervisor and approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The supervisor may likewise, subject to the approval of the Postgraduate Committee, also determine the research topic and the scope of the proposed research. (Refer to the [Faculty of Law regulations regarding mini-dissertations](#) and also [Postgraduate administrative processes brochure for the Faculty](#))

Pass with distinction

For the degree to be awarded with distinction a student must obtain an average of at least 75% for all the coursework modules, as well as a minimum of 75% for the mini-dissertation. The modules must have been written for the first time.

General information

Period of registration

The duration of the programme will in general be four semesters (2 years) but may be completed within two semesters (1 year) where possible, subject to fulfilment of all the requirements for the degree and payment of the full amount prescribed for the LLM degree. Programmes may also be structured to allow for one year of study only. The one- or two-year period may only be extended by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the relevant head of department based on good reason shown and if it is clear that the student will be able to complete the programme in a further year of study.

Language of tuition

The official language of tuition is English. However, should circumstances allow it, an LLM module may be presented in Afrikaans. The dean, in consultation with the relevant head of department, determines the language of tuition.



Limiting of modules on offer in a particular academic year and availability to foreign students

The dean determines which 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, on recommendation of the relevant head of department, determine the maximum number of registrations for a specific elective module in terms of the prescribed guidelines. The dean may also, on recommendation of the relevant head of department, determine that a particular LLM module will not be offered where on the first day of lectures four or fewer students are registered for such module.

Re-registration for modules

A student may not register more than twice for the same module. In order to pass a module the student must obtain a final mark of 50%.

Curriculum: Year 1

Core modules

[Administrative law 802](#) (ASL 802) - Credits: 30.00

[Constitutional law 801](#) (CSL 801) - Credits: 30.00

[Research methodology 801](#) (RHP 801) - Credits: 5.00

[Socio-economic rights in the South African Constitution 802](#) (SRC 802) - Credits: 30.00

Curriculum: Final year

Core modules

[Mini-dissertation 800](#) (MND 800) - Credits: 100.00

[Research proposal 803](#) (RHP 803) - Credits: 5.00

LLM Consumer Protection Law (Coursework) (04252011)

Minimum duration of study 1 year

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Programme information

Closing date for applications: SA applicants (only) – 30 November.

Also refer to the Postgraduate Brochure for the complete study programme as well as the [Postgraduate administrative processes after registration](#).

The curriculum will generally consist of:

- Three modules counting 30 credits each (at least one of these modules must be completed during the first year of registration).
- A module in research methodology (RHP 801 - 5 credits) (this module must be completed during the first year of registration).
- A research proposal (RHP 803 - 5 credits). The student must submit the research proposal to the supervisor no later than the end of the first semester of the second year of registration for the degree, prior to commencing with the writing of the mini-dissertation. This period may be extended with the approval of the relevant head of department.
- A mini-dissertation. The mini-dissertation must deal with the subject content of one of the modules or a combination of the modules registered for by the student for his/her LLM/MPhil degree. Any request for an extension of the period for submission of the mini-dissertation may only be granted by the Postgraduate



Committee on recommendation of the relevant head of department.

Admission requirements

- 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.

Other programme-specific information

Mini-dissertation

- The mini-dissertation must comprise 13 000 – 15 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography.
- The examination copies of the mini-dissertation, to send out to the external examiners, must be submitted to Student Administration not later than the end of October for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, end of April for the Spring Graduation Ceremony. A final electronic version must be submitted to Student Administration on or before 15 February for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, 15 July for the Spring Graduation Ceremony after the evaluation of the examination copies of the mini-dissertation to comply with degree requirements.

Examinations and pass requirements

In the event of having failed all modules during a particular year of study, a student will only be allowed to continue with his/her studies with the consent of the Postgraduate Committee.

Although no supplementary examination will be granted with regard to LLM and MPhil modules, the General Regulations and rules apply with regard to special and ancillary examinations.

Research information

The relevant head of department must recommend a supervisor and title for a mini-dissertation and these must be approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The mini-dissertation must be assessed and finalised as set out in the Faculty Board-approved LLM/MPhil Policy Document of the Faculty.

Mini-dissertations, where required, must be submitted in the format determined by the supervisor and approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The supervisor may likewise, subject to the approval of the Postgraduate Committee, also determine the research topic and the scope of the proposed research. (Refer to the [Faculty of Law regulations regarding mini-dissertations](#) and also [Postgraduate administrative processes brochure for the Faculty](#))

Pass with distinction

For the degree to be awarded with distinction a student must obtain an average of at least 75% for all the coursework modules, as well as a minimum of 75% for the mini-dissertation. The modules must have been written for the first time.

General information

Period of registration

The duration of the programme will in general be four semesters (2 years) but may be completed within two semesters (1 year) where possible, subject to fulfilment of all the requirements for the degree and payment of



the full amount prescribed for the LLM degree. Programmes may also be structured to allow for one year of study only. The one- or two-year period may only be extended by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the relevant head of department based on good reason shown and if it is clear that the student will be able to complete the programme in a further year of study.

Language of tuition

The official language of tuition is English. However, should circumstances allow it, an LLM module may be presented in Afrikaans. The dean, in consultation with the relevant head of department, determines the language of tuition.

Limiting of modules on offer in a particular academic year and availability to foreign students

The dean determines which 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, on recommendation of the relevant head of department, determine the maximum number of registrations for a specific elective module in terms of the prescribed guidelines. The dean may also, on recommendation of the relevant head of department, determine that a particular LLM module will not be offered where on the first day of lectures four or fewer students are registered for such module.

Re-registration for modules

A student may not register more than twice for the same module. In order to pass a module the student must obtain a final mark of 50%.

Curriculum: Year 1

Core modules

[Advanced consumer credit law 802 \(AML 802\)](#) - Credits: 30.00

[Advanced consumer protection 803 \(AML 803\)](#) - Credits: 30.00

[International consumer protection 804 \(AML 804\)](#) - Credits: 30.00

[Research methodology 801 \(RHP 801\)](#) - Credits: 5.00

Curriculum: Final year

Core modules

[Mini-dissertation 800 \(MND 800\)](#) - Credits: 100.00

[Research proposal 803 \(RHP 803\)](#) - Credits: 5.00

LLM Corporate Law (Coursework) (04252012)

Minimum duration of study 2 years

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Programme information

Closing date for applications: SA applicants (only) - 30 November.

A limited number of approximately between 10 and 15 students are selected per year.

As this LLM cycle runs over a two year period (consisting of 3 semester modules and one mini-dissertation), new applicants are only admitted every second year.

Applicants are required to write an admission test during January/February of the year in which the study commences. The test is designed to assess the basic competency of the candidates in respect of corporate and securities law and is also intended to equalise the different competencies, degrees and experience of students.



Subject to the general selection guidelines, the 10-15 students with the highest marks will be admitted to the programme.

Also refer to the Postgraduate Brochure for the complete study programme as well as the [Postgraduate administrative processes after registration](#).

The curriculum will generally consist of:

- Three modules counting 30 credits each (at least one of these modules must be completed during the first year of registration).
- A module in research methodology (RHP 801 - 5 credits) (this module must be completed during the first year of registration).
- A research proposal (RHP 803 - 5 credits). The student must submit the research proposal to the supervisor no later than the end of the first semester of the second year of registration for the degree, prior to commencing with the writing of the mini-dissertation. This period may be extended with the approval of the relevant head of department.
- A mini-dissertation. The mini-dissertation must deal with the subject content of one of the modules or a combination of the modules registered for by the student for his/her LLB/MPhil degree. Any request for an extension of the period for submission of the mini-dissertation may only be granted by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the relevant head of department.

Admission requirements

- 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.

Other programme-specific information

Mini-dissertation

- The mini-dissertation must comprise 13 000 – 15 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography.
- The examination copies of the mini-dissertation, to send out to the external examiners, must be submitted to Student Administration not later than the end of October for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, end of April for the Spring Graduation Ceremony. A final electronic version must be submitted to Student Administration on or before 15 February for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, 15 July for the Spring Graduation Ceremony after the evaluation of the examination copies of the mini-dissertation to comply with degree requirements.

Examinations and pass requirements

In the event of having failed all modules during a particular year of study, a student will only be allowed to continue with his/her studies with the consent of the Postgraduate Committee.

Although no supplementary examination will be granted with regard to LLM and MPhil modules, the General Regulations and rules apply with regard to special and ancillary examinations.

Research information

The relevant head of department must recommend a supervisor and title for a mini-dissertation and these must be approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The mini-dissertation must be assessed and finalised as set out in

the Faculty Board-approved LLM/MPhil Policy Document of the Faculty.

Mini-dissertations, where required, must be submitted in the format determined by the supervisor and approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The supervisor may likewise, subject to the approval of the Postgraduate Committee, also determine the research topic and the scope of the proposed research. (Refer to the [Faculty of Law regulations regarding mini-dissertations](#) and also [Postgraduate administrative processes brochure for the Faculty](#))

Pass with distinction

For the degree to be awarded with distinction a student must obtain an average of at least 75% for all the coursework modules, as well as a minimum of 75% for the mini-dissertation. The modules must have been written for the first time.

General information

Period of registration

The duration of the programme will in general be four semesters (2 years) but may be completed within two semesters (1 year) where possible, subject to fulfilment of all the requirements for the degree and payment of the full amount prescribed for the LLM degree. Programmes may also be structured to allow for one year of study only. The one- or two-year period may only be extended by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the relevant head of department based on good reason shown and if it is clear that the student will be able to complete the programme in a further year of study.

Language of tuition

The official language of tuition is English. However, should circumstances allow it, an LLM module may be presented in Afrikaans. The dean, in consultation with the relevant head of department, determines the language of tuition.

Limiting of modules on offer in a particular academic year and availability to foreign students

The dean determines which 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, on recommendation of the relevant head of department, determine the maximum number of registrations for a specific elective module in terms of the prescribed guidelines. The dean may also, on recommendation of the relevant head of department, determine that a particular LLM module will not be offered where on the first day of lectures four or fewer students are registered for such module.

Re-registration for modules

A student may not register more than twice for the same module. In order to pass a module the student must obtain a final mark of 50%.

Curriculum: Year 1

Core modules

[Law of securities 801 \(LRR 801\)](#) - Credits: 30.00

[Company law 801 \(MKR 801\)](#) - Credits: 30.00

[Research methodology 801 \(RHP 801\)](#) - Credits: 5.00

[International take-overs and reorganisations 802 \(TOR 802\)](#) - Credits: 30.00

Curriculum: Final year



Core modules

Mini-dissertation 800 (MND 800) - Credits: 100.00

Research proposal 803 (RHP 803) - Credits: 5.00

LLM Disability Rights (Coursework) (04252024)

Minimum duration of study 2 years

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Programme information

This programme is available for international students.

Closing date for applications: SA applicants – 30 November; non-SA applicants – 31 August.

The duration of the programme will be four semesters (2 years).

Admission requirements

- 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.

Other programme-specific information

This is a selection programme and only selected applicants will be admitted to the programme.

Mini-dissertation (MND 800)

An approved research proposal must be submitted before registration for the mini-dissertation.

The mini-dissertation must comprise 13 000 to 15 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography. It must deal with the subject content of one of the modules registered for and should reflect a legal perspective on disability rights.

Any request for an extension of the period for the submission of the mini-dissertation may only be granted by the Dean on recommendation of the Postgraduate Committee.

Research information

The relevant head of department must recommend a supervisor and title for a mini-dissertation and these must be approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The mini-dissertation must be assessed and finalised as set out in the Faculty Board-approved LLM Policy Document of the Faculty. Mini-dissertations, where required, must be submitted in the format determined by the supervisor and approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The supervisor may likewise and subject to the approval of the Postgraduate Committee also determine the research



topic and the scope of the proposed research.

Pass with distinction

For the degree to be awarded with distinction a student must obtain an average of at least 75% for all the coursework modules together, as well as a minimum of 75% for the mini-dissertation. The modules must have been written for the first time.

Curriculum: Year 1

Core modules

Principles of international human rights law 801 (DRL 801) - Credits: 10.00

Principles of social science 802 (DRL 802) - Credits: 5.00

Protection of persons with disabilities in a global context 803 (DRL 803) - Credits: 25.00

African regional disability rights protection 804 (DRL 804) - Credits: 25.00

Research methodology for human rights 801 (NRM 801) - Credits: 5.00

Curriculum: Final year

Core modules

Contemporary challenges in disability law, policy and practice in Africa 805 (DRL 805) - Credits: 25.00

Mini-dissertation 800 (MND 800) - Credits: 100.00

Research proposal 803 (RHP 803) - Credits: 5.00

LLM Environmental Law (Coursework) (04252017)

Minimum duration of study 2 years

Contact Prof MJ Murcott u12367207@tuks.co.za +27 (0)124202415

Programme information

Closing date for applications: SA applicants – 30 November; non-SA applicants – 31 August.

Also refer to the Postgraduate Brochure for the complete study programme as well as the [Postgraduate administrative processes after registration](#).

The curriculum will generally consist of:

- Three modules counting 30 credits each (at least one of these modules must be completed during the first year of registration).
- A module in research methodology (RHP 801 - 5 credits) (this module must be completed during the first year of registration).
- A research proposal (RHP 803 - 5 credits). The student must submit the research proposal to the supervisor no later than the end of the first semester of the second year of registration for the degree, prior to commencing with the writing of the mini-dissertation. This period may be extended with the approval of the relevant head of department.
- A mini-dissertation. The mini-dissertation must deal with the subject content of one of the modules or a combination of the modules registered for by the student for his/her LLM/MPhil degree. Any request for an extension of the period for submission of the mini-dissertation may only be granted by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the relevant head of department.



Admission requirements

- 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.

Other programme-specific information

Mini-dissertation

- The mini-dissertation must comprise 13 000 – 15 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography.
- The examination copies of the mini-dissertation, to send out to the external examiners, must be submitted to Student Administration not later than the end of October for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, end of April for the Spring Graduation Ceremony. A final electronic version must be submitted to Student Administration on or before 15 February for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, 15 July for the Spring Graduation Ceremony after the evaluation of the examination copies of the mini-dissertation to comply with degree requirements.

Examinations and pass requirements

In the event of having failed all modules during a particular year of study, a student will only be allowed to continue with his/her studies with the consent of the Postgraduate Committee.

Although no supplementary examination will be granted with regard to LLM and MPhil modules, the General Regulations and rules apply with regard to special and ancillary examinations.

Research information

The relevant head of department must recommend a supervisor and title for a mini-dissertation and these must be approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The mini-dissertation must be assessed and finalised as set out in the Faculty Board-approved LLM/MPhil Policy Document of the Faculty.

Mini-dissertations, where required, must be submitted in the format determined by the supervisor and approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The supervisor may likewise, subject to the approval of the Postgraduate Committee, also determine the research topic and the scope of the proposed research. (Refer to the [Faculty of Law regulations regarding mini-dissertations](#) and also [Postgraduate administrative processes brochure for the Faculty](#))

Pass with distinction

For the degree to be awarded with distinction a student must obtain an average of at least 75% for all the coursework modules, as well as a minimum of 75% for the mini-dissertation. The modules must have been written for the first time.

General information

Period of registration

The duration of the programme will in general be four semesters (2 years) but may be completed within two semesters (1 year) where possible, subject to fulfilment of all the requirements for the degree and payment of the full amount prescribed for the LLM degree. Programmes may also be structured to allow for one year of study only. The one- or two-year period may only be extended by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of



the relevant head of department based on good reason shown and if it is clear that the student will be able to complete the programme in a further year of study.

Language of tuition

The official language of tuition is English. However, should circumstances allow it, an LLM module may be presented in Afrikaans. The dean, in consultation with the relevant head of department, determines the language of tuition.

Limiting of modules on offer in a particular academic year and availability to foreign students

The dean determines which 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, on recommendation of the relevant head of department, determine the maximum number of registrations for a specific elective module in terms of the prescribed guidelines. The dean may also, on recommendation of the relevant head of department, determine that a particular LLM module will not be offered where on the first day of lectures four or fewer students are registered for such module.

Re-registration for modules

A student may not register more than twice for the same module. In order to pass a module the student must obtain a final mark of 50%.

Curriculum: Year 1

Core modules

[Administrative law 802 \(ASL 802\)](#) - Credits: 30.00

[Research methodology 801 \(RHP 801\)](#) - Credits: 5.00

[Socio-economic rights in the South African Constitution 802 \(SRC 802\)](#) - Credits: 30.00

Curriculum: Final year

Core modules

[Administrative law 802 \(ASL 802\)](#) - Credits: 30.00

[Mini-dissertation 800 \(MND 800\)](#) - Credits: 100.00

[Research proposal 803 \(RHP 803\)](#) - Credits: 5.00

[Socio-economic rights in the South African Constitution 802 \(SRC 802\)](#) - Credits: 30.00

LLM Estate Law (Coursework) (04252001)

Minimum duration of study 2 years

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Programme information

Closing date for applications: SA applicants (only) – 30 November.

Also refer to the Postgraduate Brochure for the complete study programme as well as the [Postgraduate administrative processes after registration](#).

The curriculum will generally consist of:

- Three modules counting 30 credits each (at least one of these modules must be completed during the first year of registration).
- A module in research methodology (RHP 801 - 5 credits) (this module must be completed during the first year



of registration).

- A research proposal (RHP 803 - 5 credits). The student must submit the research proposal to the supervisor no later than the end of the first semester of the second year of registration for the degree, prior to commencing with the writing of the mini-dissertation. This period may be extended with the approval of the relevant head of department.
- A mini-dissertation. The mini-dissertation must deal with the subject content of one of the modules or a combination of the modules registered for by the student for his/her LLB/MPhil degree. Any request for an extension of the period for submission of the mini-dissertation may only be granted by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the relevant head of department.

Admission requirements

- 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.

Other programme-specific information

Mini-dissertation

- The mini-dissertation must comprise 13 000 – 15 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography.
- The examination copies of the mini-dissertation, to send out to the external examiners, must be submitted to Student Administration not later than the end of October for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, end of April for the Spring Graduation Ceremony. A final electronic version must be submitted to Student Administration on or before 15 February for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, 15 July for the Spring Graduation Ceremony after the evaluation of the examination copies of the mini-dissertation to comply with degree requirements.

Examinations and pass requirements

In the event of having failed all modules during a particular year of study, a student will only be allowed to continue with his/her studies with the consent of the Postgraduate Committee.

Although no supplementary examination will be granted with regard to LLB and MPhil modules, the General Regulations and rules apply with regard to special and ancillary examinations.

Research information

The relevant head of department must recommend a supervisor and title for a mini-dissertation and these must be approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The mini-dissertation must be assessed and finalised as set out in the Faculty Board-approved LLB/MPhil Policy Document of the Faculty.

Mini-dissertations, where required, must be submitted in the format determined by the supervisor and approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The supervisor may likewise, subject to the approval of the Postgraduate Committee, also determine the research topic and the scope of the proposed research. (Refer to the [Faculty of Law regulations regarding mini-dissertations](#) and also [Postgraduate administrative processes brochure for the Faculty](#))



Pass with distinction

For the degree to be awarded with distinction a student must obtain an average of at least 75% for all the coursework modules, as well as a minimum of 75% for the mini-dissertation. The modules must have been written for the first time.

General information

Period of registration

The duration of the programme will in general be four semesters (2 years) but may be completed within two semesters (1 year) where possible, subject to fulfilment of all the requirements for the degree and payment of the full amount prescribed for the LLM degree. Programmes may also be structured to allow for one year of study only. The one- or two-year period may only be extended by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the relevant head of department based on good reason shown and if it is clear that the student will be able to complete the programme in a further year of study.

Language of tuition

The official language of tuition is English. However, should circumstances allow it, an LLM module may be presented in Afrikaans. The dean, in consultation with the relevant head of department, determines the language of tuition.

Limiting of modules on offer in a particular academic year and availability to foreign students

The dean determines which 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, on recommendation of the relevant head of department, determine the maximum number of registrations for a specific elective module in terms of the prescribed guidelines. The dean may also, on recommendation of the relevant head of department, determine that a particular LLM module will not be offered where on the first day of lectures four or fewer students are registered for such module.

Re-registration for modules

A student may not register more than twice for the same module. In order to pass a module the student must obtain a final mark of 50%.

Curriculum: Year 1

Core modules

[Administration of estates 801](#) (AOE 801) - Credits: 30.00

[Research methodology 801](#) (RHP 801) - Credits: 5.00

Curriculum: Final year

Core modules

[Mini-dissertation 800](#) (MND 800) - Credits: 100.00

[Research proposal 803](#) (RHP 803) - Credits: 5.00

LLM Extractive Industry Law in Africa (Coursework) (04252018)

Minimum duration of study 2 years

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Programme information

Closing date for applications: SA applicants – 30 November; non-SA applicants – 31 August.

A limited number of approximately between 10 and 20 students are selected per year according to the general selection guidelines.

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

- i. a demonstrated professional, academic and personal interest in and commitment to extractive industry law in Africa;
- ii. 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 (the 'multiplier effect');
- iii. geographic representation (in the sense that an overrepresentation of students from a particular African country will be avoided, given the pan-African scope and ambitions of the programme);
- iv. gender representation (in the sense that an equitable balance between women and men is sought);
- v. equitable representation of persons from vulnerable communities (such as persons with disabilities, persons belonging to indigenous communities and LGBTI persons).

The LLM (Extractive Industry Law in Africa) is presented in alternate years.

Also refer to the Postgraduate Brochure for the complete study programme as well as the [Postgraduate administrative processes after registration](#).

The curriculum will generally consist of:

- Three modules counting 30 credits each (at least one of these modules must be completed during the first year of registration).
- A module in research methodology (RHP 801 - 5 credits) (this module must be completed during the first year of registration).
- A research proposal (RHP 803 - 5 credits). The student must submit the research proposal to the supervisor no later than the end of the first semester of the second year of registration for the degree, prior to commencing with the writing of the mini-dissertation. This period may be extended with the approval of the relevant head of department.
- A mini-dissertation. The mini-dissertation must deal with the subject content of one of the modules or a combination of the modules registered for by the student for his/her LLM/MPhil degree. Any request for an extension of the period for submission of the mini-dissertation may only be granted by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the relevant head of department.

Admission requirements

- 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.

Other programme-specific information

Mini-dissertation

- The mini-dissertation must comprise 13 000 – 15 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography.
- The examination copies of the mini-dissertation, to send out to the external examiners, must be submitted to



Student Administration not later than the end of October for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, end of April for the Spring Graduation Ceremony. A final electronic version must be submitted to Student Administration on or before 15 February for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, 15 July for the Spring Graduation Ceremony after the evaluation of the examination copies of the mini-dissertation to comply with degree requirements.

Examinations and pass requirements

In the event of having failed all modules during a particular year of study, a student will only be allowed to continue with his/her studies with the consent of the Postgraduate Committee.

Although no supplementary examination will be granted with regard to LLM and MPhil modules, the General Regulations and rules apply with regard to special and ancillary examinations.

Research information

The relevant head of department must recommend a supervisor and title for a mini-dissertation and these must be approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The mini-dissertation must be assessed and finalised as set out in the Faculty Board-approved LLM/MPhil Policy Document of the Faculty.

Mini-dissertations, where required, must be submitted in the format determined by the supervisor and approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The supervisor may likewise, subject to the approval of the Postgraduate Committee, also determine the research topic and the scope of the proposed research. (Refer to the [Faculty of Law regulations regarding mini-dissertations](#) and also [Postgraduate administrative processes brochure for the Faculty](#))

Pass with distinction

For the degree to be awarded with distinction a student must obtain an average of at least 75% for all the coursework modules, as well as a minimum of 75% for the mini-dissertation. The modules must have been written for the first time.

General information

Period of registration

The duration of the programme will in general be four semesters (2 years) but may be completed within two semesters (1 year) where possible, subject to fulfilment of all the requirements for the degree and payment of the full amount prescribed for the LLM degree. Programmes may also be structured to allow for one year of study only. The one- or two-year period may only be extended by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the relevant head of department based on good reason shown and if it is clear that the student will be able to complete the programme in a further year of study.

Language of tuition

The official language of tuition is English. However, should circumstances allow it, an LLM module may be presented in Afrikaans. The dean, in consultation with the relevant head of department, determines the language of tuition.

Limiting of modules on offer in a particular academic year and availability to foreign students

The dean determines which 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, on recommendation of the relevant head of department, determine the maximum number of registrations for a specific elective module in terms of the prescribed guidelines. The dean may also, on recommendation of the



relevant head of department, determine that a particular LLM module will not be offered where on the first day of lectures four or fewer students are registered for such module.

Re-registration for modules

A student may not register more than twice for the same module. In order to pass a module the student must obtain a final mark of 50%.

Curriculum: Year 1

Core modules

Rights to and regulation of natural resources 801 (EIL 801) - Credits: 30.00

Sustainability aspects of extractive industries 802 (EIL 802) - Credits: 30.00

The South Africa Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act 803 (EIL 803) - Credits: 30.00

International law aspects of extractive industries 804 (EIL 804) - Credits: 30.00

Research methodology 801 (RHP 801) - Credits: 5.00

Curriculum: Final year

Core modules

Mini-dissertation 800 (MND 800) - Credits: 100.00

Research proposal 803 (RHP 803) - Credits: 5.00

LLM Family Law (Coursework) (04252002)

Minimum duration of study 2 years

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Programme information

Closing date for applications: SA applicants (only) – 30 November.

Also refer to the Postgraduate Brochure for the complete study programme as well as the [Postgraduate administrative processes after registration](#).

The curriculum will generally consist of:

- Three modules counting 30 credits each (at least one of these modules must be completed during the first year of registration).
- A module in research methodology (RHP 801 - 5 credits) (this module must be completed during the first year of registration).
- A research proposal (RHP 803 - 5 credits). The student must submit the research proposal to the supervisor no later than the end of the first semester of the second year of registration for the degree, prior to commencing with the writing of the mini-dissertation. This period may be extended with the approval of the relevant head of department.
- A mini-dissertation. The mini-dissertation must deal with the subject content of one of the modules or a combination of the modules registered for by the student for his/her LLM/MPhil degree. Any request for an extension of the period for submission of the mini-dissertation may only be granted by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the relevant head of department.

Admission requirements

- 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.

Other programme-specific information

Mini-dissertation

- The mini-dissertation must comprise 13 000 – 15 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography.
- The examination copies of the mini-dissertation, to send out to the external examiners, must be submitted to Student Administration not later than the end of October for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, end of April for the Spring Graduation Ceremony. A final electronic version must be submitted to Student Administration on or before 15 February for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, 15 July for the Spring Graduation Ceremony after the evaluation of the examination copies of the mini-dissertation to comply with degree requirements.

Examinations and pass requirements

In the event of having failed all modules during a particular year of study, a student will only be allowed to continue with his/her studies with the consent of the Postgraduate Committee.

Although no supplementary examination will be granted with regard to LLM and MPhil modules, the General Regulations and rules apply with regard to special and ancillary examinations.

Research information

The relevant head of department must recommend a supervisor and title for a mini-dissertation and these must be approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The mini-dissertation must be assessed and finalised as set out in the Faculty Board-approved LLM/MPhil Policy Document of the Faculty.

Mini-dissertations, where required, must be submitted in the format determined by the supervisor and approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The supervisor may likewise, subject to the approval of the Postgraduate Committee, also determine the research topic and the scope of the proposed research. (Refer to the [Faculty of Law regulations regarding mini-dissertations](#) and also [Postgraduate administrative processes brochure for the Faculty](#))

Pass with distinction

For the degree to be awarded with distinction a student must obtain an average of at least 75% for all the coursework modules, as well as a minimum of 75% for the mini-dissertation. The modules must have been written for the first time.

General information

Period of registration

The duration of the programme will in general be four semesters (2 years) but may be completed within two semesters (1 year) where possible, subject to fulfilment of all the requirements for the degree and payment of the full amount prescribed for the LLM degree. Programmes may also be structured to allow for one year of study only. The one- or two-year period may only be extended by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the relevant head of department based on good reason shown and if it is clear that the student will be able to complete the programme in a further year of study.



Language of tuition

The official language of tuition is English. However, should circumstances allow it, an LLM module may be presented in Afrikaans. The dean, in consultation with the relevant head of department, determines the language of tuition.

Limiting of modules on offer in a particular academic year and availability to foreign students

The dean determines which 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, on recommendation of the relevant head of department, determine the maximum number of registrations for a specific elective module in terms of the prescribed guidelines. The dean may also, on recommendation of the relevant head of department, determine that a particular LLM module will not be offered where on the first day of lectures four or fewer students are registered for such module.

Re-registration for modules

A student may not register more than twice for the same module. In order to pass a module the student must obtain a final mark of 50%.

Curriculum: Year 1

Core modules

[Recognised and alternative life-partnerships 802](#) (EAL 802) - Credits: 30.00

[Research methodology 801](#) (RHP 801) - Credits: 5.00

Curriculum: Final year

Core modules

[Recognised and alternative life-partnerships 802](#) (EAL 802) - Credits: 30.00

[Mini-dissertation 800](#) (MND 800) - Credits: 100.00

[Research proposal 803](#) (RHP 803) - Credits: 5.00

LLM Human Rights and Democratisation in Africa (Coursework) (04252020)

Minimum duration of study 1 year

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Programme information

Closing date for applications: 31 July

A limited number of up to 30 students are selected per year. Depending on the availability of funding, scholarships covering at least tuition, accommodation and official programme activities are covered for as many of these students as possible. Students who do not receive scholarships may be admitted as self-funding students, provided they meet all the minimum criteria below, and provided they guarantee payment of all or at least a significant part of tuition, accommodation and official programme activities, to an amount set by the Centre annually.

Applicants must submit fully completed applications to the Centre for Human Rights by 31 July every year.

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

- i. a demonstrated professional, academic and personal interest in and commitment to human rights and

democratisation in Africa;

- ii. 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 (the 'multiplier effect');
- iii. geographic representation (in the sense that an overrepresentation of students from a particular African country will be avoided, given the pan-African scope and ambitions of the programme);
- iv. gender representation (in the sense that an equitable balance between women and men is sought);
- v. equitable representation of persons from vulnerable communities (such as persons with disabilities, persons belonging to indigenous communities and LGBTI persons).

All complete applications, received by 31 July of a particular year, are processed and considered by the LLM Programme Manager and Head of Research of the Centre, who identify a number of eligible candidates three times the available positions.

The Assistant Director of the Centre identifies a number of candidates twice the number of available positions. Each of these applicants is then contacted and required to write an essay within a restricted time period (for example, 24 hours) of being given the topic. The Head of research and Director of the Centre assess 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 Head of Research, Centre for Human Rights.

The curriculum will generally consist of:

- Six modules which are compulsory and has to be completed during the first year of registration.
- A module in research methodology (NRM 801 – 5 credits) (this module must be completed during the first year of registration).
- A research proposal (RHP 803 – 5 credits). The student must submit the research proposal to the supervisor no later than the end of the first semester of the second year of registration for the degree, prior to commencing with the writing of the mini-dissertation. This period may be extended with the approval of the relevant head of department.
- A mini-dissertation. The mini-dissertation must deal with the subject content of one of the modules or a combination of the modules registered for by the student for his/her LLM/MPhil degree. Any request for an extension of the period for submission of the mini-dissertation may only be granted by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the relevant head of department.

Also refer to the Postgraduate Brochure for the complete study programme as well as the [Postgraduate administrative processes after registration](#).

Admission requirements

In addition to an LLB, BProc or equivalent qualification from a foreign university that allows the applicant entrance to the formal legal profession, the following requirements are set for admission of a prospective student to the LLM Coursework programme:

A minimum average mark of 65% with respect to the prescribed final-year modules of the undergraduate programme is required for admission to an LLM coursework programme.



Where an average of below 65% is achieved, the student may be admitted on recommendation of the relevant head of department after consultation with the programme coordinator and consideration of other merits (eg relevant professional experience; the applicant's performance in undergraduate modules related to the particular LLM; the candidate's performance in independent research essays or similar components) and/or an admission examination.

Linguistic competence, primarily in English; foreign applicants who did not complete undergraduate studies through the medium of English must show proof of competence in English at a minimum average level of 6 out of 10 for IELTS or a minimum total score of 83 in TOEFL calculated as follows: reading 21, listening 17, speaking 23 and writing 22. In any other instance where there is doubt as to the English linguistic competence of an applicant, the Dean may require the same proof as prescribed for foreign applicants.

Foreign qualifications are subject to SAQA evaluation. (Some LLM coursework programmes or modules as indicated in the yearbook may only be available to students who hold a relevant South African legal qualification.)

Even though a student may comply with the above requirements, the Dean may, on the recommendation of the head of department presenting a specific degree or module, refuse to accept a prospective student for any LLM programme if such a student's performance in the chosen modules or field of study during undergraduate study was not satisfactory. Alternatively, the Dean could set additional requirements with a view to admission.

An admission examination may also be required in respect of a particular programme or module.

Other programme-specific information

The mini-dissertation must comprise 18 000 – 20 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography.

Examinations and pass requirements

In the event of having failed all modules during a particular year of study, a student will only be allowed to continue with his/her studies with the consent of the Postgraduate Committee.

Although no supplementary examination will be granted with regard to LLM and MPhil modules, the General Regulations and rules apply with regard to special and ancillary examinations.

Research information

Contact the programme coordinator.

General information

Language of tuition

The medium of instruction will be English.

Re-registration for modules

A student may not register more than twice for the same module. In order to pass a module the student must obtain a final mark of 50%.

The duration of the programme will be completed within two semesters (1 year). This study programmes is structured to allow for only one year of study.

Curriculum: Final year



Core modules

- Accredited course in human rights 802 (ACH 802) - Credits: 15.00
- Applied human rights 801 (AHR 801) - Credits: 15.00
- Democratisation in Africa 801 (DIA 801) - Credits: 15.00
- Human rights in Africa 801 (HRA 801) - Credits: 15.00
- International and comparative human rights 801 (ICH 801) - Credits: 15.00
- Mini-dissertation 802 (MND 802) - Credits: 100.00
- Research methodology for human rights 801 (NRM 801) - Credits: 5.00
- Research proposal 803 (RHP 803) - Credits: 5.00
- Introduction to the South African legal system and Bill of Rights 801 (RVM 801) - Credits: 15.00

LLM Insolvency Law (Coursework) (04252007)

Minimum duration of study 2 years

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Programme information

Closing date for applications: SA applicants – 30 November; non-SA applicants – 31 August.

Also refer to the Postgraduate Brochure for the complete study programme as well as the [Postgraduate administrative processes after registration](#).

The curriculum will generally consist of:

- Three modules counting 30 credits each (at least one of these modules must be completed during the first year of registration).
- A module in research methodology (RHP 801 - 5 credits) (this module must be completed during the first year of registration).
- A research proposal (RHP 803 - 5 credits). The student must submit the research proposal to the supervisor no later than the end of the first semester of the second year of registration for the degree, prior to commencing with the writing of the mini-dissertation. This period may be extended with the approval of the relevant head of department.
- A mini-dissertation. The mini-dissertation must deal with the subject content of one of the modules or a combination of the modules registered for by the student for his/her LLM/MPhil degree. Any request for an extension of the period for submission of the mini-dissertation may only be granted by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the relevant head of department.

Admission requirements

- 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.

Other programme-specific information

Mini-dissertation

- The mini-dissertation must comprise 13 000 – 15 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography.

- The examination copies of the mini-dissertation, to send out to the external examiners, must be submitted to Student Administration not later than the end of October for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, end of April for the Spring Graduation Ceremony. A final electronic version must be submitted to Student Administration on or before 15 February for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, 15 July for the Spring Graduation Ceremony after the evaluation of the examination copies of the mini-dissertation to comply with degree requirements.

Examinations and pass requirements

In the event of having failed all modules during a particular year of study, a student will only be allowed to continue with his/her studies with the consent of the Postgraduate Committee.

Although no supplementary examination will be granted with regard to LLM and MPhil modules, the General Regulations and rules apply with regard to special and ancillary examinations.

Research information

The relevant head of department must recommend a supervisor and title for a mini-dissertation and these must be approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The mini-dissertation must be assessed and finalised as set out in the Faculty Board-approved LLM/MPhil Policy Document of the Faculty.

Mini-dissertations, where required, must be submitted in the format determined by the supervisor and approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The supervisor may likewise, subject to the approval of the Postgraduate Committee, also determine the research topic and the scope of the proposed research. (Refer to the [Faculty of Law regulations regarding mini-dissertations](#) and also [Postgraduate administrative processes brochure for the Faculty](#))

Pass with distinction

For the degree to be awarded with distinction a student must obtain an average of at least 75% for all the coursework modules, as well as a minimum of 75% for the mini-dissertation. The modules must have been written for the first time.

General information

Period of registration

The duration of the programme will in general be four semesters (2 years) but may be completed within two semesters (1 year) where possible, subject to fulfilment of all the requirements for the degree and payment of the full amount prescribed for the LLM degree. Programmes may also be structured to allow for one year of study only. The one- or two-year period may only be extended by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the relevant head of department based on good reason shown and if it is clear that the student will be able to complete the programme in a further year of study.

Language of tuition

The official language of tuition is English. However, should circumstances allow it, an LLM module may be presented in Afrikaans. The dean, in consultation with the relevant head of department, determines the language of tuition.

Limiting of modules on offer in a particular academic year and availability to foreign students

The dean determines which 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, on recommendation of the relevant head of department, determine the maximum number of registrations for a



specific elective module in terms of the prescribed guidelines. The dean may also, on recommendation of the relevant head of department, determine that a particular LLM module will not be offered where on the first day of lectures four or fewer students are registered for such module.

Re-registration for modules

A student may not register more than twice for the same module. In order to pass a module the student must obtain a final mark of 50%.

Curriculum: Year 1

Core modules

[International insolvency law 801 \(IIL 801\)](#) - Credits: 30.00

[Insolvency law 801 \(ISR 801\)](#) - Credits: 30.00

[Liquidation and business rescue 802 \(LBR 802\)](#) - Credits: 30.00

[Research methodology 801 \(RHP 801\)](#) - Credits: 5.00

Curriculum: Final year

Core modules

[Mini-dissertation 800 \(MND 800\)](#) - Credits: 100.00

[Research proposal 803 \(RHP 803\)](#) - Credits: 5.00

LLM Insurance Law and Governance (Coursework) (04252025)

Minimum duration of study 2 years

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Programme information

This programme is available for international students.

Closing date for applications: SA applicants – 30 November; non-SA applicants – 31 August.

The duration of the programme will, in general, be four semesters (two years), subject to fulfillment of all the requirements for the degree and payment of the full amount prescribed for the LLM degree.

The two-year period may only be extended by the Postgraduate Committee on the recommendation of the relevant head of department based on good reason shown and if it is clear that the student will be able to complete the programme in a further year of study.

Please contact the Faculty with regard to specific regulations pertaining to LLM degree programmes.

Admission requirements

- 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.

Other programme-specific information

This is a selection programme and only selected applicants will be admitted to the programme.

Mini-dissertation



The mini-dissertation must comprise 13 000 to 15 000 words – including footnotes, but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography.

Any request for an extension of the period for the submission of the mini-dissertation may only be granted by the Dean on the recommendation of the Postgraduate Committee.

Research information

The relevant head of department must recommend a supervisor and a title for a mini-dissertation, and these must be approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The mini-dissertation must be assessed and finalised as set out in the Faculty Board-approved LLM Policy Document of the Faculty.

Mini-dissertations must be submitted in the format determined by the supervisor and approved by the Postgraduate Committee.

The supervisor may likewise and subject to the approval of the Postgraduate Committee also determine the research topic and the scope of the proposed research.

Pass with distinction

For the degree to be awarded with distinction a student must obtain an average of at least 75% for all the coursework modules together, as well as a minimum of 75% for the mini-dissertation. The modules must have been written for the first time.

Curriculum: Year 1

Core modules

[General principles of insurance law 801](#) (MRL 801) - Credits: 30.00

[Insurance regulation and governance 802](#) (MRL 802) - Credits: 30.00

[Research methodology 801](#) (RHP 801) - Credits: 5.00

Curriculum: Final year

Core modules

[Mini-dissertation 800](#) (MND 800) - Credits: 100.00

[Capita Selecta of Insurance Law 803](#) (MRL 803) - Credits: 30.00

[Research proposal 803](#) (RHP 803) - Credits: 5.00

LLM Intellectual Property Law (Coursework) (04252003)

Minimum duration of study 2 years

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Programme information

Closing date for applications: SA applicants – 30 November; non-SA applicants – 31 August.

Also refer to the Postgraduate Brochure for the complete study programme as well as the [Postgraduate administrative processes after registration](#).

The curriculum will generally consist of:

- Three modules counting 30 credits each (at least one of these modules must be completed during the first year of registration).



- A module in research methodology (RHP 801 - 5 credits) (this module must be completed during the first year of registration).
- A research proposal (RHP 803 - 5 credits). The student must submit the research proposal to the supervisor no later than the end of the first semester of the second year of registration for the degree, prior to commencing with the writing of the mini-dissertation. This period may be extended with the approval of the relevant head of department.
- A mini-dissertation. The mini-dissertation must deal with the subject content of one of the modules or a combination of the modules registered for by the student for his/her LLB/MPhil degree. Any request for an extension of the period for submission of the mini-dissertation may only be granted by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the relevant head of department.

Admission requirements

- 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.

Other programme-specific information

Mini-dissertation

- The mini-dissertation must comprise 13 000 – 15 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography.
- The examination copies of the mini-dissertation, to send out to the external examiners, must be submitted to Student Administration not later than the end of October for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, end of April for the Spring Graduation Ceremony. A final electronic version must be submitted to Student Administration on or before 15 February for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, 15 July for the Spring Graduation Ceremony after the evaluation of the examination copies of the mini-dissertation to comply with degree requirements.

Examinations and pass requirements

In the event of having failed all modules during a particular year of study, a student will only be allowed to continue with his/her studies with the consent of the Postgraduate Committee.

Although no supplementary examination will be granted with regard to LLM and MPhil modules, the General Regulations and rules apply with regard to special and ancillary examinations.

Research information

The relevant head of department must recommend a supervisor and title for a mini-dissertation and these must be approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The mini-dissertation must be assessed and finalised as set out in the Faculty Board-approved LLB/MPhil Policy Document of the Faculty.

Mini-dissertations, where required, must be submitted in the format determined by the supervisor and approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The supervisor may likewise, subject to the approval of the Postgraduate Committee, also determine the research topic and the scope of the proposed research. (Refer to the [Faculty of Law regulations regarding mini-dissertations](#) and also [Postgraduate administrative processes brochure for the Faculty](#))



Pass with distinction

For the degree to be awarded with distinction a student must obtain an average of at least 75% for all the coursework modules, as well as a minimum of 75% for the mini-dissertation. The modules must have been written for the first time.

General information

Period of registration

The duration of the programme will in general be four semesters (2 years) but may be completed within two semesters (1 year) where possible, subject to fulfilment of all the requirements for the degree and payment of the full amount prescribed for the LL.M degree. Programmes may also be structured to allow for one year of study only. The one- or two-year period may only be extended by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the relevant head of department based on good reason shown and if it is clear that the student will be able to complete the programme in a further year of study.

Language of tuition

The official language of tuition is English. However, should circumstances allow it, an LL.M module may be presented in Afrikaans. The dean, in consultation with the relevant head of department, determines the language of tuition.

Limiting of modules on offer in a particular academic year and availability to foreign students

The dean determines which 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, on recommendation of the relevant head of department, determine the maximum number of registrations for a specific elective module in terms of the prescribed guidelines. The dean may also, on recommendation of the relevant head of department, determine that a particular LL.M module will not be offered where on the first day of lectures four or fewer students are registered for such module.

Re-registration for modules

A student may not register more than twice for the same module. In order to pass a module the student must obtain a final mark of 50%.

Curriculum: Year 1

Core modules

Intellectual property, new technologies and innovation 802 (IGZ 802) - Credits: 30.00

Intellectual property, branding and advertising 803 (IGZ 803) - Credits: 30.00

Intellectual property, creative industries and expression of ideas 804 (IGZ 804) - Credits: 30.00

Research methodology 801 (RHP 801) - Credits: 5.00

Curriculum: Final year

Core modules

Mini-dissertation 800 (MND 800) - Credits: 100.00

Research proposal 803 (RHP 803) - Credits: 5.00

LLM International Air, Space and Telecommunications Law (Coursework) (04250077)

Minimum duration of study 1 year



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Programme information

Closing date for applications: SA applicants – 30 November; non-SA applicants – 31 August.

A limited number of approximately between 10 and 25 students are selected per year according to the general selection guidelines.

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

- i. a demonstrated professional, academic and personal interest in and commitment to international air, space and telecommunications law;
- ii. 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 (the 'multiplier effect');
- iii. geographic representation (in the sense that an overrepresentation of students from a particular African country will be avoided, given the pan-African scope and ambitions of the programme);
- iv. gender representation (in the sense that an equitable balance between women and men is sought);
- v. equitable representation of persons from vulnerable communities (such as persons with disabilities, persons belonging to indigenous communities and LGBTI persons).

Also refer to the Postgraduate Brochure for the complete study programme as well as the [Postgraduate administrative processes after registration](#).

The curriculum will generally consist of:

- Three modules counting 30 credits each (at least one of these modules must be completed during the first year of registration).
- A module in research methodology (RHP 801 - 5 credits) (this module must be completed during the first year of registration).
- A research proposal (RHP 803 - 5 credits). The student must submit the research proposal to the supervisor no later than the end of the first semester of the second year of registration for the degree, prior to commencing with the writing of the mini-dissertation. This period may be extended with the approval of the relevant head of department.
- A mini-dissertation. The mini-dissertation must deal with the subject content of one of the modules or a combination of the modules registered for by the student for his/her LLB/MPhil degree. Any request for an extension of the period for submission of the mini-dissertation may only be granted by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the relevant head of department.

Admission requirements

- 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.

Other programme-specific information

Mini-dissertation

- The mini-dissertation must comprise 13 000 – 15 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography.
- The examination copies of the mini-dissertation, to send out to the external examiners, must be submitted to



Student Administration not later than the end of October for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, end of April for the Spring Graduation Ceremony. A final electronic version must be submitted to Student Administration on or before 15 February for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, 15 July for the Spring Graduation Ceremony after the evaluation of the examination copies of the mini-dissertation to comply with degree requirements.

Examinations and pass requirements

In the event of having failed all modules during a particular year of study, a student will only be allowed to continue with his/her studies with the consent of the Postgraduate Committee.

Although no supplementary examination will be granted with regard to LLM and MPhil modules, the General Regulations and rules apply with regard to special and ancillary examinations.

Research information

The relevant head of department must recommend a supervisor and title for a mini-dissertation and these must be approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The mini-dissertation must be assessed and finalised as set out in the Faculty Board-approved LLM/MPhil Policy Document of the Faculty.

Mini-dissertations, where required, must be submitted in the format determined by the supervisor and approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The supervisor may likewise, subject to the approval of the Postgraduate Committee, also determine the research topic and the scope of the proposed research. (Refer to the [Faculty of Law regulations regarding mini-dissertations](#) and also [Postgraduate administrative processes brochure for the Faculty](#))

Pass with distinction

For the degree to be awarded with distinction a student must obtain an average of at least 75% for all the coursework modules, as well as a minimum of 75% for the mini-dissertation. The modules must have been written for the first time.

General information

Period of registration

The duration of the programme will in general be four semesters (2 years) but may be completed within two semesters (1 year) where possible, subject to fulfilment of all the requirements for the degree and payment of the full amount prescribed for the LLM degree. Programmes may also be structured to allow for one year of study only. The one- or two-year period may only be extended by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the relevant head of department based on good reason shown and if it is clear that the student will be able to complete the programme in a further year of study.

Language of tuition

The official language of tuition is English. However, should circumstances allow it, an LLM module may be presented in Afrikaans. The dean, in consultation with the relevant head of department, determines the language of tuition.

Limiting of modules on offer in a particular academic year and availability to foreign students

The dean determines which 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, on recommendation of the relevant head of department, determine the maximum number of registrations for a specific elective module in terms of the prescribed guidelines. The dean may also, on recommendation of the



relevant head of department, determine that a particular LLM module will not be offered where on the first day of lectures four or fewer students are registered for such module.

Re-registration for modules

A student may not register more than twice for the same module. In order to pass a module the student must obtain a final mark of 50%.

Curriculum: Year 1

Core modules

Advanced international law 802 (AIL 802) - Credits: 30.00

Applied international law 801 (MCL 801) - Credits: 30.00

Research methodology 801 (RHP 801) - Credits: 5.00

International air, space and telecommunications law 801 (SAL 801) - Credits: 30.00

Curriculum: Final year

Core modules

Mini-dissertation 800 (MND 800) - Credits: 100.00

Research proposal 803 (RHP 803) - Credits: 5.00

LLM International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights in Military Operations (Coursework) (04250079)

Minimum duration of study 2 years

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Programme information

Closing date for applications: SA applicants – 30 November; non-SA applicants – 31 August.

A limited number of approximately between 10 and 25 students are selected per year according to the general selection guidelines.

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

- i. a demonstrated professional, academic and personal interest in and commitment to international air, space and telecommunications law;
- ii. 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 (the 'multiplier effect');
- iii. geographic representation (in the sense that an overrepresentation of students from a particular African country will be avoided, given the pan-African scope and ambitions of the programme);
- iv. gender representation (in the sense that an equitable balance between women and men is sought);
- v. equitable representation of persons from vulnerable communities (such as persons with disabilities, persons belonging to indigenous communities and LGBTI persons).

Also refer to the Postgraduate Brochure for the complete study programme as well as the [Postgraduate administrative processes after registration](#).

The curriculum will generally consist of:

- Three modules counting 30 credits each (at least one of these modules must be completed during the first year)



of registration).

- A module in research methodology (RHP 801 - 5 credits) (this module must be completed during the first year of registration).
- A research proposal (RHP 803 - 5 credits). The student must submit the research proposal to the supervisor no later than the end of the first semester of the second year of registration for the degree, prior to commencing with the writing of the mini-dissertation. This period may be extended with the approval of the relevant head of department.
- A mini-dissertation. The mini-dissertation must deal with the subject content of one of the modules or a combination of the modules registered for by the student for his/her LLM/MPhil degree. Any request for an extension of the period for submission of the mini-dissertation may only be granted by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the relevant head of department.

Admission requirements

In addition to an LLB, BProc or equivalent qualification from a foreign university that allows the applicant entrance to the formal legal profession, the following requirements are set for admission of a prospective student to the LLM Coursework programme:

A minimum average mark of 65% with respect to the prescribed final-year modules of the undergraduate programme is required for admission to an LLM coursework programme.

Where an average of below 65% is achieved, the student may be admitted on recommendation of the relevant head of department after consultation with the programme coordinator and consideration of other merits (eg relevant professional experience; the applicant's performance in undergraduate modules related to the particular LLM; the candidate's performance in independent research essays or similar components) and/or an admission examination.

Linguistic competence, primarily in English; foreign applicants who did not complete undergraduate studies through the medium of English must show proof of competence in English at a minimum average level of 6 out of 10 for IELTS or a minimum total score of 83 in TOEFL calculated as follows: reading 21, listening 17, speaking 23 and writing 22. In any other instance where there is doubt as to the English linguistic competence of an applicant, the Dean may require the same proof as prescribed for foreign applicants.

Foreign qualifications are subject to SAQA evaluation. (Some LLM coursework programmes or modules as indicated in the yearbook may only be available to students who hold a relevant South African legal qualification.)

Even though a student may comply with the above requirements, the Dean may, on the recommendation of the head of department presenting a specific degree or module, refuse to accept a prospective student for any LLM programme if such a student's performance in the chosen modules or field of study during undergraduate study was not satisfactory. Alternatively, the Dean could set additional requirements with a view to admission.

An admission examination may also be required in respect of a particular programme or module.

Additional requirements

Please contact the Faculty with regard to specific requirements pertaining to the MPhil degree programmes.

Other programme-specific information

Mini-dissertation

- The mini-dissertation must comprise 13 000 – 15 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography.

- The examination copies of the mini-dissertation, to send out to the external examiners, must be submitted to Student Administration not later than the end of October for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, end of April for the Spring Graduation Ceremony. A final electronic version must be submitted to Student Administration on or before 15 February for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, 15 July for the Spring Graduation Ceremony after the evaluation of the examination copies of the mini-dissertation to comply with degree requirements.

Examinations and pass requirements

In the event of having failed all modules during a particular year of study, a student will only be allowed to continue with his/her studies with the consent of the Postgraduate Committee.

Although no supplementary examination will be granted with regard to LLM and MPhil modules, the General Regulations and rules apply with regard to special and ancillary examinations.

Research information

The relevant head of department must recommend a supervisor and title for a mini-dissertation and these must be approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The mini-dissertation must be assessed and finalised as set out in the Faculty Board-approved LLM/MPhil Policy Document of the Faculty.

Mini-dissertations, where required, must be submitted in the format determined by the supervisor and approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The supervisor may likewise, subject to the approval of the Postgraduate Committee, also determine the research topic and the scope of the proposed research. (Refer to the [Faculty of Law regulations regarding mini-dissertations](#) and also [Postgraduate administrative processes brochure for the Faculty](#))

Pass with distinction

For the degree to be awarded with distinction a student must obtain an average of at least 75% for all the coursework modules, as well as a minimum of 75% for the mini-dissertation. The modules must have been written for the first time.

General information

Period of registration

The duration of the programme will in general be four semesters (2 years) but may be completed within two semesters (1 year) where possible, subject to fulfilment of all the requirements for the degree and payment of the full amount prescribed for the LLM degree. Programmes may also be structured to allow for one year of study only. The one- or two-year period may only be extended by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the relevant head of department based on good reason shown and if it is clear that the student will be able to complete the programme in a further year of study.

Language of tuition

The official language of tuition is English. However, should circumstances allow it, an LLM module may be presented in Afrikaans. The dean, in consultation with the relevant head of department, determines the language of tuition.

Limiting of modules on offer in a particular academic year and availability to foreign students

The dean determines which 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, on recommendation of the relevant head of department, determine the maximum number of registrations for a

specific elective module in terms of the prescribed guidelines. The dean may also, on recommendation of the relevant head of department, determine that a particular LLM module will not be offered where on the first day of lectures four or fewer students are registered for such module.

Re-registration for modules

A student may not register more than twice for the same module. In order to pass a module the student must obtain a final mark of 50%.

LLM International Law (Coursework) (04252008)

Minimum duration of study 2 years

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Programme information

Closing date for applications: SA applicants – 30 November; non-SA applicants – 31 August.

A limited number of approximately between 10 and 25 students are selected per year according to the general selection guidelines.

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

- i. a demonstrated professional, academic and personal interest in and commitment to international air, space and telecommunications law;
- ii. 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 (the 'multiplier effect');
- iii. geographic representation (in the sense that an overrepresentation of students from a particular African country will be avoided, given the pan-African scope and ambitions of the programme);
- iv. gender representation (in the sense that an equitable balance between women and men is sought);
- v. equitable representation of persons from vulnerable communities (such as persons with disabilities, persons belonging to indigenous communities and LGBTI persons).

Also refer to the Postgraduate Brochure for the complete study programme as well as the [Postgraduate administrative processes after registration](#).

The curriculum will generally consist of:

- Three modules counting 30 credits each (at least one of these modules must be completed during the first year of registration).
- A module in research methodology (RHP 801 - 5 credits) (this module must be completed during the first year of registration).
- A research proposal (RHP 803 - 5 credits). The student must submit the research proposal to the supervisor no later than the end of the first semester of the second year of registration for the degree, prior to commencing with the writing of the mini-dissertation. This period may be extended with the approval of the relevant head of department.
- A mini-dissertation. The mini-dissertation must deal with the subject content of one of the modules or a combination of the modules registered for by the student for his/her LLM/MPhil degree. Any request for an extension of the period for submission of the mini-dissertation may only be granted by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the relevant head of department.



Admission requirements

- 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.

Other programme-specific information

Mini-dissertation

- The mini-dissertation must comprise 13 000 – 15 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography.
- The examination copies of the mini-dissertation, to send out to the external examiners, must be submitted to Student Administration not later than the end of October for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, end of April for the Spring Graduation Ceremony. A final electronic version must be submitted to Student Administration on or before 15 February for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, 15 July for the Spring Graduation Ceremony after the evaluation of the examination copies of the mini-dissertation to comply with degree requirements.

Examinations and pass requirements

In the event of having failed all modules during a particular year of study, a student will only be allowed to continue with his/her studies with the consent of the Postgraduate Committee.

Although no supplementary examination will be granted with regard to LLM and MPhil modules, the General Regulations and rules apply with regard to special and ancillary examinations.

Research information

The relevant head of department must recommend a supervisor and title for a mini-dissertation and these must be approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The mini-dissertation must be assessed and finalised as set out in the Faculty Board-approved LLM/MPhil Policy Document of the Faculty.

Mini-dissertations, where required, must be submitted in the format determined by the supervisor and approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The supervisor may likewise, subject to the approval of the Postgraduate Committee, also determine the research topic and the scope of the proposed research. (Refer to the [Faculty of Law regulations regarding mini-dissertations](#) and also [Postgraduate administrative processes brochure for the Faculty](#))

Pass with distinction

For the degree to be awarded with distinction a student must obtain an average of at least 75% for all the coursework modules, as well as a minimum of 75% for the mini-dissertation. The modules must have been written for the first time.

General information

Period of registration

The duration of the programme will in general be four semesters (2 years) but may be completed within two semesters (1 year) where possible, subject to fulfilment of all the requirements for the degree and payment of the full amount prescribed for the LLM degree. Programmes may also be structured to allow for one year of study only. The one- or two-year period may only be extended by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of



the relevant head of department based on good reason shown and if it is clear that the student will be able to complete the programme in a further year of study.

Language of tuition

The official language of tuition is English. However, should circumstances allow it, an LLM module may be presented in Afrikaans. The dean, in consultation with the relevant head of department, determines the language of tuition.

Limiting of modules on offer in a particular academic year and availability to foreign students

The dean determines which 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, on recommendation of the relevant head of department, determine the maximum number of registrations for a specific elective module in terms of the prescribed guidelines. The dean may also, on recommendation of the relevant head of department, determine that a particular LLM module will not be offered where on the first day of lectures four or fewer students are registered for such module.

Re-registration for modules

A student may not register more than twice for the same module. In order to pass a module the student must obtain a final mark of 50%.

Curriculum: Year 1

Core modules

Advanced international law 802 (AIL 802) - Credits: 30.00

International criminal law 802 (ICL 802) - Credits: 30.00

International environmental law 801 (IEL 801) - Credits: 30.00

International insolvency law 801 (IIL 801) - Credits: 30.00

Applied international law 801 (MCL 801) - Credits: 30.00

Research methodology 801 (RHP 801) - Credits: 5.00

Socio-economic rights under comparative and international law 801 (SRI 801) - Credits: 30.00

Advanced transnational business law 802 (TBL 802) - Credits: 30.00

Curriculum: Final year

Core modules

Mini-dissertation 800 (MND 800) - Credits: 100.00

Research proposal 803 (RHP 803) - Credits: 5.00

LLM International Trade and Investment Law in Africa (Coursework) (04252021)

Minimum duration of study 1 year

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Programme information

Closing date for applications: 31 January (may be taken by international students)

A limited number of approximately between 15 and 25 students are selected per year. Depending on the availability of funding, scholarships covering at least tuition, accommodation and official programme activities are covered for as many of these students as possible. Students who do not receive scholarships may be

admitted as self-funding students, provided they meet all the minimum criteria below, and provided they guarantee payment of at least all or a significant part of tuition, accommodation and official programme activities, to an amount set by the Centre annually.

As this LLM cycle runs over a two year period, new applicants are only admitted every second year. The programme is presented at the University of the Western Cape in the other alternate years. Applicants must submit fully completed applications to the Centre for Human Rights by 31 January every year, for eligibility to study on a programme starting in June/ July of a particular year.

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

- i. a demonstrated professional, academic and personal interest in and commitment to international trade and investment law
- ii. 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 (the 'multiplier effect');
- iii. geographic representation (in the sense that an overrepresentation of students from a particular African country will be avoided, given the pan-African scope and ambitions of the programme);
- iv. gender representation (in the sense that an equitable balance between women and men is sought);
- v. equitable representation of persons from vulnerable communities (such as persons with disabilities, persons belonging to indigenous communities and LGBTI persons).

All complete applications, received by 31 January of a particular year, are processed and considered by the LLM programme coordinator, who identifies a number of eligible candidates three times the available positions, for consideration by the Director of the International Development Law Unit (IDLU).

The Director of IDLU presents the suggested candidates to the Director of the Centre for Human Rights and the Assistant Director of the Centre for Human Rights, for their confirmation.

The curriculum will generally consist of:

- Only two modules counting 30 credits each (at least one of these modules must be completed during the first year of registration).
- A module in research methodology (RHP 801) counting 5 credits (this module must be completed during the first year of registration).
- A research proposal (RHP 803) counting 5 credits. The student must submit the research proposal (RHP 803) to the supervisor not later than the end of the first semester of the second year of registration for the LLM degree, prior to commencing with the writing of the mini-dissertation. This period may be extended with the approval of the head of department.
- Mini-dissertation. This mini-dissertation must deal with the subject content of one of the modules or a combination of the modules registered for by the student for his/her LLM degree. Any request for an extension of the period for submission of the mini-dissertation may only be granted by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the head of department.

Also refer to the Postgraduate Brochure for the complete study programme as well as the [Postgraduate administrative processes after registration](#).

Admission requirements

In addition to an LLB, BProc or equivalent qualification from a foreign university that allows the applicant entrance to the formal legal profession, the following requirements are set for admission of a prospective student to the LLM Coursework programme:



A minimum average mark of 65% with respect to the prescribed final-year modules of the undergraduate programme is required for admission to an LLM coursework programme.

Where an average of below 65% is achieved, the student may be admitted on recommendation of the relevant head of department after consultation with the programme coordinator and consideration of other merits (eg relevant professional experience; the applicant's performance in undergraduate modules related to the particular LLM; the candidate's performance in independent research essays or similar components) and/or an admission examination.

Linguistic competence, primarily in English; foreign applicants who did not complete undergraduate studies through the medium of English must show proof of competence in English at a minimum average level of 6 out of 10 for IELTS or a minimum total score of 83 in TOEFL calculated as follows: reading 21, listening 17, speaking 23 and writing 22. In any other instance where there is doubt as to the English linguistic competence of an applicant, the Dean may require the same proof as prescribed for foreign applicants.

Foreign qualifications are subject to SAQA evaluation. (Some LLM coursework programmes or modules as indicated in the yearbook may only be available to students who hold a relevant South African legal qualification.)

Even though a student may comply with the above requirements, the Dean may, on the recommendation of the head of department presenting a specific degree or module, refuse to accept a prospective student for any LLM programme if such a student's performance in the chosen modules or field of study during undergraduate study was not satisfactory. Alternatively, the Dean could set additional requirements with a view to admission.

An admission examination may also be required in respect of a particular programme or module.

Other programme-specific information

- The mini-dissertation must comprise 23 000 – 25 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography.
- The examination copies of the mini-dissertation to send out to the external examiners must be submitted to Student Administration not later than the end of October for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, end of April for the Spring Graduation Ceremony. A final electronic version must be submitted to Student Administration on or before 15 February for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, 15 July for the Spring Graduation Ceremony after the evaluation of the examination copies of the mini-dissertation to comply with degree requirements.

Examinations and pass requirements

In the event of having failed all modules during a particular year of study, a student will only be allowed to continue with his/her studies with the consent of the Postgraduate Committee.

Although no supplementary examination will be granted with regard to LLM and MPhil modules, the General Regulations and rules apply with regard to special and ancillary examinations.

Research information

The relevant head of department must recommend a supervisor and title for a mini-dissertation and these must be approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The mini-dissertation must be assessed and finalised as set out in the Faculty Board-approved LLM/MPhil Policy Document of the Faculty.

Mini-dissertations, where required, must be submitted in the format determined by the supervisor and approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The supervisor may likewise, subject to the approval of the Postgraduate



Committee, also determine the research topic and the scope of the proposed research. (Refer to the [Faculty of Law regulations regarding mini-dissertations](#) and also [Postgraduate administrative processes brochure for the Faculty](#))

Pass with distinction

For the degree to be awarded with distinction a student must obtain an average of at least 75% for all the coursework modules, as well as a minimum of 75% for the mini-dissertation. The modules must have been written for the first time.

General information

Language of tuition

The medium of instruction will be English.

Re-registration for modules

A student may not register more than twice for the same module. In order to pass a module the student must obtain a final mark of 50%.

Period of registration

The duration of the programme will in general be four semesters (2 years) but may be completed within two semesters (1 year) where possible, subject to fulfilment of all the requirements for the degree and payment of the full amount prescribed for the MPhil degree. Programmes may also be structured to allow for one year of study only. The one- or two-year period may only be extended by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the relevant head of department based on good reason shown and if it is clear that the student will be able to complete the programme in a further year of study.

LLM International Trade and Investment Law in Africa (Coursework) (04252022)

Minimum duration of study 1 year

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Programme information

Closing date for applications: 31 January (may be taken by international students)

A limited number of approximately between 15 and 25 students are selected per year. Depending on the availability of funding, scholarships covering at least tuition, accommodation and official programme activities are covered for as many of these students as possible. Students who do not receive scholarships may be admitted as self-funding students, provided they meet all the minimum criteria below, and provided they guarantee payment of at least all or a significant part of tuition, accommodation and official programme activities, to an amount set by the Centre annually.

As this LLM cycle runs over a two year period, new applicants are only admitted every second year. The programme is presented at the University of the Western Cape in the other alternate years. Applicants must submit fully completed applications to the Centre for Human Rights by 31 January every year, for eligibility to study on a programme starting in June/ July of a particular year.

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 international trade and investment law
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 (the 'multiplier effect');
3. geographic representation (in the sense that an overrepresentation of students from a particular African country will be avoided, given the pan-African scope and ambitions of the programme);
4. gender representation (in the sense that an equitable balance between women and men is sought);
5. equitable representation of persons from vulnerable communities (such as persons with disabilities, persons belonging to indigenous communities and LGBTI persons).

All complete applications, received by 31 January of a particular year, are processed and considered by the LLM programme coordinator, who identifies a number of eligible candidates three times the available positions, for consideration by the Director of the International Development Law Unit (IDLU).

The Director of IDLU presents the suggested candidates to the Director of the Centre for Human Rights and the Assistant Director of the Centre for Human Rights, for their confirmation.

The curriculum will generally consist of:

- Only two modules counting 30 credits each (at least one of these modules must be completed during the first year of registration).
- A module in research methodology (RHP 801) counting 5 credits (this module must be completed during the first year of registration).
- A research proposal (RHP 803) counting 5 credits. The student must submit the research proposal (RHP 803) to the supervisor not later than the end of the first semester of the second year of registration for the LLM degree, prior to commencing with the writing of the mini-dissertation. This period may be extended with the approval of the head of department.
- Mini-dissertation. This mini-dissertation must deal with the subject content of one of the modules or a combination of the modules registered for by the student for his/her LLM degree. Any request for an extension of the period for submission of the mini-dissertation may only be granted by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the head of department.

Also refer to the Postgraduate Brochure for the complete study programme as well as the [Postgraduate administrative processes after registration](#).

Admission requirements

In addition to an LLB, BProc or equivalent qualification from a foreign university that allows the applicant entrance to the formal legal profession, the following requirements are set for admission of a prospective student to the LLM Coursework programme:

A minimum average mark of 65% with respect to the prescribed final-year modules of the undergraduate programme is required for admission to an LLM coursework programme.

Where an average of below 65% is achieved, the student may be admitted on recommendation of the relevant head of department after consultation with the programme coordinator and consideration of other merits (eg relevant professional experience; the applicant's performance in undergraduate modules related to the particular LLM; the candidate's performance in independent research essays or similar components) and/or an admission examination.

Linguistic competence, primarily in English; foreign applicants who did not complete undergraduate studies through the medium of English must show proof of competence in English at a minimum average level of 6 out of 10 for IELTS or a minimum total score of 83 in TOEFL calculated as follows: reading 21, listening 17, speaking 23

and writing 22. In any other instance where there is doubt as to the English linguistic competence of an applicant, the Dean may require the same proof as prescribed for foreign applicants.

Foreign qualifications are subject to SAQA evaluation. (Some LLM coursework programmes or modules as indicated in the yearbook may only be available to students who hold a relevant South African legal qualification.)

Even though a student may comply with the above requirements, the Dean may, on the recommendation of the head of department presenting a specific degree or module, refuse to accept a prospective student for any LLM programme if such a student's performance in the chosen modules or field of study during undergraduate study was not satisfactory. Alternatively, the Dean could set additional requirements with a view to admission.

An admission examination may also be required in respect of a particular programme or module.

Other programme-specific information

- The mini-dissertation must comprise 23 000 – 25 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography.
- The examination copies of the mini-dissertation to send out to the external examiners must be submitted to Student Administration not later than the end of October for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, end of April for the Spring Graduation Ceremony. A final electronic version must be submitted to Student Administration on or before 15 February for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, 15 July for the Spring Graduation Ceremony after the evaluation of the examination copies of the mini-dissertation to comply with degree requirements.

Examinations and pass requirements

In the event of having failed all modules during a particular year of study, a student will only be allowed to continue with his/her studies with the consent of the Postgraduate Committee.

Although no supplementary examination will be granted with regard to LLM and MPhil modules, the General Regulations and rules apply with regard to special and ancillary examinations.

Research information

The relevant head of department must recommend a supervisor and title for a mini-dissertation and these must be approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The mini-dissertation must be assessed and finalised as set out in the Faculty Board-approved LLM/MPhil Policy Document of the Faculty.

Mini-dissertations, where required, must be submitted in the format determined by the supervisor and approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The supervisor may likewise, subject to the approval of the Postgraduate Committee, also determine the research topic and the scope of the proposed research. (Refer to the [Faculty of Law regulations regarding mini-dissertations](#) and also [Postgraduate administrative processes brochure for the Faculty](#))

Pass with distinction

For the degree to be awarded with distinction a student must obtain an average of at least 75% for all the coursework modules, as well as a minimum of 75% for the mini-dissertation. The modules must have been written for the first time.

General information

Language of tuition



The medium of instruction will be English.

Re-registration for modules

A student may not register more than twice for the same module. In order to pass a module the student must obtain a final mark of 50%.

Period of registration

The duration of the programme will in general be four semesters (2 years) but may be completed within two semesters (1 year) where possible, subject to fulfilment of all the requirements for the degree and payment of the full amount prescribed for the MPhil degree. Programmes may also be structured to allow for one year of study only. The one- or two-year period may only be extended by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the relevant head of department based on good reason shown and if it is clear that the student will be able to complete the programme in a further year of study.

Curriculum: Year 1

Core modules

[Advanced international trade law 802](#) (GIH 802) - Credits: 30.00

[Advanced international investment and business law 802](#) (GTB 802) - Credits: 30.00

[Mini-dissertation 803](#) (MND 803) - Credits: 130.00

[Research methodology 801](#) (RHP 801) - Credits: 5.00

[Research proposal 803](#) (RHP 803) - Credits: 5.00

Curriculum: Final year

Core modules

[Mini-dissertation 803](#) (MND 803) - Credits: 130.00

[Research proposal 803](#) (RHP 803) - Credits: 5.00

LLM Labour Law (Coursework) (04252005)

Minimum duration of study 2 years

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Programme information

Closing date for applications: SA applicants (only) – 30 November.

Also refer to the Postgraduate Brochure for the complete study programme as well as the [Postgraduate administrative processes after registration](#).

The curriculum will generally consist of:

- Three modules counting 30 credits each (at least one of these modules must be completed during the first year of registration).
- A module in research methodology (RHP 801 - 5 credits) (this module must be completed during the first year of registration).
- A research proposal (RHP 803 - 5 credits). The student must submit the research proposal to the supervisor no later than the end of the first semester of the second year of registration for the degree, prior to commencing with the writing of the mini-dissertation. This period may be extended with the approval of the relevant head of department.
- A mini-dissertation. The mini-dissertation must deal with the subject content of one of the modules or a

combination of the modules registered for by the student for his/her LLB/MPhil degree. Any request for an extension of the period for submission of the mini-dissertation may only be granted by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the relevant head of department.

Admission requirements

- 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.

Other programme-specific information

Mini-dissertation

- The mini-dissertation must comprise 13 000 – 15 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography.
- The examination copies of the mini-dissertation, to send out to the external examiners, must be submitted to Student Administration not later than the end of October for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, end of April for the Spring Graduation Ceremony. A final electronic version must be submitted to Student Administration on or before 15 February for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, 15 July for the Spring Graduation Ceremony after the evaluation of the examination copies of the mini-dissertation to comply with degree requirements.

Examinations and pass requirements

In the event of having failed all modules during a particular year of study, a student will only be allowed to continue with his/her studies with the consent of the Postgraduate Committee.

Although no supplementary examination will be granted with regard to LLM and MPhil modules, the General Regulations and rules apply with regard to special and ancillary examinations.

Research information

The relevant head of department must recommend a supervisor and title for a mini-dissertation and these must be approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The mini-dissertation must be assessed and finalised as set out in the Faculty Board-approved LLB/MPhil Policy Document of the Faculty.

Mini-dissertations, where required, must be submitted in the format determined by the supervisor and approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The supervisor may likewise, subject to the approval of the Postgraduate Committee, also determine the research topic and the scope of the proposed research. (Refer to the [Faculty of Law regulations regarding mini-dissertations](#) and also [Postgraduate administrative processes brochure for the Faculty](#))

Pass with distinction

For the degree to be awarded with distinction a student must obtain an average of at least 75% for all the coursework modules, as well as a minimum of 75% for the mini-dissertation. The modules must have been written for the first time.

General information

Period of registration



The duration of the programme will in general be four semesters (2 years) but may be completed within two semesters (1 year) where possible, subject to fulfilment of all the requirements for the degree and payment of the full amount prescribed for the LLM degree. Programmes may also be structured to allow for one year of study only. The one- or two-year period may only be extended by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the relevant head of department based on good reason shown and if it is clear that the student will be able to complete the programme in a further year of study.

Language of tuition

The official language of tuition is English. However, should circumstances allow it, an LLM module may be presented in Afrikaans. The dean, in consultation with the relevant head of department, determines the language of tuition.

Limiting of modules on offer in a particular academic year and availability to foreign students

The dean determines which 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, on recommendation of the relevant head of department, determine the maximum number of registrations for a specific elective module in terms of the prescribed guidelines. The dean may also, on recommendation of the relevant head of department, determine that a particular LLM module will not be offered where on the first day of lectures four or fewer students are registered for such module.

Re-registration for modules

A student may not register more than twice for the same module. In order to pass a module the student must obtain a final mark of 50%.

Curriculum: Year 1

Core modules

Collective labour law 802 (CLL 802) - Credits: 30.00

International labour law 802 (ITA 802) - Credits: 30.00

Individual labour law 801 (IVL 801) - Credits: 30.00

Research methodology 801 (RHP 801) - Credits: 5.00

Curriculum: Final year

Core modules

Mini-dissertation 800 (MND 800) - Credits: 100.00

Research proposal 803 (RHP 803) - Credits: 5.00

LLM Law and Political Justice (Coursework) (04250089)

Minimum duration of study 2 years

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Programme information

Closing date for applications: SA applicants – 30 November; Non SA applicants – 31 August.

Also refer to the Postgraduate Brochure for the complete study programme as well as the [Postgraduate administrative processes after registration](#).

The curriculum will generally consist of:



- Three modules counting 30 credits each (at least one of these modules must be completed during the first year of registration).
- A module in research methodology (RHP 801 - 5 credits) (this module must be completed during the first year of registration).
- A research proposal (RHP 803 - 5 credits). The student must submit the research proposal to the supervisor no later than the end of the first semester of the second year of registration for the degree, prior to commencing with the writing of the mini-dissertation. This period may be extended with the approval of the relevant head of department.
- A mini-dissertation. The mini-dissertation must deal with the subject content of one of the modules or a combination of the modules registered for by the student for his/her LLM/MPhil degree. Any request for an extension of the period for submission of the mini-dissertation may only be granted by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the relevant head of department.

Admission requirements

- 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.

Other programme-specific information

Mini-dissertation

- The mini-dissertation must comprise 13 000 – 15 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography.
- The examination copies of the mini-dissertation, to send out to the external examiners, must be submitted to Student Administration not later than the end of October for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, end of April for the Spring Graduation Ceremony. A final electronic version must be submitted to Student Administration on or before 15 February for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, 15 July for the Spring Graduation Ceremony after the evaluation of the examination copies of the mini-dissertation to comply with degree requirements.

Exemption

In the event of having failed all modules during a particular year of study, a student will only be allowed to continue with his/her studies with the consent of the Postgraduate Committee.

Although no supplementary examination will be granted with regard to LLM and MPhil modules, the General Regulations and rules apply with regard to special and ancillary examinations.

Research information

The relevant head of department must recommend a supervisor and title for a mini-dissertation and these must be approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The mini-dissertation must be assessed and finalised as set out in the Faculty Board-approved LLM/MPhil Policy Document of the Faculty.

Mini-dissertations, where required, must be submitted in the format determined by the supervisor and approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The supervisor may likewise, subject to the approval of the Postgraduate Committee, also determine the research topic and the scope of the proposed research. (Refer to the [Faculty of Law regulations regarding mini-dissertations](#) and also [Postgraduate administrative processes brochure for the](#)



Faculty)

Pass with distinction

For the degree to be awarded with distinction a student must obtain an average of at least 75% for all the coursework modules, as well as a minimum of 75% for the mini-dissertation. The modules must have been written for the first time.

General information

Period of registration

The duration of the programme will in general be four semesters (2 years) but may be completed within two semesters (1 year) where possible, subject to fulfilment of all the requirements for the degree and payment of the full amount prescribed for the LLM degree. Programmes may also be structured to allow for one year of study only. The one- or two-year period may only be extended by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the relevant head of department based on good reason shown and if it is clear that the student will be able to complete the programme in a further year of study.

Language of tuition

The official language of tuition is English. However, should circumstances allow it, an LLM module may be presented in Afrikaans. The dean, in consultation with the relevant head of department, determines the language of tuition.

Limiting of modules on offer in a particular academic year and availability to foreign students

The dean determines which 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, on recommendation of the relevant head of department, determine the maximum number of registrations for a specific elective module in terms of the prescribed guidelines. The dean may also, on recommendation of the relevant head of department, determine that a particular LLM module will not be offered where on the first day of lectures four or fewer students are registered for such module.

Re-registration for modules

A student may not register more than twice for the same module. In order to pass a module the student must obtain a final mark of 50%.

Curriculum: Year 1

Core modules

Global perspectives on law, justice and development 802 (LRD 802) - Credits: 30.00

Post-apartheid jurisprudence 801 (PAJ 801) - Credits: 30.00

Research methodology 801 (RHP 801) - Credits: 5.00

Socio-economic rights in the South African Constitution 802 (SRC 802) - Credits: 30.00

Curriculum: Final year

Core modules

Mini-dissertation 800 (MND 800) - Credits: 100.00

Research proposal 803 (RHP 803) - Credits: 5.00

LLM Law of Contract (Coursework) (04252010)



Minimum duration of study 2 years

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Programme information

Closing date for applications: SA applicants – 30 November

A maximum number of 15 (fifteen) students are selected per two-year cycle of the LLM according to the general selection guidelines.

For admission to the LLM programme, students must have completed a South African LLB degree. Knowledge of the general South African Law of Contract is required as a prerequisite for the advanced LLM modules. For this reason, foreign students can only be accommodated in this coursework LLM in exceptional circumstances.

Subject to the general selection guidelines, the first 15 students who comply with the requirements will be admitted. Applications open in March of the year preceding the first module, and applications are evaluated during September of the aforementioned year.

As this LLM-cycle runs over a two-year period (consisting of 3 semester modules and one mini-dissertation), new applicants are only admitted every second year. A pass mark for the first module is a prerequisite for admission to the second module; and a pass mark for the second module is a prerequisite for admission to the third module. Modules are not all presented in each academic year. In view of this cycle, the LLM (Law of Contract) will commence in 2018 and 2020.

Also refer to the Postgraduate Brochure for the complete study programme as well as the [Postgraduate administrative processes after registration](#).

The curriculum will generally consist of:

- Three modules counting 30 credits each (at least one of these modules must be completed during the first year of registration).
- A module in research methodology (RHP 801 - 5 credits) (this module must be completed during the first year of registration).
- A research proposal (RHP 803 - 5 credits). The student must submit the research proposal to the supervisor no later than the end of the first semester of the second year of registration for the degree, prior to commencing with the writing of the mini-dissertation. This period may be extended with the approval of the relevant head of department.
- A mini-dissertation. The mini-dissertation must deal with the subject content of one of the modules or a combination of the modules registered for by the student for his/her LLM/MPhil degree. Any request for an extension of the period for submission of the mini-dissertation may only be granted by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the relevant head of department.

Admission requirements

- 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.

Other programme-specific information

Mini-dissertation



- The mini-dissertation must comprise 13 000 – 15 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography.
- The examination copies of the mini-dissertation, to send out to the external examiners, must be submitted to Student Administration not later than the end of October for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, end of April for the Spring Graduation Ceremony. A final electronic version must be submitted to Student Administration on or before 15 February for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, 15 July for the Spring Graduation Ceremony after the evaluation of the examination copies of the mini-dissertation to comply with degree requirements.

Examinations and pass requirements

In the event of having failed all modules during a particular year of study, a student will only be allowed to continue with his/her studies with the consent of the Postgraduate Committee.

Although no supplementary examination will be granted with regard to LLM and MPhil modules, the General Regulations and rules apply with regard to special and ancillary examinations.

Research information

The relevant head of department must recommend a supervisor and title for a mini-dissertation and these must be approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The mini-dissertation must be assessed and finalised as set out in the Faculty Board-approved LLM/MPhil Policy Document of the Faculty.

Mini-dissertations, where required, must be submitted in the format determined by the supervisor and approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The supervisor may likewise, subject to the approval of the Postgraduate Committee, also determine the research topic and the scope of the proposed research. (Refer to the [Faculty of Law regulations regarding mini-dissertations](#) and also [Postgraduate administrative processes brochure for the Faculty](#))

Pass with distinction

For the degree to be awarded with distinction a student must obtain an average of at least 75% for all the coursework modules, as well as a minimum of 75% for the mini-dissertation. The modules must have been written for the first time.

General information

Period of registration

The duration of the programme will in general be four semesters (2 years) but may be completed within two semesters (1 year) where possible, subject to fulfilment of all the requirements for the degree and payment of the full amount prescribed for the LLM degree. Programmes may also be structured to allow for one year of study only. The one- or two-year period may only be extended by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the relevant head of department based on good reason shown and if it is clear that the student will be able to complete the programme in a further year of study.

Language of tuition

The official language of tuition is English. However, should circumstances allow it, an LLM module may be presented in Afrikaans. The dean, in consultation with the relevant head of department, determines the language of tuition.

Limiting of modules on offer in a particular academic year and availability to foreign students

The dean determines which 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, on recommendation of the relevant head of department, determine the maximum number of registrations for a specific elective module in terms of the prescribed guidelines. The dean may also, on recommendation of the relevant head of department, determine that a particular LLM module will not be offered where on the first day of lectures four or fewer students are registered for such module.

Re-registration for modules

A student may not register more than twice for the same module. In order to pass a module the student must obtain a final mark of 50%.

Curriculum: Year 1

Core modules

Capita selecta of the general principles of the law of contract 801 (GPC 801) - Credits: 30.00

Interpretation of contracts 802 (GPC 802) - Credits: 30.00

Research methodology 801 (RHP 801) - Credits: 5.00

Curriculum: Final year

Core modules

Mini-dissertation 800 (MND 800) - Credits: 100.00

Research proposal 803 (RHP 803) - Credits: 5.00

LLM Mercantile Law (Coursework) (04252006)

Minimum duration of study 2 years

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Programme information

Closing date for applications: SA applicants – 30 November; non-SA applicants – 31 August.

Also refer to the Postgraduate Brochure for the complete study programme as well as the [Postgraduate administrative processes after registration](#).

The curriculum will generally consist of:

- Three modules counting 30 credits each (at least one of these modules must be completed during the first year of registration).
- A module in research methodology (RHP 801 - 5 credits) (this module must be completed during the first year of registration).
- A research proposal (RHP 803 - 5 credits). The student must submit the research proposal to the supervisor no later than the end of the first semester of the second year of registration for the degree, prior to commencing with the writing of the mini-dissertation. This period may be extended with the approval of the relevant head of department.
- A mini-dissertation. The mini-dissertation must deal with the subject content of one of the modules or a combination of the modules registered for by the student for his/her LLM/MPhil degree. Any request for an extension of the period for submission of the mini-dissertation may only be granted by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the relevant head of department.



Admission requirements

- 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.

Other programme-specific information

Mini-dissertation

- The mini-dissertation must comprise 13 000 – 15 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography.
- The examination copies of the mini-dissertation, to send out to the external examiners, must be submitted to Student Administration not later than the end of October for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, end of April for the Spring Graduation Ceremony. A final electronic version must be submitted to Student Administration on or before 15 February for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, 15 July for the Spring Graduation Ceremony after the evaluation of the examination copies of the mini-dissertation to comply with degree requirements.

Examinations and pass requirements

In the event of having failed all modules during a particular year of study, a student will only be allowed to continue with his/her studies with the consent of the Postgraduate Committee.

Although no supplementary examination will be granted with regard to LLM and MPhil modules, the General Regulations and rules apply with regard to special and ancillary examinations.

Research information

The relevant head of department must recommend a supervisor and title for a mini-dissertation and these must be approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The mini-dissertation must be assessed and finalised as set out in the Faculty Board-approved LLM/MPhil Policy Document of the Faculty.

Mini-dissertations, where required, must be submitted in the format determined by the supervisor and approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The supervisor may likewise, subject to the approval of the Postgraduate Committee, also determine the research topic and the scope of the proposed research. (Refer to the [Faculty of Law regulations regarding mini-dissertations](#) and also [Postgraduate administrative processes brochure for the Faculty](#))

Pass with distinction

For the degree to be awarded with distinction a student must obtain an average of at least 75% for all the coursework modules, as well as a minimum of 75% for the mini-dissertation. The modules must have been written for the first time.

General information

Period of registration

The duration of the programme will in general be four semesters (2 years) but may be completed within two semesters (1 year) where possible, subject to fulfilment of all the requirements for the degree and payment of the full amount prescribed for the LLM degree. Programmes may also be structured to allow for one year of study only. The one- or two-year period may only be extended by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of



the relevant head of department based on good reason shown and if it is clear that the student will be able to complete the programme in a further year of study.

Language of tuition

The official language of tuition is English. However, should circumstances allow it, an LLM module may be presented in Afrikaans. The dean, in consultation with the relevant head of department, determines the language of tuition.

Limiting of modules on offer in a particular academic year and availability to foreign students

The dean determines which 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, on recommendation of the relevant head of department, determine the maximum number of registrations for a specific elective module in terms of the prescribed guidelines. The dean may also, on recommendation of the relevant head of department, determine that a particular LLM module will not be offered where on the first day of lectures four or fewer students are registered for such module.

Re-registration for modules

A student may not register more than twice for the same module. In order to pass a module the student must obtain a final mark of 50%.

Curriculum: Year 1

Core modules

Banking law 802 (BNK 802) - Credits: 30.00

International insolvency law 801 (IIL 801) - Credits: 30.00

Information and communications and technology law 802 (KUB 802) - Credits: 30.00

Research methodology 801 (RHP 801) - Credits: 5.00

Statutory competition law 801 (SCL 801) - Credits: 30.00

Law of specific contracts 802 (SKC 802) - Credits: 30.00

Advanced transnational business law 802 (TBL 802) - Credits: 30.00

Curriculum: Final year

Core modules

Mini-dissertation 800 (MND 800) - Credits: 100.00

Research proposal 803 (RHP 803) - Credits: 5.00

LLM Multidisciplinary Human Rights (Coursework) (04252016)

Minimum duration of study 2 years

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Programme information

Closing date for applications: SA applicants – 30 November; non-SA applicants – 31 August.

Also refer to the Postgraduate Brochure for the complete study programme as well as the [Postgraduate administrative processes after registration](#).

The curriculum will generally consist of:



- Three modules counting 30 credits each (at least one of these modules must be completed during the first year of registration).
- A module in research methodology (RHP 801 - 5 credits) (this module must be completed during the first year of registration).
- A research proposal (RHP 803 - 5 credits). The student must submit the research proposal to the supervisor no later than the end of the first semester of the second year of registration for the degree, prior to commencing with the writing of the mini-dissertation. This period may be extended with the approval of the relevant head of department.
- A mini-dissertation. The mini-dissertation must deal with the subject content of one of the modules or a combination of the modules registered for by the student for his/her LLM/MPhil degree. Any request for an extension of the period for submission of the mini-dissertation may only be granted by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the relevant head of department.

Admission requirements

- 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.

Other programme-specific information

Mini-dissertation

- The mini-dissertation must comprise 13 000 – 15 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography.
- The examination copies of the mini-dissertation, to send out to the external examiners, must be submitted to Student Administration not later than the end of October for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, end of April for the Spring Graduation Ceremony. A final electronic version must be submitted to Student Administration on or before 15 February for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, 15 July for the Spring Graduation Ceremony after the evaluation of the examination copies of the mini-dissertation to comply with degree requirements.

Examinations and pass requirements

In the event of having failed all modules during a particular year of study, a student will only be allowed to continue with his/her studies with the consent of the Postgraduate Committee.

Although no supplementary examination will be granted with regard to LLM and MPhil modules, the General Regulations and rules apply with regard to special and ancillary examinations.

Research information

The relevant head of department must recommend a supervisor and title for a mini-dissertation and these must be approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The mini-dissertation must be assessed and finalised as set out in the Faculty Board-approved LLM/MPhil Policy Document of the Faculty.

Mini-dissertations, where required, must be submitted in the format determined by the supervisor and approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The supervisor may likewise, subject to the approval of the Postgraduate Committee, also determine the research topic and the scope of the proposed research. (Refer to the [Faculty of Law regulations regarding mini-dissertations](#) and also [Postgraduate administrative processes brochure for the](#)



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Pass with distinction

For the degree to be awarded with distinction a student must obtain an average of at least 75% for all the coursework modules, as well as a minimum of 75% for the mini-dissertation. The modules must have been written for the first time.

General information

Period of registration

The duration of the programme will in general be four semesters (2 years) but may be completed within two semesters (1 year) where possible, subject to fulfilment of all the requirements for the degree and payment of the full amount prescribed for the LLM degree. Programmes may also be structured to allow for one year of study only. The one- or two-year period may only be extended by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the relevant head of department based on good reason shown and if it is clear that the student will be able to complete the programme in a further year of study.

Language of tuition

The official language of tuition is English. However, should circumstances allow it, an LLM module may be presented in Afrikaans. The dean, in consultation with the relevant head of department, determines the language of tuition.

Limiting of modules on offer in a particular academic year and availability to foreign students

The dean determines which 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, on recommendation of the relevant head of department, determine the maximum number of registrations for a specific elective module in terms of the prescribed guidelines. The dean may also, on recommendation of the relevant head of department, determine that a particular LLM module will not be offered where on the first day of lectures four or fewer students are registered for such module.

Re-registration for modules

A student may not register more than twice for the same module. In order to pass a module the student must obtain a final mark of 50%.

Curriculum: Year 1

Core modules

History and philosophy of human rights 801 (HPH 801) - Credits: 30.00

Law and sustainable development 801 (LRD 801) - Credits: 30.00

Global perspectives on law, justice and development 802 (LRD 802) - Credits: 30.00

Multidisciplinary human rights 801 (MHR 801) - Credits: 30.00

Post-apartheid jurisprudence 801 (PAJ 801) - Credits: 30.00

Research methodology 801 (RHP 801) - Credits: 5.00

Socio-economic rights in the South African Constitution 802 (SRC 802) - Credits: 30.00

Socio-economic rights under comparative and international law 801 (SRI 801) - Credits: 30.00

Curriculum: Final year

Core modules

Mini-dissertation 800 (MND 800) - Credits: 100.00



Research proposal 803 (RHP 803) - Credits: 5.00

LLM Private Law (Coursework) (04252000)

Minimum duration of study 2 years

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Programme information

Closing date for applications: SA applicants (only) – 30 November.

Also refer to the Postgraduate Brochure for the complete study programme as well as the [Postgraduate administrative processes after registration](#).

The curriculum will generally consist of:

- Three modules counting 30 credits each (at least one of these modules must be completed during the first year of registration).
- A module in research methodology (RHP 801 - 5 credits) (this module must be completed during the first year of registration).
- A research proposal (RHP 803 - 5 credits). The student must submit the research proposal to the supervisor no later than the end of the first semester of the second year of registration for the degree, prior to commencing with the writing of the mini-dissertation. This period may be extended with the approval of the relevant head of department.
- A mini-dissertation. The mini-dissertation must deal with the subject content of one of the modules or a combination of the modules registered for by the student for his/her LLB/MPhil degree. Any request for an extension of the period for submission of the mini-dissertation may only be granted by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the relevant head of department.

Admission requirements

- 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.

Other programme-specific information

Mini-dissertation

- The mini-dissertation must comprise 13 000 – 15 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography.
- The examination copies of the mini-dissertation, to send out to the external examiners, must be submitted to Student Administration not later than the end of October for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, end of April for the Spring Graduation Ceremony. A final electronic version must be submitted to Student Administration on or before 15 February for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, 15 July for the Spring Graduation Ceremony after the evaluation of the examination copies of the mini-dissertation to comply with degree requirements.

Examinations and pass requirements

In the event of having failed all modules during a particular year of study, a student will only be allowed to continue with his/her studies with the consent of the Postgraduate Committee.

Although no supplementary examination will be granted with regard to LLM and MPhil modules, the General Regulations and rules apply with regard to special and ancillary examinations.

Research information

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Mini-dissertations, where required, must be submitted in the format determined by the supervisor and approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The supervisor may likewise, subject to the approval of the Postgraduate Committee, also determine the research topic and the scope of the proposed research. (Refer to the [Faculty of Law regulations regarding mini-dissertations](#) and also [Postgraduate administrative processes brochure for the Faculty](#))

Pass with distinction

For the degree to be awarded with distinction a student must obtain an average of at least 75% for all the coursework modules, as well as a minimum of 75% for the mini-dissertation. The modules must have been written for the first time.

General information

Period of registration

The duration of the programme will in general be four semesters (2 years) but may be completed within two semesters (1 year) where possible, subject to fulfilment of all the requirements for the degree and payment of the full amount prescribed for the LLM degree. Programmes may also be structured to allow for one year of study only. The one- or two-year period may only be extended by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the relevant head of department based on good reason shown and if it is clear that the student will be able to complete the programme in a further year of study.

Language of tuition

The official language of tuition is English. However, should circumstances allow it, an LLM module may be presented in Afrikaans. The dean, in consultation with the relevant head of department, determines the language of tuition.

Limiting of modules on offer in a particular academic year and availability to foreign students

The dean determines which 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, on recommendation of the relevant head of department, determine the maximum number of registrations for a specific elective module in terms of the prescribed guidelines. The dean may also, on recommendation of the relevant head of department, determine that a particular LLM module will not be offered where on the first day of lectures four or fewer students are registered for such module.

Re-registration for modules

A student may not register more than twice for the same module. In order to pass a module the student must obtain a final mark of 50%.

Curriculum: Year 1

Core modules



- Aspects of divorce law 801 (DLA 801) - Credits: 30.00
Aspects of private law pertaining to children 801 (PLC 801) - Credits: 30.00
Research methodology 801 (RHP 801) - Credits: 5.00
Law of specific contracts 802 (SKC 802) - Credits: 30.00
Sports law 801 (SRP 801) - Credits: 30.00

Curriculum: Final year

Core modules

- Mini-dissertation 800 (MND 800) - Credits: 100.00
Research proposal 803 (RHP 803) - Credits: 5.00

LLM Procedural Law (Coursework) (04252013)

Minimum duration of study 2 years

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Programme information

Closing date for applications: SA applicants (only) – 30 November.

This programme is not available for international students.

Also refer to the Postgraduate Brochure for the complete study programme as well as the [Postgraduate administrative processes after registration](#).

The curriculum will generally consist of:

- Three modules counting 30 credits each (at least one of these modules must be completed during the first year of registration).
- A module in research methodology (RHP 801 - 5 credits) (this module must be completed during the first year of registration).
- A research proposal (RHP 803 - 5 credits). The student must submit the research proposal to the supervisor no later than the end of the first semester of the second year of registration for the degree, prior to commencing with the writing of the mini-dissertation. This period may be extended with the approval of the relevant head of department.
- A mini-dissertation. The mini-dissertation must deal with the subject content of one of the modules or a combination of the modules registered for by the student for his/her LLM/MPhil degree. Any request for an extension of the period for submission of the mini-dissertation may only be granted by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the relevant head of department.

Admission requirements

- 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.

Other programme-specific information

Mini-dissertation

- The mini-dissertation must comprise 13 000 – 15 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of



contents and the bibliography.

- The examination copies of the mini-dissertation, to send out to the external examiners, must be submitted to Student Administration not later than the end of October for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, end of April for the Spring Graduation Ceremony. A final electronic version must be submitted to Student Administration on or before 15 February for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, 15 July for the Spring Graduation Ceremony after the evaluation of the examination copies of the mini-dissertation to comply with degree requirements.

Examinations and pass requirements

In the event of having failed all modules during a particular year of study, a student will only be allowed to continue with his/her studies with the consent of the Postgraduate Committee.

Although no supplementary examination will be granted with regard to LLM and MPhil modules, the General Regulations and rules apply with regard to special and ancillary examinations.

Research information

The relevant head of department must recommend a supervisor and title for a mini-dissertation and these must be approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The mini-dissertation must be assessed and finalised as set out in the Faculty Board-approved LLM/MPhil Policy Document of the Faculty.

Mini-dissertations, where required, must be submitted in the format determined by the supervisor and approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The supervisor may likewise, subject to the approval of the Postgraduate Committee, also determine the research topic and the scope of the proposed research. (Refer to the [Faculty of Law regulations regarding mini-dissertations](#) and also [Postgraduate administrative processes brochure for the Faculty](#))

Pass with distinction

For the degree to be awarded with distinction a student must obtain an average of at least 75% for all the coursework modules, as well as a minimum of 75% for the mini-dissertation. The modules must have been written for the first time.

General information

Period of registration

The duration of the programme will in general be four semesters (2 years) but may be completed within two semesters (1 year) where possible, subject to fulfilment of all the requirements for the degree and payment of the full amount prescribed for the LLM degree. Programmes may also be structured to allow for one year of study only. The one- or two-year period may only be extended by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the relevant head of department based on good reason shown and if it is clear that the student will be able to complete the programme in a further year of study.

Language of tuition

The official language of tuition is English. However, should circumstances allow it, an LLM module may be presented in Afrikaans. The dean, in consultation with the relevant head of department, determines the language of tuition.

Limiting of modules on offer in a particular academic year and availability to foreign students

The dean determines which 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, on



recommendation of the relevant head of department, determine the maximum number of registrations for a specific elective module in terms of the prescribed guidelines. The dean may also, on recommendation of the relevant head of department, determine that a particular LLM module will not be offered where on the first day of lectures four or fewer students are registered for such module.

Re-registration for modules

A student may not register more than twice for the same module. In order to pass a module the student must obtain a final mark of 50%.

Curriculum: Year 1

Core modules

[Criminal procedure litigation 801](#) (CCP 801) - Credits: 30.00

[Advanced law of evidence 802](#) (LOE 802) - Credits: 30.00

[Research methodology 801](#) (RHP 801) - Credits: 5.00

Curriculum: Final year

Core modules

[Mini-dissertation 800](#) (MND 800) - Credits: 100.00

[Research proposal 803](#) (RHP 803) - Credits: 5.00

LLM Sexual and Reproductive Rights in Africa (Coursework) (04252019)

Minimum duration of study 2 years

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Programme information

Closing date for applications: SA applicants - 30 November; non-SA applicants - 31 August.

Also refer to the Postgraduate Brochure for the complete study programme as well as the [Postgraduate administrative processes after registration](#).

The curriculum will generally consist of:

- Three modules counting 30 credits each (at least one of these modules must be completed during the first year of registration).
- A module in research methodology (RHP 801 - 5 credits) (this module must be completed during the first year of registration).
- A research proposal (RHP 803 - 5 credits). The student must submit the research proposal to the supervisor no later than the end of the first semester of the second year of registration for the degree, prior to commencing with the writing of the mini-dissertation. This period may be extended with the approval of the relevant head of department.
- A mini-dissertation. The mini-dissertation must deal with the subject content of one of the modules or a combination of the modules registered for by the student for his/her LLM/MPhil degree. Any request for an extension of the period for submission of the mini-dissertation may only be granted by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the relevant head of department.



Admission requirements

In addition to an LLB, BProc or equivalent qualification from a foreign university that allows the applicant entrance to the formal legal profession, the following requirements are set for admission of a prospective student to the LLM Coursework programme:

A minimum average mark of 65% with respect to the prescribed final-year modules of the undergraduate programme is required for admission to an LLM coursework programme.

Where an average of below 65% is achieved, the student may be admitted on recommendation of the relevant head of department after consultation with the programme coordinator and consideration of other merits (eg relevant professional experience; the applicant's performance in undergraduate modules related to the particular LLM; the candidate's performance in independent research essays or similar components) and/or an admission examination.

Linguistic competence, primarily in English; foreign applicants who did not complete undergraduate studies through the medium of English must show proof of competence in English at a minimum average level of 6 out of 10 for IELTS or a minimum total score of 83 in TOEFL calculated as follows: reading 21, listening 17, speaking 23 and writing 22. In any other instance where there is doubt as to the English linguistic competence of an applicant, the Dean may require the same proof as prescribed for foreign applicants.

Foreign qualifications are subject to SAQA evaluation. (Some LLM coursework programmes or modules as indicated in the yearbook may only be available to students who hold a relevant South African legal qualification.)

Even though a student may comply with the above requirements, the Dean may, on the recommendation of the head of department presenting a specific degree or module, refuse to accept a prospective student for any LLM programme if such a student's performance in the chosen modules or field of study during undergraduate study was not satisfactory. Alternatively, the Dean could set additional requirements with a view to admission.

An admission examination may also be required in respect of a particular programme or module.

Other programme-specific information

Mini-dissertation

- The mini-dissertation must comprise 13 000 – 15 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography.
- The examination copies of the mini-dissertation, to send out to the external examiners, must be submitted to Student Administration not later than the end of October for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, end of April for the Spring Graduation Ceremony. A final electronic version must be submitted to Student Administration on or before 15 February for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, 15 July for the Spring Graduation Ceremony after the evaluation of the examination copies of the mini-dissertation to comply with degree requirements.

Examinations and pass requirements

In the event of having failed all modules during a particular year of study, a student will only be allowed to continue with his/her studies with the consent of the Postgraduate Committee.

Although no supplementary examination will be granted with regard to LLM and MPhil modules, the General Regulations and rules apply with regard to special and ancillary examinations.

Research information

The relevant head of department must recommend a supervisor and title for a mini-dissertation and these must

be approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The mini-dissertation must be assessed and finalised as set out in the Faculty Board-approved LLM/MPhil Policy Document of the Faculty.

Mini-dissertations, where required, must be submitted in the format determined by the supervisor and approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The supervisor may likewise, subject to the approval of the Postgraduate Committee, also determine the research topic and the scope of the proposed research. (Refer to the [Faculty of Law regulations regarding mini-dissertations](#) and also [Postgraduate administrative processes brochure for the Faculty](#))

Pass with distinction

For the degree to be awarded with distinction a student must obtain an average of at least 75% for all the coursework modules, as well as a minimum of 75% for the mini-dissertation. The modules must have been written for the first time.

General information

Period of registration

The duration of the programme will in general be four semesters (2 years) but may be completed within two semesters (1 year) where possible, subject to fulfilment of all the requirements for the degree and payment of the full amount prescribed for the LLM degree. Programmes may also be structured to allow for one year of study only. The one- or two-year period may only be extended by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the relevant head of department based on good reason shown and if it is clear that the student will be able to complete the programme in a further year of study.

Language of tuition

The official language of tuition is English. However, should circumstances allow it, an LLM module may be presented in Afrikaans. The dean, in consultation with the relevant head of department, determines the language of tuition.

Limiting of modules on offer in a particular academic year and availability to foreign students

The dean determines which 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, on recommendation of the relevant head of department, determine the maximum number of registrations for a specific elective module in terms of the prescribed guidelines. The dean may also, on recommendation of the relevant head of department, determine that a particular LLM module will not be offered where on the first day of lectures four or fewer students are registered for such module.

Re-registration for modules

A student may not register more than twice for the same module. In order to pass a module the student must obtain a final mark of 50%.

Curriculum: Year 1

Core modules

[International human rights law relevant to sexual and reproductive rights in Africa 802](#) (HRA 802) - Credits: 15.00

[Applying human rights principles to realise sexual and reproductive health rights claims 803](#) (HRA 803) - Credits: 15.00

[Applying human rights principles to selected reproductive health issues in Africa 804](#) (HRA 804) - Credits: 15.00

[Applying human rights principles to selected sexual rights and sexuality issues in Africa 805](#) (HRA 805) - Credits: 15.00



[Research methodology for human rights 801 \(NRM 801\)](#) - Credits: 5.00

Curriculum: Final year

Core modules

[Applying human rights principles to selected rights of sexual minorities in Africa 806 \(HRA 806\)](#) - Credits: 15.00

[Research and adv to realise sexual, reprod health and sexual minority rights claims in Africa 807 \(HRA 807\)](#) -

Credits: 15.00

[Mini-dissertation 802 \(MND 802\)](#) - Credits: 100.00

[Research proposal 803 \(RHP 803\)](#) - Credits: 5.00

LLM Socio-economic Rights (Coursework) (04252004)

Minimum duration of study 2 years

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Programme information

Closing date for applications: SA applicants – 30 November; non-SA applicants – 31 August.

Also refer to the Postgraduate Brochure for the complete study programme as well as the [Postgraduate administrative processes after registration](#).

The curriculum will generally consist of:

- Three modules counting 30 credits each (at least one of these modules must be completed during the first year of registration).
- A module in research methodology (RHP 801 - 5 credits) (this module must be completed during the first year of registration).
- A research proposal (RHP 803 - 5 credits). The student must submit the research proposal to the supervisor no later than the end of the first semester of the second year of registration for the degree, prior to commencing with the writing of the mini-dissertation. This period may be extended with the approval of the relevant head of department.
- A mini-dissertation. The mini-dissertation must deal with the subject content of one of the modules or a combination of the modules registered for by the student for his/her LLM/MPhil degree. Any request for an extension of the period for submission of the mini-dissertation may only be granted by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the relevant head of department.

Admission requirements

In addition to an LLB, BProc or equivalent qualification from a foreign university that allows the applicant entrance to the formal legal profession, the following requirements are set for admission of a prospective student to the LLM Coursework programme:

A minimum average mark of 65% with respect to the prescribed final-year modules of the undergraduate programme is required for admission to an LLM coursework programme.

Where an average of below 65% is achieved, the student may be admitted on recommendation of the relevant head of department after consultation with the programme coordinator and consideration of other merits (eg relevant professional experience; the applicant's performance in undergraduate modules related to the particular LLM; the candidate's performance in independent research essays or similar components) and/or an admission examination.



Linguistic competence, primarily in English; foreign applicants who did not complete undergraduate studies through the medium of English must show proof of competence in English at a minimum average level of 6 out of 10 for IELTS or a minimum total score of 83 in TOEFL calculated as follows: reading 21, listening 17, speaking 23 and writing 22. In any other instance where there is doubt as to the English linguistic competence of an applicant, the Dean may require the same proof as prescribed for foreign applicants.

Foreign qualifications are subject to SAQA evaluation. (Some LLM coursework programmes or modules as indicated in the yearbook may only be available to students who hold a relevant South African legal qualification.)

Even though a student may comply with the above requirements, the Dean may, on the recommendation of the head of department presenting a specific degree or module, refuse to accept a prospective student for any LLM programme if such a student's performance in the chosen modules or field of study during undergraduate study was not satisfactory. Alternatively, the Dean could set additional requirements with a view to admission.

An admission examination may also be required in respect of a particular programme or module.

Other programme-specific information

Mini-dissertation

- The mini-dissertation must comprise 13 000 – 15 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography.
- The examination copies of the mini-dissertation, to send out to the external examiners, must be submitted to Student Administration not later than the end of October for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, end of April for the Spring Graduation Ceremony. A final electronic version must be submitted to Student Administration on or before 15 February for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, 15 July for the Spring Graduation Ceremony after the evaluation of the examination copies of the mini-dissertation to comply with degree requirements.

Examinations and pass requirements

In the event of having failed all modules during a particular year of study, a student will only be allowed to continue with his/her studies with the consent of the Postgraduate Committee.

Although no supplementary examination will be granted with regard to LLM and MPhil modules, the General Regulations and rules apply with regard to special and ancillary examinations.

Research information

The relevant head of department must recommend a supervisor and title for a mini-dissertation and these must be approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The mini-dissertation must be assessed and finalised as set out in the Faculty Board-approved LLM/MPhil Policy Document of the Faculty.

Mini-dissertations, where required, must be submitted in the format determined by the supervisor and approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The supervisor may likewise, subject to the approval of the Postgraduate Committee, also determine the research topic and the scope of the proposed research. (Refer to the [Faculty of Law regulations regarding mini-dissertations](#) and also [Postgraduate administrative processes brochure for the Faculty](#))

Pass with distinction

For the degree to be awarded with distinction a student must obtain an average of at least 75% for all the



coursework modules, as well as a minimum of 75% for the mini-dissertation. The modules must have been written for the first time.

General information

Period of registration

The duration of the programme will in general be four semesters (2 years) but may be completed within two semesters (1 year) where possible, subject to fulfilment of all the requirements for the degree and payment of the full amount prescribed for the LLM degree. Programmes may also be structured to allow for one year of study only. The one- or two-year period may only be extended by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the relevant head of department based on good reason shown and if it is clear that the student will be able to complete the programme in a further year of study.

Language of tuition

The official language of tuition is English. However, should circumstances allow it, an LLM module may be presented in Afrikaans. The dean, in consultation with the relevant head of department, determines the language of tuition.

Limiting of modules on offer in a particular academic year and availability to foreign students

The dean determines which 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, on recommendation of the relevant head of department, determine the maximum number of registrations for a specific elective module in terms of the prescribed guidelines. The dean may also, on recommendation of the relevant head of department, determine that a particular LLM module will not be offered where on the first day of lectures four or fewer students are registered for such module.

Re-registration for modules

A student may not register more than twice for the same module. In order to pass a module the student must obtain a final mark of 50%.

Curriculum: Year 1

Core modules

Post-apartheid jurisprudence 801 (PAJ 801) - Credits: 30.00

Research methodology 801 (RHP 801) - Credits: 5.00

Socio-economic rights in the South African Constitution 802 (SRC 802) - Credits: 30.00

Socio-economic rights under comparative and international law 801 (SRI 801) - Credits: 30.00

Curriculum: Final year

Core modules

Mini-dissertation 800 (MND 800) - Credits: 100.00

Research proposal 803 (RHP 803) - Credits: 5.00

LLM Tax Law (Coursework) (04252015)

Minimum duration of study 2 years

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Programme information

Closing date for applications: SA applicants – 30 November

This LLM is presented annually. A maximum of 20 candidates can be accommodated. It is a specific requirement that the applicant must have completed a module in taxation during the undergraduate studies and the candidate must have experience in the tax environment. The successful completion of the professional examinations to practice as an attorney or an advocate will be recommendations to be accepted on this LLM. If more than 20 candidates qualify to be admitted, the qualifying candidates will be required to write an admissions test during January/February of the year in which the study commences. The test is designed to assess the basic competency of the candidates in respect of tax law and is also intended to equalise the different competencies, degrees and experience of students. The 15-20 students with the highest marks will be admitted to the programme.

The curriculum will generally consist of:

Three modules counting 30 credits each (at least one of these modules must be completed during the first year of registration).

A module in research methodology (RHP 801) counting 5 credits (this module must be completed during the first year of registration).

A research proposal (RHP 803) counting 5 credits. The student must submit the research proposal (RHP 803) to the supervisor not later than the end of the first semester of the second year of registration for the LLM degree, prior to commencing with the writing of the mini-dissertation. This period may be extended with the approval of the head of department.

Mini-dissertation. This mini-dissertation must deal with the subject content of one of the modules or a combination of the modules registered for by the student for his/her LLM degree. Any request for an extension of the period for submission of the mini-dissertation may only be granted by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the head of department.

Also refer to the Postgraduate Brochure for the complete study programme as well as the [Postgraduate administrative processes after registration](#).

Admission requirements

- 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.

Other programme-specific information

- The mini-dissertation must comprise 13 000-15 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography.
- The examination copies of the mini-dissertation to send out to the external examiners must be submitted to Student Administration not later than the end of October for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, end of April for the Spring Graduation Ceremony. A final electronic version must be submitted to Student Administration on or before 15 February for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, 15 July for the Spring Graduation Ceremony after the evaluation of the examination copies of the mini-dissertation to comply with degree requirements.

Examinations and pass requirements

In the event of having failed all modules during a particular year of study, a student will only be allowed to continue with his/her studies with the consent of the Postgraduate Committee.

Although no supplementary examination will be granted with regard to LLM and MPhil modules, the General Regulations and rules apply with regard to special and ancillary examinations.

Research information

The relevant head of department must recommend a supervisor and title for a mini-dissertation and these must be approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The mini-dissertation must be assessed and finalised as set out in the Faculty Board-approved LLM/MPhil Policy Document of the Faculty.

Mini-dissertations, where required, must be submitted in the format determined by the supervisor and approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The supervisor may likewise, subject to the approval of the Postgraduate Committee, also determine the research topic and the scope of the proposed research. (Refer to the [Faculty of Law regulations regarding mini-dissertations](#) and also [Postgraduate administrative processes brochure for the Faculty](#))

Pass with distinction

For the degree to be awarded with distinction a student must obtain an average of at least 75% for all the coursework modules, as well as a minimum of 75% for the mini-dissertation. The modules must have been written for the first time.

General information

Period of registration

The duration of the programme will in general be four semesters (2 years) but may be completed within two semesters (1 year) where possible, subject to fulfilment of all the requirements for the degree and payment of the full amount prescribed for the LLM degree. Programmes may also be structured to allow for one year of study only. The one- or two-year period may only be extended by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the relevant head of department based on good reason shown and if it is clear that the student will be able to complete the programme in a further year of study.

Limiting of modules on offer in a particular academic year and availability to foreign students

The Dean determines which 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, on recommendation of the relevant head of department, determine the maximum number of registrations for a specific elective module in terms of the prescribed guidelines. The Dean may also, on recommendation of the relevant head of department, determine that a particular LLM module will not be offered where on the first day of lectures four or fewer students are registered for such module.

Re-registration for modules

A student may not register more than twice for the same module. In order to pass a module the student must obtain a final mark of 50%.

Curriculum: Year 1

Core modules

[Research methodology 801](#) (RHP 801) - Credits: 5.00

[General principles of income tax 801](#) (TAX 801) - Credits: 30.00

[Tax administration - an international perspective 802](#) (TAX 802) - Credits: 30.00

[Indirect tax 803](#) (TAX 803) - Credits: 30.00



Curriculum: Final year

Core modules

Mini-dissertation 804 (MND 804) - Credits: 100.00

Research proposal 803 (RHP 803) - Credits: 5.00

MPhil (04250004)

Minimum duration of study 2 years

Programme information

If admitted, a student can register immediately for the MPhil 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.)

2. 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 MPhil 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.

3. 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.

Admission requirements

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,

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.

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 500 word description of the proposed research field indicating a research topic, the broad scope of the proposed study and a tentative research problem).

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% (or the equivalent of this mark) with respect to the prescribed modules of the honours or preceding programme (or an equivalent degree). 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 relevant work experience, other academic qualifications and any relevant professional 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. If the potential supervisor is not satisfied with the preliminary research statement, the potential supervisor should assist the candidate in developing and formulating a research statement 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.

Additional requirements

Also consult General Regulations G.30-G.56 as well as the LLM/MPhil Policy document of the Faculty of Law.

Research information

With regard to the curriculum, the relevant General Regulations apply and the dissertation counts 100% for the final mark. The dissertation consists of 36 000-48 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography. The topic of the dissertation must be relevant to a discipline in the field of legal studies, and be approved by the Dean. 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.

Agreement

A written agreement between the student and supervisor should be signed. The document serves as the basis for the interaction between the student and the supervisor. It indicates their individual roles, responsibilities and expectations and making it clear that they are entering into a binding undertaking with each other. The supervisor has the responsibility to ensure that the mini-dissertation is properly prepared by the student.

Pass with distinction

For the degree to be awarded with distinction a student must obtain a minimum of 75% for the dissertation.

Curriculum: Year 1

Core modules

Dissertation: Law 890 (MPI 890) - Credits: 200.00

Research methodology 802 (RHP 802) - Credits: 5.00



Research proposal and oral defence of the research proposal 804 (RHP 804) - Credits: 0.00

Curriculum: Final year

Fundamental modules

Dissertation: Law 890 (MPI 890) - Credits: 200.00

Research proposal and oral defence of the research proposal 804 (RHP 804) - Credits: 0.00

MPhil Disability Rights (Coursework) (04251026)

Minimum duration of study 2 years

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Programme information

This programme is available for international students.

Closing date for applications: SA applicants – 30 November; non-SA applicants – 31 August.

The duration of the programme will be four semesters (2 years).

Admission requirements

- 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.

Other programme-specific information

This is a selection programme and only selected applicants will be admitted to the programme.

Mini-dissertation (MND 800)

An approved research proposal must be submitted before registration for the mini-dissertation.

The mini-dissertation must comprise 13 000 to 15 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography. It must deal with the subject content of one of the modules registered for and should reflect a multidisciplinary perspective on disability rights.

Any request for an extension of the period for the submission of the mini-dissertation may only be granted by the Dean on recommendation of the Postgraduate Committee.

Research information

The relevant head of department must recommend a supervisor and title for a mini-dissertation and these must be approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The mini-dissertation must be assessed and finalised as set out in the Faculty Board-approved LLM Policy Document of the Faculty. Mini-dissertations, where required, must be



submitted in the format determined by the supervisor and approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The supervisor may likewise and subject to the approval of the Postgraduate Committee also determine the research topic and the scope of the proposed research.

Pass with distinction

For the degree to be awarded with distinction a student must obtain an average of at least 75% for all the coursework modules together, as well as a minimum of 75% for the mini-dissertation. The modules must have been written for the first time.

Curriculum: Final year

Core modules

Contemporary challenges in disability law, policy and practice in Africa 805 (DRL 805) - Credits: 25.00

Mini-dissertation 800 (MND 800) - Credits: 100.00

Research proposal 803 (RHP 803) - Credits: 5.00

MPhil Environmental Law (Coursework) (04251008)

Minimum duration of study 2 years

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Programme information

Closing date for applications: SA applicants – 30 November; non-SA applicants – 31 August

Particular MPhil programmes have additional specific selection criteria and deadlines specific to that programme.

A limited number of approximately between 10 and 20 students are selected per year according to the general selection guidelines.

For admission to the MPhil programme, students must have at least an honours degree in an academic discipline relevant to environmental law; or any other qualification in an academic discipline relevant to the environment and environmental law that allows admission to a master's programme at the institution where the undergraduate qualification was obtained. If that qualification has a duration of less than 4 years, substantial proven practical or professional experience in environmental law is further required, subject to the discretion of the Dean.

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

- i. a demonstrated professional, academic and personal interest in and commitment to environmental law;
- ii. 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 (the 'multiplier effect');
- iii. geographic representation (in the sense that an overrepresentation of students from a particular African country will be avoided, given the pan-African scope and ambitions of the programme);
- iv. gender representation (in the sense that an equitable balance between women and men is sought);
- v. equitable representation of persons from vulnerable communities (such as persons with disabilities, persons belonging to indigenous communities and LGBTI persons).
- vi. The MPhil (Environmental Law) is presented in alternate years.

The curriculum will generally consist of:



- Four modules counting 30 credits each (at least one of these modules must be completed during the first year of registration).
- A module in research methodology (RHP 801) counting 5 credits (this module must be completed during the first year of registration).
- A research proposal (RHP 803) counting 5 credits. The student must submit the research proposal (RHP 803) to the supervisor not later than the end of the first semester of the second year of registration for the MPhil degree, prior to commencing with the writing of the mini-dissertation. This period may be extended with the approval of the head of department.
- Mini-dissertation. This mini-dissertation must deal with the subject content of one of the modules or a combination of the modules registered for by the student for his/her MPhil degree. Any request for an extension of the period for submission of the mini-dissertation may only be granted by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the head of department.

Also refer to the Postgraduate Brochure for the complete study programme as well as the [Postgraduate administrative processes after registration](#).

Admission requirements

- 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.

Other programme-specific information

Mini-dissertation

- The mini-dissertation must comprise 13 000 – 15 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography.
- The examination copies of the mini-dissertation, to send out to the external examiners, must be submitted to Student Administration not later than the end of October for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, end of April for the Spring Graduation Ceremony. A final electronic version must be submitted to Student Administration on or before 15 February for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, 15 July for the Spring Graduation Ceremony after the evaluation of the examination copies of the mini-dissertation to comply with degree requirements.

Examinations and pass requirements

In the event of having failed all modules during a particular year of study, a student will only be allowed to continue with his/her studies with the consent of the Postgraduate Committee.

Although no supplementary examination will be granted with regard to LLM and MPhil modules, the General Regulations and rules apply with regard to special and ancillary examinations.

Research information

The relevant head of department must recommend a supervisor and title for a mini-dissertation and these must be approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The mini-dissertation must be assessed and finalised as set out in the Faculty Board-approved LLM/MPhil Policy Document of the Faculty.

Mini-dissertations, where required, must be submitted in the format determined by the supervisor and approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The supervisor may likewise, subject to the approval of the Postgraduate Committee, also determine the research topic and the scope of the proposed research. (Refer to the [Faculty of Law regulations regarding mini-dissertations](#) and also [Postgraduate administrative processes brochure for the Faculty](#))

Pass with distinction

For the degree to be awarded with distinction a student must obtain an average of at least 75% for all the coursework modules, as well as a minimum of 75% for the mini-dissertation. The modules must have been written for the first time.

General information

Period of registration

The duration of the programme will in general be four semesters (2 years) but may be completed within two semesters (1 year) where possible, subject to fulfilment of all the requirements for the degree and payment of the full amount prescribed for the MPhil degree. Programmes may also be structured to allow for one year of study only. The one- or two-year period may only be extended by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the relevant head of department based on good reason shown and if it is clear that the student will be able to complete the programme in a further year of study.

Language of tuition

The official language of tuition is English. However, should circumstances allow it, a master's module may be presented in Afrikaans. The Dean, in consultation with the relevant head of department, determines the language of tuition.

Limiting of modules on offer in a particular academic year and availability to foreign students

The Dean may on recommendation of the relevant head of department limit the number of students to be allowed to register for any MPhil programme or module. Where such limitation applies, prospective students must be informed about the limitation when they apply. Where the Dean allows such a limitation, the relevant head of department must, in consultation with the relevant programme coordinator, select students who otherwise comply with the admission requirements for an MPhil coursework degree, according to the following selection guidelines:

1. General academic performance in the undergraduate degree; specific academic performance in undergraduate degree module(s) directly related to the particular MPhil; and academic performance in independent research essays or similar components.
2. Any academic qualifications other than the prescribed undergraduate degree.
3. Relevant practical experience and training.
4. Diversity.
5. Whether the relevant MPhil is the applicant's first choice.
6. Where an admission examination is prescribed, the results of such examination may be considered in addition to the above criteria.
7. Date on which a complete application was received (only complete applications will be considered -



incomplete applications will be set aside and will not be considered until a complete application is received).

Where applicants satisfy the criteria set out above, applicants will in general be accepted on a date-of-receipt order of preference.

Re-registration for modules

A student may not register more than twice for the same module. In order to pass a module the student must obtain a final mark of 50%.

Curriculum: Year 1

Core modules

Administrative law 802 (ASL 802) - Credits: 30.00

Strategic environmental management 822 (ENS 822) - Credits: 15.00

Environmental law 816 (ENV 816) - Credits: 15.00

Research methodology 801 (RHP 801) - Credits: 5.00

Socio-economic rights in the South African Constitution 802 (SRC 802) - Credits: 30.00

Curriculum: Final year

Core modules

Administrative law 802 (ASL 802) - Credits: 30.00

Strategic environmental management 822 (ENS 822) - Credits: 15.00

Environmental law 816 (ENV 816) - Credits: 15.00

Mini-dissertation 800 (MND 800) - Credits: 100.00

Research proposal 803 (RHP 803) - Credits: 5.00

Socio-economic rights in the South African Constitution 802 (SRC 802) - Credits: 30.00

MPhil Extractive Industry Policy, Management and Regulation (Coursework) (04251027)

Minimum duration of study 1 year

Programme information

Closing date for applications: SA applicants – 30 November; non-SA applicants – 31 August.

This programme is structured to allow for one year of study; therefore, the programme may be completed within two semesters (1 year), subject to fulfilment of all the requirements for the degree and payment of the full amount prescribed for the MPhil degree.

Please contact the Faculty with regard to specific regulations pertaining to MPhil degree programmes.

Admission requirements

- 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.

Other programme-specific information

This is a selection-based programme and only selected applicants will be admitted to the programme. The mini-dissertation must comprise 13 000 to 15 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the table of contents and the bibliography. (The methodology and content of the mini-dissertation should reflect a multidisciplinary perspective on extractive industry policy, management and regulation.) Any request for an extension of the period for the submission of the mini-dissertation may only be granted by the Dean on recommendation of the Postgraduate Committee.

Research information

The relevant head of department must recommend a supervisor and title for a mini-dissertation and these must be approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The mini-dissertation must be assessed and finalised as set out in the Faculty Board-approved LLM Policy Document. Mini-dissertations, where required, must be submitted in the format determined by the supervisor and approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The supervisor may likewise and subject to the approval of the Postgraduate Committee determine the research topic and the scope of the proposed research.

Pass with distinction

For the degree to be awarded with distinction a student must obtain an average of at least 75% for all the coursework modules together, as well as a minimum of 75% for the mini-dissertation. The modules must have been written for the first time.

Curriculum: Year 1

Core modules

[Rights to and regulation of natural resources 801 \(EIL 801\)](#) - Credits: 30.00

[Sustainability aspects of extractive industries 802 \(EIL 802\)](#) - Credits: 30.00

[The South Africa Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act 803 \(EIL 803\)](#) - Credits: 30.00

[Socio-economic development and management of non-renewable natural resources 812 \(EIL 812\)](#) - Credits: 30.00

[Research methodology for human rights 801 \(NRM 801\)](#) - Credits: 5.00

[Research methodology 801 \(RHP 801\)](#) - Credits: 5.00

Curriculum: Final year

Core modules

[Mini-dissertation 800 \(MND 800\)](#) - Credits: 100.00

[Research proposal 803 \(RHP 803\)](#) - Credits: 5.00

MPhil Human Rights and Democratisation in Africa (Coursework) (04251023)

Minimum duration of study 1 year

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Programme information

Closing date: 31 July

A limited number of up to 10 students are selected per year. Depending on the availability of funding, scholarships covering at least tuition, accommodation and official programme activities are covered for as many of these students as possible. Students who do not receive scholarships may be admitted as self-funding students, provided they meet all the minimum criteria below, and provided they guarantee payment of at least all or a significant part of tuition, accommodation and official programme activities, to an amount set by the Centre annually.

For admission to the MPhil programme, students must have completed an Honours degree (at a South African University) or a degree allowing study at the Master's level in a discipline related to human rights and democratisation (in respect of non-South African universities).

Applicants must submit fully completed applications to the Centre for Human Rights by 30 July every year.

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

- i. a demonstrated professional, academic and personal interest in and commitment to human rights and democratisation in Africa;
- ii. 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 (the 'multiplier effect');
- iii. geographic representation (in the sense that an overrepresentation of students from a particular African country will be avoided, given the pan-African scope and ambitions of the programme);
- iv. gender representation (in the sense that an equitable balance between women and men is sought);
- v. equitable representation of persons from vulnerable communities (such as persons with disabilities, persons belonging to indigenous communities and LGBTI persons).

All complete applications, received by 30 July of a particular year, are processed and considered by the MPhil Programme Manager and Head of Research of the Centre, who identify a number of eligible candidates three times the available positions.

The Assistant Director of the Centre identifies a number of candidates twice the number of available positions. Each of these applicants is then contacted and required to write an essay within a restricted time period (for example, 24 hours) of being given the topic. The Head of Research and Director of the Centre assess these essays.

On the basis of all the assessments, including the essay, the Chair of the Council of Directors of the 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 MPhil Programme (if available), the Director of the Centre for Human Rights, the Assistant Director of the Centre for Human Rights, the MPhil Programme Manager and the Head of Research, Centre for Human Rights.

The curriculum will generally consist of:

- Six modules which are compulsory and has to be completed during the first year of registration.
- A module in research methodology (NRM 801 – 5 credits) (this module must be completed during the first year of registration).
- A research proposal (RHP 803 – 5 credits). The student must submit the research proposal to the supervisor no later than the end of the first semester of the second year of registration for the degree, prior to commencing



with the writing of the mini-dissertation. This period may be extended with the approval of the relevant head of department.

- A mini-dissertation. The mini-dissertation must deal with the subject content of one of the modules or a combination of the modules registered for by the student for his/her LLM/MPhil degree. Any request for an extension of the period for submission of the mini-dissertation may only be granted by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the relevant head of department.

Also refer to the Postgraduate Brochure for the complete study programme as well as the [Postgraduate administrative processes after registration](#).

Admission requirements

For admission to the MPhil programme, students must have completed an Honours degree (at a South African University) or a degree allowing study at the Master's level in a discipline related to human rights and democratisation (in respect of non-South African universities).

Applicants must submit fully completed applications to the Centre for Human Rights by 30 July every year.

Other programme-specific information

The mini-dissertation must comprise 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.)

Examinations and pass requirements

In the event of having failed all modules during a particular year of study, a student will only be allowed to continue with his/her studies with the consent of the Postgraduate Committee.

Although no supplementary examination will be granted with regard to LLM and MPhil modules, the General Regulations and rules apply with regard to special and ancillary examinations.

Research information

Contact the programme coordinator: Prof M Killander.

General information

Language of tuition

The medium of instruction will be English.

Re-registration for modules

A student may not register more than twice for the same module. In order to pass a module the student must obtain a final mark of 50%.

The duration of the programme will be completed within two semesters (1 year). This study programme is structured to allow for only one year of study.

Curriculum: Final year

Core modules

[Accredited course in human rights 802](#) (ACH 802) - Credits: 15.00

[Applied human rights 801](#) (AHR 801) - Credits: 15.00

[Democratisation in Africa 801](#) (DIA 801) - Credits: 15.00



Human rights in Africa 801 (HRA 801) - Credits: 15.00

International and comparative human rights 801 (ICH 801) - Credits: 15.00

Mini-dissertation 802 (MND 802) - Credits: 100.00

Research methodology for human rights 801 (NRM 801) - Credits: 5.00

Research proposal 803 (RHP 803) - Credits: 5.00

Introduction to the South African legal system and Bill of Rights 801 (RVM 801) - Credits: 15.00

MPhil Law and Political Justice (Coursework) (04250068)

Minimum duration of study 2 years

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Programme information

Closing date for applications: SA applicants – 30 November; non-SA applicants – 31 August.

Also refer to the Postgraduate Brochure for the complete study programme as well as the [Postgraduate administrative processes after registration](#).

The curriculum will generally consist of:

- Three modules counting 30 credits each (at least one of these modules must be completed during the first year of registration).
- A module in research methodology (RHP 801 - 5 credits) (this module must be completed during the first year of registration).
- A research proposal (RHP 803 - 5 credits). The student must submit the research proposal to the supervisor no later than the end of the first semester of the second year of registration for the degree, prior to commencing with the writing of the mini-dissertation. This period may be extended with the approval of the relevant head of department.
- A mini-dissertation. The mini-dissertation must deal with the subject content of one of the modules or a combination of the modules registered for by the student for his/her LLM/MPhil degree. Any request for an extension of the period for submission of the mini-dissertation may only be granted by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the relevant head of department.

Admission requirements

- 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.

Other programme-specific information

Mini-dissertation



- The mini-dissertation must comprise 13 000 – 15 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography.
- The examination copies of the mini-dissertation, to send out to the external examiners, must be submitted to Student Administration not later than the end of October for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, end of April for the Spring Graduation Ceremony. A final electronic version must be submitted to Student Administration on or before 15 February for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, 15 July for the Spring Graduation Ceremony after the evaluation of the examination copies of the mini-dissertation to comply with degree requirements.

Examinations and pass requirements

In the event of having failed all modules during a particular year of study, a student will only be allowed to continue with his/her studies with the consent of the Postgraduate Committee.

Although no supplementary examination will be granted with regard to LLM and MPhil modules, the General Regulations and rules apply with regard to special and ancillary examinations.

Research information

The relevant head of department must recommend a supervisor and title for a mini-dissertation and these must be approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The mini-dissertation must be assessed and finalised as set out in the Faculty Board-approved LLM/MPhil Policy Document of the Faculty.

Mini-dissertations, where required, must be submitted in the format determined by the supervisor and approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The supervisor may likewise, subject to the approval of the Postgraduate Committee, also determine the research topic and the scope of the proposed research. (Refer to the [Faculty of Law regulations regarding mini-dissertations](#) and also [Postgraduate administrative processes brochure for the Faculty](#))

Pass with distinction

For the degree to be awarded with distinction a student must obtain an average of at least 75% for all the coursework modules, as well as a minimum of 75% for the mini-dissertation. The modules must have been written for the first time.

General information

Period of registration

The duration of the programme will in general be four semesters (2 years) but may be completed within two semesters (1 year) where possible, subject to fulfilment of all the requirements for the degree and payment of the full amount prescribed for the MPhil degree. Programmes may also be structured to allow for one year of study only. The one- or two-year period may only be extended by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the relevant head of department based on good reason shown and if it is clear that the student will be able to complete the programme in a further year of study.

Language of tuition

The official language of tuition is English. However, should circumstances allow it, a master's module may be presented in Afrikaans. The Dean, in consultation with the relevant head of department, determines the language of tuition.

Limiting of modules on offer in a particular academic year and availability to foreign students

The Dean may on recommendation of the relevant head of department limit the number of students to be



allowed to register for any MPhil programme or module. Where such limitation applies, prospective students must be informed about the limitation when they apply. Where the Dean allows such a limitation, the relevant head of department must, in consultation with the relevant programme coordinator, select students who otherwise comply with the admission requirements for an MPhil coursework degree, according to the following selection guidelines:

1. General academic performance in the undergraduate degree; specific academic performance in undergraduate degree module(s) directly related to the particular MPhil; and academic performance in independent research essays or similar components.
2. Any academic qualifications other than the prescribed undergraduate degree.
3. Relevant practical experience and training.
4. Diversity.
5. Whether the relevant MPhil is the applicant's first choice.
6. Where an admission examination is prescribed, the results of such examination may be considered in addition to the above criteria.
7. Date on which a complete application was received (only complete applications will be considered - incomplete applications will be set aside and will not be considered until a complete application is received).

Where applicants satisfy the criteria set out above, applicants will in general be accepted on a date-of-receipt order of preference.

Re-registration for modules

A student may not register more than twice for the same module. In order to pass a module the student must obtain a final mark of 50%.

Curriculum: Year 1

Core modules

History and philosophy of human rights 801 (HPH 801) - Credits: 30.00

Global perspectives on law, justice and development 802 (LRD 802) - Credits: 30.00

Post-apartheid jurisprudence 801 (PAJ 801) - Credits: 30.00

Research methodology 801 (RHP 801) - Credits: 5.00

Curriculum: Final year

Fundamental modules

Mini-dissertation 800 (MND 800) - Credits: 100.00

Research proposal 803 (RHP 803) - Credits: 5.00

MPhil Medical Law and Ethics (Coursework) (04250080)

Minimum duration of study 2 years

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Programme information

Closing date for applications: SA applicants – 30 November; non-SA applicants – 31 August

A limited number of approximately between 10 and 20 students are selected per year according to the general

selection guidelines.

Also refer to the Postgraduate Brochure for the complete study programme as well as the [Postgraduate administrative processes after registration](#).

The curriculum will generally consist of:

- Three modules counting 30 credits each (at least one of these modules must be completed during the first year of registration).
- A module in research methodology (RHP 801 - 5 credits) (this module must be completed during the first year of registration).
- A research proposal (RHP 803 - 5 credits). The student must submit the research proposal to the supervisor no later than the end of the first semester of the second year of registration for the degree, prior to commencing with the writing of the mini-dissertation. This period may be extended with the approval of the relevant head of department.
- A mini-dissertation. The mini-dissertation must deal with the subject content of one of the modules or a combination of the modules registered for by the student for his/her LLM/MPhil degree. Any request for an extension of the period for submission of the mini-dissertation may only be granted by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the relevant head of department.

Admission requirements

For admission to the MPhil programme, students must have at least an honours degree in an academic discipline relevant to medical law and ethics, or any other qualification in an academic discipline relevant to medical law and ethics that allows admission to a master's programme at the institution where the undergraduate qualification was obtained. If that qualification has a duration of less than 4 years, substantial proven practical or professional experience in medical law and ethics is further required, subject to the discretion of the Dean.

Registration as a healthcare practitioner/allied healthcare practitioner/nurse in terms of the applicable legislation will be a strong recommendation.

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

- (i) a demonstrated professional, academic and personal interest in and commitment to human rights and democratisation in Africa;
- (ii) 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 (the 'multiplier effect');
- (iii) geographic representation (in the sense that an overrepresentation of students from a particular African country will be avoided, given the pan-African scope and ambitions of the programme);
- (iv) gender representation (in the sense that an equitable balance between women and men is sought);
- (v) equitable representation of persons from vulnerable communities (such as persons with disabilities, persons belonging to indigenous communities and LGBTI persons).

Other programme-specific information

Mini-dissertation

- The mini-dissertation must comprise 13 000 - 15 000 words - including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography.
- The examination copies of the mini-dissertation, to send out to the external examiners, must be submitted to Student Administration not later than the end of October for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, end of April for the Spring Graduation Ceremony. A final electronic version must be submitted to Student Administration on or

before 15 February for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, 15 July for the Spring Graduation Ceremony after the evaluation of the examination copies of the mini-dissertation to comply with degree requirements.

Examinations and pass requirements

In the event of having failed all modules during a particular year of study, a student will only be allowed to continue with his/her studies with the consent of the Postgraduate Committee.

Although no supplementary examination will be granted with regard to LLM and MPhil modules, the General Regulations and rules apply with regard to special and ancillary examinations.

Research information

The relevant head of department must recommend a supervisor and title for a mini-dissertation and these must be approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The mini-dissertation must be assessed and finalised as set out in the Faculty Board-approved LLM/MPhil Policy Document of the Faculty.

Mini-dissertations, where required, must be submitted in the format determined by the supervisor and approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The supervisor may likewise, subject to the approval of the Postgraduate Committee, also determine the research topic and the scope of the proposed research. (Refer to the [Faculty of Law regulations regarding mini-dissertations](#) and also [Postgraduate administrative processes brochure for the Faculty](#))

Pass with distinction

For the degree to be awarded with distinction a student must obtain an average of at least 75% for all the coursework modules, as well as a minimum of 75% for the mini-dissertation. The modules must have been written for the first time.

General information

Language of tuition

The official language of tuition is English. However, should circumstances allow it, a master's module may be presented in Afrikaans. The Dean, in consultation with the relevant head of department, determines the language of tuition.

Limiting of modules on offer in a particular academic year and availability to foreign students

The Dean may on recommendation of the relevant head of department limit the number of students to be allowed to register for any MPhil programme or module. Where such limitation applies, prospective students must be informed about the limitation when they apply. Where the Dean allows such a limitation, the relevant head of department must, in consultation with the relevant programme coordinator, select students who otherwise comply with the admission requirements for an MPhil coursework degree, according to the following selection guidelines:

1. General academic performance in the undergraduate degree; specific academic performance in undergraduate degree module(s) directly related to the particular MPhil; and academic performance in independent research essays or similar components.
2. Any academic qualifications other than the prescribed undergraduate degree.
3. Relevant practical experience and training.
4. Diversity.
5. Whether the relevant MPhil is the applicant's first choice.



6. Where an admission examination is prescribed, the results of such examination may be considered in addition to the above criteria.
7. Date on which a complete application was received (only complete applications will be considered - incomplete applications will be set aside and will not be considered until a complete application is received).

Where applicants satisfy the criteria set out above, applicants will in general be accepted on a date-of-receipt order of preference.

Re-registration for modules

A student may not register more than twice for the same module. In order to pass a module the student must obtain a final mark of 50%.

The duration of the programme will in general be four semesters (2 years). The two-year period may only be extended by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the relevant head of department based on good reason shown and if it is clear that the student will be able to complete the programme in a further year of study.

Curriculum: Year 1

Core modules

Medico-legal issues 813 (PBL 813) - Credits: 30.00

Research methodology 801 (RHP 801) - Credits: 5.00

Curriculum: Final year

Core modules

Mini-dissertation 800 (MND 800) - Credits: 100.00

Medico-legal issues 813 (PBL 813) - Credits: 30.00

Research proposal 803 (RHP 803) - Credits: 5.00

MPhil Multidisciplinary Human Rights (Coursework) (04251024)

Minimum duration of study 2 years

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Programme information

Closing date for applications: SA applicants – 30 November; non-SA applicants – 31 August.

Also refer to the Postgraduate Brochure for the complete study programme as well as the [Postgraduate administrative processes after registration](#).

The curriculum will generally consist of:

- Three modules counting 30 credits each (at least one of these modules must be completed during the first year of registration).
- A module in research methodology (RHP 801 - 5 credits) (this module must be completed during the first year of registration).
- A research proposal (RHP 803 - 5 credits). The student must submit the research proposal to the supervisor no later than the end of the first semester of the second year of registration for the degree, prior to commencing with the writing of the mini-dissertation. This period may be extended with the approval of the relevant head of department.



- A mini-dissertation. The mini-dissertation must deal with the subject content of one of the modules or a combination of the modules registered for by the student for his/her LLM/MPhil degree. Any request for an extension of the period for submission of the mini-dissertation may only be granted by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the relevant head of department.

Admission requirements

- 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.

Other programme-specific information

Mini-dissertation

- The mini-dissertation must comprise 13 000 – 15 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography.
- The examination copies of the mini-dissertation, to send out to the external examiners, must be submitted to Student Administration not later than the end of October for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, end of April for the Spring Graduation Ceremony. A final electronic version must be submitted to Student Administration on or before 15 February for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, 15 July for the Spring Graduation Ceremony after the evaluation of the examination copies of the mini-dissertation to comply with degree requirements.

Examinations and pass requirements

In the event of having failed all modules during a particular year of study, a student will only be allowed to continue with his/her studies with the consent of the Postgraduate Committee.

Although no supplementary examination will be granted with regard to LLM and MPhil modules, the General Regulations and rules apply with regard to special and ancillary examinations.

Research information

The relevant head of department must recommend a supervisor and title for a mini-dissertation and these must be approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The mini-dissertation must be assessed and finalised as set out in the Faculty Board-approved LLM/MPhil Policy Document of the Faculty.

Mini-dissertations, where required, must be submitted in the format determined by the supervisor and approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The supervisor may likewise, subject to the approval of the Postgraduate Committee, also determine the research topic and the scope of the proposed research. (Refer to the [Faculty of Law regulations regarding mini-dissertations](#) and also [Postgraduate administrative processes brochure for the Faculty](#))



Pass with distinction

For the degree to be awarded with distinction a student must obtain an average of at least 75% for all the coursework modules, as well as a minimum of 75% for the mini-dissertation. The modules must have been written for the first time.

General information

Period of registration

The duration of the programme will in general be four semesters (2 years) but may be completed within two semesters (1 year) where possible, subject to fulfilment of all the requirements for the degree and payment of the full amount prescribed for the MPhil degree. Programmes may also be structured to allow for one year of study only. The one- or two-year period may only be extended by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the relevant head of department based on good reason shown and if it is clear that the student will be able to complete the programme in a further year of study.

Language of tuition

The official language of tuition is English. However, should circumstances allow it, a master's module may be presented in Afrikaans. The Dean, in consultation with the relevant head of department, determines the language of tuition.

Limiting of modules on offer in a particular academic year and availability to foreign students

The Dean may on recommendation of the relevant head of department limit the number of students to be allowed to register for any MPhil programme or module. Where such limitation applies, prospective students must be informed about the limitation when they apply. Where the Dean allows such a limitation, the relevant head of department must, in consultation with the relevant programme coordinator, select students who otherwise comply with the admission requirements for an MPhil coursework degree, according to the following selection guidelines:

1. General academic performance in the undergraduate degree; specific academic performance in undergraduate degree module(s) directly related to the particular MPhil; and academic performance in independent research essays or similar components.
2. Any academic qualifications other than the prescribed undergraduate degree.
3. Relevant practical experience and training.
4. Diversity.
5. Whether the relevant MPhil is the applicant's first choice.
6. Where an admission examination is prescribed, the results of such examination may be considered in addition to the above criteria.
7. Date on which a complete application was received (only complete applications will be considered - incomplete applications will be set aside and will not be considered until a complete application is received).

Where applicants satisfy the criteria set out above, applicants will in general be accepted on a date-of-receipt order of preference.

Re-registration for modules

A student may not register more than twice for the same module. In order to pass a module the student must obtain a final mark of 50%.

Curriculum: Year 1

Core modules

[History and philosophy of human rights 801 \(HPH 801\)](#) - Credits: 30.00



Law and sustainable development 801 (LRD 801) - Credits: 30.00
Global perspectives on law, justice and development 802 (LRD 802) - Credits: 30.00
Multidisciplinary human rights 801 (MHR 801) - Credits: 30.00
Post-apartheid jurisprudence 801 (PAJ 801) - Credits: 30.00
Research methodology 801 (RHP 801) - Credits: 5.00
Socio-economic rights in the South African Constitution 802 (SRC 802) - Credits: 30.00
Socio-economic rights under comparative and international law 801 (SRI 801) - Credits: 30.00

Curriculum: Final year

Core modules

Mini-dissertation 800 (MND 800) - Credits: 100.00
Research proposal 803 (RHP 803) - Credits: 5.00

MPhil Sexual and Reproductive Rights in Africa (Coursework) (04251025)

Minimum duration of study 2 years

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Programme information

Closing date for applications: SA applicants - 30 November; non-SA applicants - 31 August.

The curriculum will generally consist of:

- Six modules which are compulsory and has to be completed during the first year of registration.
- A module in research methodology (NRM 801 – 5 credits) (this module must be completed during the first year of registration).
- A research proposal (RHP 803 – 5 credits). The student must submit the research proposal to the supervisor no later than the end of the first semester of the second year of registration for the degree, prior to commencing with the writing of the mini-dissertation. This period may be extended with the approval of the relevant head of department.
- A mini-dissertation. The mini-dissertation must deal with the subject content of one of the modules or a combination of the modules registered for by the student for his/her LLM/MPhil degree. Any request for an extension of the period for submission of the mini-dissertation may only be granted by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the relevant head of department.

Also refer to the Postgraduate Brochure for the complete study programme as well as the [Postgraduate administrative processes after registration](#).

Admission requirements

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.

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.

Where an average of below 65% is achieved, the student may be admitted on recommendation of the relevant head of department after consultation with the programme coordinator and consideration of other merits (eg relevant professional experience; the applicant's performance in undergraduate modules related to the particular MPhil; the candidate's performance in independent research essays or similar components) and/or an admission examination.

Linguistic competence, primarily in English; foreign applicants who did not complete undergraduate studies through the medium of English must show proof of competence in English at a minimum average level of 6 out of 10 for IELTS or a minimum total score of 83 in TOEFL calculated as follows: reading 21, listening 17, speaking 23 and writing 22. In any other instance where there is doubt as to the English linguistic competence of an applicant, the Dean may require the same proof as prescribed for foreign applicants.

Foreign qualifications are subject to SAQA evaluation. (Some MPhil coursework programmes or modules as indicated in the yearbook may only be available to students who hold a relevant South African qualification.)

Even though a student may comply with the above requirements, the Dean may, on the recommendation of the head of department presenting a specific degree or module, refuse to accept a prospective student for any MPhil programme if such a student's performance in the chosen modules or field of study during undergraduate study was not satisfactory. Alternatively, the Dean could set additional requirements with a view to admission.

An admission examination may also be required in respect of a particular programme or module.

Other programme-specific information

- The mini-dissertation must comprise 18 000 – 20 000 words – including footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography
- The examination copies of the mini-dissertation to send out to the external examiners must be submitted to Student Administration not later than the end of October for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, end of April for the Spring Graduation Ceremony. A final electronic version must be submitted to Student Administration on or before 15 February for the Autumn Graduation Ceremony, 15 July for the Spring Graduation Ceremony after the evaluation of the examination copies of the mini-dissertation to comply with degree requirements.

Examinations and pass requirements

In the event of having failed all modules during a particular year of study, a student will only be allowed to continue with his/her studies with the consent of the Postgraduate Committee.

Although no supplementary examination will be granted with regard to LLM and MPhil modules, the General Regulations and rules apply with regard to special and ancillary examinations.

Research information

The relevant head of department must recommend a supervisor and title for a mini-dissertation and these must be approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The mini-dissertation must be assessed and finalised as set out in the Faculty Board-approved LLM/MPhil Policy Document of the Faculty.

Mini-dissertations, where required, must be submitted in the format determined by the supervisor and approved by the Postgraduate Committee. The supervisor may likewise, subject to the approval of the Postgraduate



Committee, also determine the research topic and the scope of the proposed research. (Refer to the [Faculty of Law regulations regarding mini-dissertations](#) and also [Postgraduate administrative processes brochure for the Faculty](#))

Pass with distinction

For the degree to be awarded with distinction a student must obtain an average of at least 75% for all the coursework modules, as well as a minimum of 75% for the mini-dissertation. The modules must have been written for the first time.

General information

Language of tuition

The official language of tuition is English. However, should circumstances allow it, a master's module may be presented in Afrikaans. The Dean, in consultation with the relevant head of department, determines the language of tuition.

Limiting of modules on offer in a particular academic year and availability to foreign students

The Dean may on recommendation of the relevant head of department limit the number of students to be allowed to register for any MPhil programme or module. Where such limitation applies, prospective students must be informed about the limitation when they apply. Where the Dean allows such a limitation, the relevant head of department must, in consultation with the relevant programme coordinator, select students who otherwise comply with the admission requirements for an MPhil coursework degree, according to the following selection guidelines:

1. General academic performance in the undergraduate degree; specific academic performance in undergraduate degree module(s) directly related to the particular MPhil; and academic performance in independent research essays or similar components.
2. Any academic qualifications other than the prescribed undergraduate degree.
3. Relevant practical experience and training.
4. Diversity.
5. Whether the relevant MPhil is the applicant's first choice.
6. Where an admission examination is prescribed, the results of such examination may be considered in addition to the above criteria.
7. Date on which a complete application was received (only complete applications will be considered - incomplete applications will be set aside and will not be considered until a complete application is received).

Where applicants satisfy the criteria set out above, applicants will in general be accepted on a date-of-receipt order of preference.

Re-registration for modules

A student may not register more than twice for the same module. In order to pass a module the student must obtain a final mark of 50%.

The duration of the programme will in general be four semesters (2 years). The two-year period may only be extended by the Postgraduate Committee on recommendation of the relevant head of department based on good reason shown and if it is clear that the student will be able to complete the programme in a further year of study.

Curriculum: Year 1

Core modules

[International human rights law relevant to sexual and reproductive rights in Africa 802 \(HRA 802\)](#) - Credits: 15.00



Applying human rights principles to realise sexual and reproductive health rights claims 803 (HRA 803) - Credits: 15.00

Applying human rights principles to selected reproductive health issues in Africa 804 (HRA 804) - Credits: 15.00

Applying human rights principles to selected sexual rights and sexuality issues in Africa 805 (HRA 805) - Credits: 15.00

Research methodology for human rights 801 (NRM 801) - Credits: 5.00

Curriculum: Final year

Core modules

Applying human rights principles to selected rights of sexual minorities in Africa 806 (HRA 806) - Credits: 15.00

Research and adv to realise sexual, reprod health and sexual minority rights claims in Africa 807 (HRA 807) - Credits: 15.00

Mini-dissertation 802 (MND 802) - Credits: 100.00

Research proposal 803 (RHP 803) - Credits: 5.00



Doctorate

LLD (04260003)

Minimum duration of study 2 years

Programme information

Registration and renewal of registration

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

2. 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 LLD thesis is required. A draft research proposal including a bibliography that covers the main fields to be covered by the study, the thesis 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 thesis. (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.

3. Structured research proposal preparation (RHP 906) (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.

The criterion for the award of the doctorate is original research. The degree will not be conferred until work equivalent to at least two years of study has been completed.

Admission requirements

Subject to the stipulations of the relevant General Regulations, a candidate for the LLD programme must be in possession of at least an LL.M degree, or an equivalent degree.

Where applicable a candidate must apply to SAQA for an evaluation of their foreign qualification.

The Faculty Board may grant exemption from the above conditions.

A candidate for the LLD programme must submit a writing portfolio consisting of the LL.M mini-dissertation/dissertation and/or other recent research-based essays, assignments or the like, as well as a letter of motivation and a preliminary research statement (an 800 word description of the proposed research field



indicating a research topic, the broad scope of the proposed study, a tentative research problem and an indication of how the proposed doctorate will contribute to scholarship in the relevant field).

A candidate will only be admitted to the LLD programme if he/she obtained at least 65% (or the equivalent of this mark) for the dissertation or mini-dissertation of the preceding master's degree (or an equivalent degree). 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 relevant work experience, other academic qualifications and an admission examination.

A candidate will only be admitted to the LLD programme if the Faculty can provide a suitable supervisor in light of the applicant's preliminary research statement, and writing portfolio. If the potential supervisor is not satisfied with the preliminary research statement, the potential supervisor should assist the candidate in developing and formulating a research statement 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.

The dean, on advice of the postgraduate committee, may advise a candidate to enrol for the LLM: Research programme instead of the LLD programme.

Research information

Thesis and article

The LLD degree is conferred by virtue of a thesis, and an oral defence of the thesis. The topic of the thesis must be selected from the fields of study, and be approved by the Dean. (See the relevant General Regulations for finalisation of the thesis.)

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

Agreement

A written agreement between the student and supervisor should be signed. The document serves as the basis for the interaction between the student and the supervisor. It indicates their individual roles, responsibilities and expectations and making it clear that they are entering into a binding undertaking with each other. The supervisor has the responsibility to ensure that the thesis is properly prepared by the student.

Oral defence of the thesis

After receipt of the reports of the external examiners, the examiners' recommendations in terms of G.50.4(d)(ii) which are preliminary in nature, must be subjected to the successful completion of revisions as required by the examiners and recommendations of the Postgraduate Committee. In such a case the Postgraduate Committee may require that the candidate be called for an oral to question or to confirm these revisions and recommendations.

The supervisor may in general also arrange a public lecture on the topic to be presented by the candidate. The lecture as such will not have a bearing on the outcome of the thesis.

Curriculum: Year 1

Core modules

Thesis: Law 990 (LLD 990) - Credits: 360.00

Research methodology 902 (RHP 902) - Credits: 5.00



Research proposal and oral defence of the research proposal 904 (RHP 904) - Credits: 5.00

Curriculum: Final year

Core modules

Thesis: Law 990 (LLD 990) - Credits: 360.00

Research proposal and oral defence of the research proposal 904 (RHP 904) - Credits: 5.00

PhD (04260004)

Minimum duration of study 2 years

Programme information

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

2. 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 PhD thesis is required. A draft research proposal including a bibliography that covers the main fields to be covered by the study, the thesis 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 thesis. (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.

3. Structured research proposal preparation (RHP 906) (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.

The criterion for the award of the doctorate is original research. The degree will not be conferred until work equivalent to at least two years of study has been completed.

Also consult General Regulations G.42-G.56.

Admission requirements

- 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 on recommendation of the relevant head of department after consultation with potential supervisor(s) and consideration of other factors, including relevant work experience, other academic qualifications and an admission examination. 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 relevant work experience, other academic qualifications and an admission examination. 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 relevant work experience, other academic qualifications, the merit of the 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 research proposal.
- An acceptable level of proficiency in English is required.
- Foreign qualifications are subject to SAQA evaluation.

Additional requirements

Subject to the stipulations of the relevant General Regulations, a candidate for the PhD programme must be in possession of at least an MPhil degree, or an equivalent degree.

Foreign qualifications are subject to SAQA evaluation.

The Faculty Board may grant exemption from the above conditions.

A candidate will only be admitted to the PhD programme if he/she complies with a 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.

A candidate will only be admitted to the PhD programme if the Faculty can provide a suitable supervisor in light of the applicant's preliminary research proposal.

Pass with distinction

Thesis and article

The PhD degree is conferred by virtue of a thesis, and an oral defence of the thesis. The topic of the thesis must be relevant to a discipline in the field of legal studies, and be approved by the Dean. (See the relevant General Regulation for finalisation of the thesis.) The final copy of the thesis must be accompanied by a proof of submission of an article to an accredited journal. The article must be based on the research that the student has conducted for the thesis and be approved by the supervisor.

Agreement

A written agreement between the student and supervisor should be signed. The document serves as the basis for the interaction between the student and the supervisor. It indicates their individual roles, responsibilities and expectations and making it clear that they are entering into a binding undertaking with each other. The supervisor has the responsibility to ensure that the thesis is properly prepared by the student.

Oral defence of the thesis

After receipt of the reports of the external examiners, the examiners' recommendations in terms of G.50.4(d)(ii) which are preliminary in nature, must be subjected to the successful completion of revisions as required by the examiners and recommendations of the Postgraduate Committee. In exceptional cases and when recommended by the HOD and/or supervisor, the Postgraduate Committee may require that the candidate be called for an oral examination to question or to confirm these revisions and recommendations. The Postgraduate Committee may



also require an oral examination when the examiners' reports do not reflect substantial consensus. The supervisor may also arrange a public lecture on the topic to be presented by the candidate. The public lecture as such will not have a bearing on the outcome of the thesis.

Curriculum: Year 1

Core modules

Thesis: Law 990 (DPI 990) - Credits: 360.00

Research methodology 902 (RHP 902) - Credits: 5.00

Research proposal and oral defence of the research proposal 904 (RHP 904) - Credits: 5.00

Curriculum: Final year

Core modules

Thesis: Law 990 (DPI 990) - Credits: 360.00

Research proposal and oral defence of the research proposal 904 (RHP 904) - Credits: 5.00



Modules

Africa ADR 820 (AAD 820)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Module credits	30.00
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Procedural Law
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Module content

In this module a multidisciplinary approach is adopted and the topics include the following:

- Indigenous principles in relation to ADR
- Continental issues in relation to ADR
- Practices, methods and techniques, theory in relation to ADR employed in various regions in Africa.
- Comparative ADR methods.
- Practical case studies and training

Labour law 210 (ABR 210)

Qualification	Undergraduate
Module credits	15.00
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	3 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Mercantile Law
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Module content

*For LLB and BA/BCom specialising in law

- Introduction to mercantile law
- Basic principles in respect of individual labour law
- General principles in respect of collective labour law
- Resolution of labour disputes
- Arbitration procedures in respect of labour disputes

Labour law 311 (ABR 311)

Qualification	Undergraduate
Module credits	20.00



Programmes	BCom BCom Human Resource Management BSc Construction Management BSocSci Industrial Sociology and Labour Studies
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Service modules	Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences Faculty of Humanities
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Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
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Contact time	1 tutorial every 2nd week, 2 lectures per week
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Language of tuition	Separate classes for Afrikaans and English
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Department	Mercantile Law
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Period of presentation	Semester 1
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Module content

Basic principles of the employment contract. Collective labour law. Statutory conditions of employment. Individual labour disputes. Collective labour disputes. Settlement procedures.

Labour law 410 (ABR 410)

Qualification	Undergraduate
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Module credits	10.00
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Programmes	LLB
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Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
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Contact time	2 lectures per week
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Language of tuition	Separate classes for Afrikaans and English
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Department	Mercantile Law
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Period of presentation	Semester 1
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Module content

*For LLB

- Individual labour law
- Collective labour law
- Resolution of labour disputes

Accredited course in human rights 802 (ACH 802)

Qualification	Postgraduate
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Module credits	15.00
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Programmes	LLM Human Rights and Democratisation in Africa (Coursework) MPhil Human Rights and Democratisation in Africa (Coursework)
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Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
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Contact time	2 lectures per week
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Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Centre for Human Rights

Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

During the second semester of the programme, students follow prescribed academic modules at the universities to which they are allocated and undertake internships with human rights organisations if so required.

Accredited module 802 (ADC 802)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 30.00

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Centre for Human Rights

Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

During the second semester of the programme, a student may complete an applicable module at an international institution.

International ADR and online ADR 830 (ADR 830)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 30.00

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Public Law

Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

In this module, specific aspects of international ADR and Online ADR are discussed. Specifics topics include:

- International ADR practices at the different types of forum.
- A thorough study of the different forums of operation.
- Online ADR and the respective forums
- Online ADR and the different forums
- Comparative study of specific countries and their international ADR and online ADR practices.

Afrikaans 110 (AFR 110)

Qualification Undergraduate



Module credits 12.00

BA
BA Extended programme
BA Fine Arts
BA Languages
BA Law
BCom Law
BDiv
BEd Foundation Phase Teaching
BEd Intermediate Phase Teaching
BEd Senior Phase and Further Education and Training Teaching
BIS Information Science
BIS Publishing
LLB

Programmes

Service modules

Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology
Faculty of Education
Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences
Faculty of Law
Faculty of Health Sciences

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 discussion classes per week, 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in Afrikaans

Department Afrikaans

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

Taalkundekomponent: Inleiding tot die Afrikaanse taalkunde met klem op lees-en skryfvaardigheid.

Letterkundekomponent: Inleiding tot die Afrikaanse en Nederlandse letterkunde aan die hand van kortverhale en gedigte.

Afrikaans 114 (AFR 114)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 12.00

Programmes BCom Law
LLB

Service modules Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences
Faculty of Law

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in Afrikaans

Department Afrikaans

Period of presentation Semester 1



Module content

Afrikaans for speakers of other languages (1)

*No mother tongue speakers of Afrikaans will be allowed to take this module.

A subject for advanced learners of Afrikaans. A basic knowledge of Afrikaans grammar and listening, reading, writing and speaking skills are required.

Afrikaans 120 (AFR 120)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 12.00

Programmes

BA
BA Extended programme
BA Fine Arts
BA Languages
BA Law
BCom Law
BDiv
BEd Foundation Phase Teaching
BEd Intermediate Phase Teaching
BEd Senior Phase and Further Education and Training Teaching
BIS Information Science
BIS Publishing
BPolSci Political Studies
LLB

Service modules

Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology
Faculty of Education
Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences
Faculty of Law
Faculty of Health Sciences

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 discussion classes per week, 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in Afrikaans

Department Afrikaans

Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

Taalkundekomponent: Inleiding tot die Afrikaanse sintaksis, fonetiek en taalgeskiedenis.

Letterkundekomponent: Inleiding tot die Romankuns Inleiding tot die Drama

Alternative dispute resolution 420 (AGF 420)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 10.00

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week



Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Procedural Law

Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

*For LLB

Theory pertaining to negotiating, mediation and arbitration as well as the theoretical and practical implementation thereof in various legal fields such as criminal law, matrimonial law, international law, labour law and sectional title law.

Applied human rights 801 (AHR 801)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 15.00

Programmes [LLM Human Rights and Democratisation in Africa \(Coursework\)](#)
[MPhil Human Rights and Democratisation in Africa \(Coursework\)](#)

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Centre for Human Rights

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

In this module, the principles and practice of international criminal law are discussed; students also undertake a visit to and report on the situation in a selected African state where they are exposed to the practical application of human rights, democratisation or international criminal law.

Advanced international law 802 (AIL 802)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 30.00

Programmes [LLM International Air, Space and Telecommunications Law \(Coursework\)](#)
[LLM International Law \(Coursework\)](#)

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Public Law

Period of presentation Semester 1 or Semester 2



Module content

The topics covered include:

- (a) International humanitarian law
- (b) Use of force
- (c) Terrorism
- (d) Humanitarian intervention
- (e) Extradition
- (f) Diplomatic law

Academic information management 101 (AIM 101)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 6.00

Programmes

BA
BA Audiology
BA Extended programme
BA Fine Arts
BA Information Design
BA Languages
BA Speech-Language Pathology
BA Visual Studies
BDiv
BDram
BEd Foundation Phase Teaching
BEd Intermediate Phase Teaching
BEd Senior Phase and Further Education and Training Teaching
BIS Information Science
BIS Multimedia
BIS Publishing
BIT Information Systems
BMus
BMus Extended programme
BPolSci International Studies
BPolSci Political Studies
BRad in Diagnostics
BSW
BSc Computer Science
BSc Information and Knowledge Systems
BSocSci Heritage and Cultural Tourism
BSocSci Industrial Sociology and Labour Studies
BSocSci Philosophy, Politics and Economics
BTRP
BTh



Service modules	Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology Faculty of Education Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences Faculty of Humanities Faculty of Law Faculty of Health Sciences Faculty of Natural and Agricultural Sciences Faculty of Theology and Religion Faculty of Veterinary Science
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Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
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Contact time	2 lectures per week
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Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
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Department	Information Science
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Period of presentation	Semester 1
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Module content
Find, evaluate, process, manage and present information resources for academic purposes using appropriate technology. Apply effective search strategies in different technological environments. Demonstrate the ethical and fair use of information resources. Integrate 21st-century communications into the management of academic information.

Academic information management 102 (AIM 102)

Qualification	Undergraduate
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Module credits	6.00
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BA Law
BConSci Clothing Retail Management
BConSci Food Retail Management
BConSci Hospitality Management
BSc Actuarial and Financial Mathematics
BSc Applied Mathematics
BSc Architecture
BSc Biochemistry
BSc Biological Sciences
BSc Biotechnology
BSc Chemistry
BSc Culinary Science
BSc Ecology
BSc Engineering and Environmental Geology
BSc Entomology
BSc Environmental Sciences
BSc Food Science
BSc Genetics
BSc Geography
BSc Geoinformatics
BSc Geology
BSc Human Genetics
BSc Human Physiology
BSc Human Physiology, Genetics and Psychology
BSc Interior Architecture
BSc Landscape Architecture
BSc Mathematical Statistics
BSc Mathematics
BSc Medical Sciences
BSc Meteorology
BSc Microbiology
BSc Nutrition
BSc Physics
BSc Plant Science
BSc Zoology
BScAgric Agricultural Economics and Agribusiness Management
BScAgric Animal Science
BScAgric Applied Plant and Soil Sciences
BScAgric Plant Pathology
BVSc
LLB

Programmes

Service modules

Faculty of Education
Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences
Faculty of Humanities
Faculty of Law
Faculty of Health Sciences
Faculty of Natural and Agricultural Sciences
Faculty of Theology and Religion
Faculty of Veterinary Science

Prerequisites

No prerequisites.



Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Information Science
Period of presentation	Semester 2

Module content

Find, evaluate, process, manage and present information resources for academic purposes using appropriate technology. Apply effective search strategies in different technological environments. Demonstrate the ethical and fair use of information resources. Integrate 21st-century communications into the management of academic information.

Academic information management 111 (AIM 111)

Qualification	Undergraduate
Module credits	4.00



Programmes

BA
BA Extended programme
BA Fine Arts
BA Languages
BA Law
BA Visual Studies
BAdmin Public Management and International Relations
BCMP
BChD
BCom
BCom Accounting Sciences
BCom Agribusiness Management
BCom Business Management
BCom Econometrics
BCom Economics
BCom Extended programme
BCom Financial Sciences
BCom Human Resource Management
BCom Informatics Information Systems
BCom Investment Management
BCom Law
BCom Marketing Management
BCom Statistics
BCom Statistics and Data Science
BCom Supply Chain Management
BConSci Clothing Retail Management
BConSci Food Retail Management
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BIS Publishing
BIT Information Systems
BNurs
BOH
BOccTher
BPhysio
BPolSci International Studies
BPolSci Political Studies
BRad in Diagnostics
BSW
BSc Actuarial and Financial Mathematics
BSc Applied Mathematics
BSc Architecture
BSc Biochemistry
BSc Biological Sciences
BSc Biotechnology
BSc Chemistry
BSc Computer Science
BSc Construction Management
BSc Culinary Science
BSc Ecology
BSc Engineering and Environmental Geology
BSc Entomology
BSc Environmental Sciences
BSc Extended programme - Biological and Agricultural Sciences
BSc Extended programme - Mathematical Sciences
BSc Extended programme - Physical Sciences
BSc Food Science
BSc Genetics
BSc Geography
BSc Geoinformatics
BSc Geology
BSc Human Genetics
BSc Human Physiology
BSc Human Physiology, Genetics and Psychology
BSc Information and Knowledge Systems
BSc Interior Architecture
BSc Landscape Architecture
BSc Mathematical Statistics
BSc Mathematics
BSc Medical Sciences
BSc Meteorology
BSc Microbiology
BSc Nutrition
BSc Physics
BSc Plant Science
BSc Quantity Surveying
BSc Real Estate
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BScAgric Applied Plant and Soil Sciences
BScAgric Plant Pathology
BSocSci Heritage and Cultural Tourism
BSocSci Industrial Sociology and Labour Studies
BSocSci Philosophy, Politics and Economics
BSportSci
BTRP
BTh
BVetNurs
Diploma in Theology
MBChB



Service modules	Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology Faculty of Education Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences Faculty of Humanities Faculty of Law Faculty of Health Sciences Faculty of Natural and Agricultural Sciences Faculty of Theology and Religion
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Information Science
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Module content

Find, evaluate, process, manage and present information resources for academic purposes using appropriate technology.

Academic information management 121 (AIM 121)

Qualification	Undergraduate
Module credits	4.00



Programmes

BA
BA Extended programme
BA Fine Arts
BA Languages
BA Law
BA Visual Studies
BAdmin Public Management and International Relations
BCMP
BChD
BCom
BCom Accounting Sciences
BCom Agribusiness Management
BCom Business Management
BCom Econometrics
BCom Economics
BCom Extended programme
BCom Financial Sciences
BCom Human Resource Management
BCom Informatics Information Systems
BCom Investment Management
BCom Law
BCom Marketing Management
BCom Statistics
BCom Statistics and Data Science
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BIS Multimedia
BIS Publishing
BIT Information Systems
BNurs
BOH
BOccTher
BPhysio
BPolSci International Studies
BPolSci Political Studies
BRad in Diagnostics
BSW
BSc Actuarial and Financial Mathematics
BSc Applied Mathematics
BSc Architecture
BSc Biochemistry
BSc Biological Sciences
BSc Biotechnology
BSc Chemistry
BSc Computer Science
BSc Construction Management
BSc Culinary Science
BSc Ecology
BSc Engineering and Environmental Geology
BSc Entomology
BSc Environmental Sciences
BSc Extended programme - Biological and Agricultural Sciences
BSc Extended programme - Mathematical Sciences
BSc Extended programme - Physical Sciences
BSc Food Science
BSc Genetics
BSc Geography
BSc Geoinformatics
BSc Geology
BSc Human Genetics
BSc Human Physiology
BSc Human Physiology, Genetics and Psychology
BSc Information and Knowledge Systems
BSc Interior Architecture
BSc Landscape Architecture
BSc Mathematical Statistics
BSc Mathematics
BSc Medical Sciences
BSc Meteorology
BSc Microbiology
BSc Nutrition
BSc Physics
BSc Plant Science
BSc Quantity Surveying
BSc Real Estate
BSc Zoology
BScAgric Agricultural Economics and Agribusiness Management
BScAgric Animal Science
BScAgric Applied Plant and Soil Sciences
BScAgric Plant Pathology
BSocSci Heritage and Cultural Tourism
BSocSci Industrial Sociology and Labour Studies
BSocSci Philosophy, Politics and Economics
BSportSci
BTRP
BTh
BVetNurs
Diploma in Theology
MBChB



Service modules	Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology Faculty of Education Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences Faculty of Humanities Faculty of Law Faculty of Health Sciences Faculty of Natural and Agricultural Sciences Faculty of Theology and Religion Faculty of Veterinary Science
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Informatics
Period of presentation	Semester 2

Module content

Apply effective search strategies in different technological environments. Demonstrate the ethical and fair use of information resources. Integrate 21st-century communications into the management of academic information.

Advanced consumer credit law 802 (AML 802)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Module credits	30.00
Programmes	LLM Banking Law (Coursework) LLM Consumer Protection Law (Coursework)
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Mercantile Law
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Module content

An advanced study in consumer credit law.

Advanced consumer protection 803 (AML 803)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Module credits	30.00
Programmes	LLM Consumer Protection Law (Coursework)
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Mercantile Law
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Module content

An advanced study in consumer protection law.



International consumer protection 804 (AML 804)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Module credits	30.00
Programmes	LLM Consumer Protection Law (Coursework)
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Mercantile Law
Period of presentation	Semester 2

Module content

An advanced study in international consumer protection.

Law and transformation 410 (AMR 410)

Qualification	Undergraduate
Module credits	10.00
Programmes	LLB
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Jurisprudence
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Module content

*For LLB

Introductory debate on the universality and cultural specificity of human rights and a historical overview of human rights in Africa. The module focuses on the notion of transformation and explores its theoretical content as well as practical implications. Students will be expected to investigate and develop a transformative jurisprudence/ a jurisprudence of transformation. Issues to be considered include: human rights and democracy; constitutional sovereignty in South Africa; the notion of transformative constitutionalism; critical engagements with transformation; instantiations of transformation.

Deeds and notarial practice 410 (ANO 410)

Qualification	Undergraduate
Module credits	10.00
Programmes	LLB
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.



Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Procedural Law
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Module content

*For LLB

- (a) An overview of the origin and development of the professions of conveyancer and notary
- (b) Statutory provisions applicable to conveyancers and notaries
- (c) Professional responsibility and ethics
- (d) Aspects surrounding the transfer of immovable property, registration of mortgage bonds, servitudes and real rights
- (e) Practical drafting of deeds and notarial documents

Administration of estates 801 (AOE 801)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Module credits	30.00
Programmes	LLM Estate Law (Coursework)
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Private Law
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Module content

- (a) The administration process and legislation
- (b) Executor appointment and duties
- (c) Methods of liquidation
- (d) The liquidation and distribution account
- (e) Estate duty
- (f) Drafting of the executor's account

Aspects of the law of succession 801 (ASC 801)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Module credits	30.00
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Private Law
Period of presentation	Semester 1 or Semester 2



Module content

- (a) General principles of intestate and testate succession
- (b) Formalities and incorporation by reference
- (c) Power of condonation
- (d) Influence of the Constitution on succession
- (e) Pactum successorium and massing
- (f) Aspects of revocation and revival of wills
- (g) Testamentary capacity and capacity to benefit

Administrative law 802 (ASL 802)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 30.00

Programmes [LLM Constitutional and Administrative Law \(Coursework\)](#)
[LLM Environmental Law \(Coursework\)](#)
[MPhil Environmental Law \(Coursework\)](#)

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Public Law

Period of presentation Semester 1 or Semester 2

Module content

An advanced study of a selection of topics in the administrative law

General principles of income tax law 801 (ATL 801)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 30.00

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Mercantile Law

Period of presentation Semester 1



Module content

- (a) Interpretation of tax legislation
- (b) Gross income
- (c) General deductions
- (d) Specific deductions and allowances
- (e) Assessed losses
- (f) Objections and appeals
- (g) Rules of the Tax Court
- (h) General Anti-Avoidance Rule (GAAR)

Aspects of the law of trusts 802 (AVT 802)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Module credits	30.00
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Private Law
Period of presentation	Semester 1 or Semester 2

Module content

- (a) The basic trust-idea and the importance thereof in the formation and administration of trusts
- (b) The trust and other legal institutions; anomalies in the law of trusts
- (c) Essentialia of the trust with the emphasis on problems identified in case law
- (d) The juridical construction of the inter vivos trust - a critical evaluation
- (e) The protection of trust beneficiaries with specific reference to the so-called "core elements" of the trust
- (f) Parties to the trust
- (g) The trust and taxation
- (h) The trust as instrument in estate planning

Business law 210 (BER 210)

Qualification	Undergraduate
Module credits	16.00



Programmes	BCom BCom Agribusiness Management BCom Business Management BCom Economics BCom Financial Sciences BCom Human Resource Management BCom Informatics Information Systems BCom Marketing Management BCom Supply Chain Management BConSci Clothing Retail Management BConSci Food Retail Management BConSci Hospitality Management BSc Geoinformatics BScAgric Agricultural Economics and Agribusiness Management
Service modules	Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences Faculty of Natural and Agricultural Sciences
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	1 discussion class per week, 2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Mercantile Law
Period of presentation	Semester 1
Module content	Basic principles of law of contract. Law of sales, credit agreements, lease.

Business law 220 (BER 220)

Qualification	Undergraduate
Module credits	16.00
Programmes	BCom BCom Agribusiness Management BCom Business Management BCom Economics BCom Financial Sciences BCom Human Resource Management BCom Informatics Information Systems BCom Supply Chain Management BConSci Clothing Retail Management BConSci Food Retail Management
Service modules	Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences Faculty of Natural and Agricultural Sciences
Prerequisites	Examination entrance for BER 210
Contact time	1 discussion class per week, 2 lectures per week



Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Mercantile Law

Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

Labour law. Aspects of security law. Law of insolvency. Entrepreneurial law; company law, law concerning close corporations. Law of partnerships.

Business law 310 (BER 310)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 10.00

Programmes
BEng Industrial Engineering
BEng Industrial Engineering ENGAGE
BSc Construction Management
BSc Quantity Surveying
BSc Real Estate

Service modules Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 4 lectures per week

Language of tuition Separate classes for Afrikaans and English

Department Mercantile Law

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

Introduction to law. General principles of the law of contract. Specific contracts: purchase contracts; letting and hiring of work; employment contracts. Agency. General aspects of entrepreneurial law.

Tax practice 420 (BLP 420)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 10.00

Programmes LLB

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Afrikaans and English are used in one class

Department Mercantile Law

Period of presentation Semester 2



Module content

*For LLB

- (a) Transfer duty
- (b) Value-added tax
- (c) Diverse tax matters

Tax law 310 (BLR 310)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 10.00

Programmes LLB

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Separate classes for Afrikaans and English

Department Mercantile Law

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

*For LLB

- (a) Foundations of income tax
- (b) Calculation of income tax payable
- (c) Capital gains tax

Tax law 410 (BLR 410)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 10.00

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Separate classes for Afrikaans and English

Department Mercantile Law

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

*For LLB

- (a) Basic principles
- (b) Calculation of tax payable
- (c) Gross income
- (d) Allowable deductions
- (e) Formula for determining tax payable
- (f) Objections and appeals
- (g) Capital gains tax



Banking law 802 (BNK 802)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Module credits	30.00
Programmes	LLM Banking Law (Coursework) LLM Mercantile Law (Coursework)
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Mercantile Law
Period of presentation	Semester 1 or Semester 2

Module content

An advanced study in banking law and the regulation of banks.

Banking law - Capita Selecta 803 (BNK 803)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Module credits	30.00
Programmes	LLM Banking Law (Coursework)
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Mercantile Law
Period of presentation	Semester 1 or Semester 2

Module content

An advanced study in selected aspects of banking law.

Law of evidence 300 (BWR 300)

Qualification	Undergraduate
Module credits	10.00
Programmes	LLB
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Separate classes for Afrikaans and English
Department	Procedural Law
Period of presentation	Year



Module content

*For LLB

- (a) Basic principles of the law of evidence and rules relating to the admissibility of specific categories of evidence.
- (b) Evidential aspects relating to the giving of evidence and the constitutional implications for the law of evidence.

Law of evidence 321 (BWR 321)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 6.00

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Separate classes for Afrikaans and English

Department Procedural Law

Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

*For LLB

Evidential aspects relating to the giving of evidence and the constitutional implications for the law of evidence.

Criminal procedure litigation 801 (CCP 801)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 30.00

Programmes [LLM Procedural Law \(Coursework\)](#)

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Procedural Law

Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

The module comprises a study of selected capita of temporary issues relating to the law of criminal procedure. Aspects dealt with include the following:

- (a) Problematic aspects with regard to the application and interpretation of the Bill of Rights especially with regard to pre-trial procedures
- (b) A critical analysis of certain aspects regarding bail
- (c) Issues regarding plea bargaining
- (d) Diversion as an effective alternative to prosecution

Competition law 420 (CLA 420)

Qualification Undergraduate



Module credits	10.00
Prerequisites	IP and IT Law module
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Private Law
Period of presentation	Semester 2

Module content

The topics covered include:

- The historical development of the law of competition.
- The rights affected by unlawful competition.
- The basis for action against unlawful competition under the common law.
- The development of statutory competition law.
- The Competition Act 89 of 1998.
- The administrative framework of the Competition Act.
- Practices and transactions prohibited or regulated by the Competition Act.
- The different enforcement and administrative mechanisms and procedures available under the Competition Act.

Civil litigation 801 (CLG 801)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Module credits	30.00
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Procedural Law
Period of presentation	Semester 1 or Semester 2

Module content

The module comprises a capita selecta from contemporary issues relating to civil litigation. Aspects dealt with include the following:

- Theoretical foundations of the law of civil procedure
- Class actions
- Application procedure
- Security for costs
- Provisional sentence and summary judgment
- Impact of the Constitution of 1996 on civil procedural law
- Aspects of preparation for trial
- Special interdicts



Collective labour law 802 (CLL 802)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Module credits	30.00
Programmes	LLM Labour Law (Coursework)
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Mercantile Law
Period of presentation	Semester 1 or Semester 2

Module content

This module covers the following aspects:

- (a) International perspectives and the South African Constitution
- (b) Freedom of association and the duty to collective bargaining
- (c) Strikes and lockouts
- (d) Private and compulsory dispute resolution
- (e) Unfair discrimination and affirmative action

Law and the community 420 (CLW 420)

Qualification	Undergraduate
Module credits	10.00
Programmes	LLB
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	10 hours community engagement, 2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Jurisprudence
Period of presentation	Semester 2



Module content

*For LLB

The module has both a theoretical and a community engagement component.

THEORETICAL

- (a) Different notions of community
- (b) The impact of law on the everyday lives of people and communities
- (c) The influence of law and society / sociology of law / Streetlaw
- (d) The South African context

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

- (a) involvement in local community projects
- (b) presentation of seminars with legal themes at schools, factories, prisons and other local communities
- (c) drafting of information booklets and conducting research on topics of law for local community bodies.

An analysis of the South African Constitution and human rights 801 (CMR 801)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Module credits	30.00
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Public Law
Period of presentation	Semester 2

Module content

This module deals with an analysis of the basic issues of the South African human rights dispensation. It places the greatest emphasis on the procedure and the structure of Bill of Rights analysis. The module also covers development regarding certain core rights of the South African Constitution such as equality, dignity and expression.

Construction and engineering law 420 (CNL 420)

Qualification	Undergraduate
Module credits	10.00
Programmes	LLB
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Mercantile Law



Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

*For LLB

The topics covered include:

- a. General principles of the construction contract
- b. National and international pro forma industry contracts
- c. Specific remedies for breach of contract
- d. Dispute resolution

Constitutional law 801 (CSL 801)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 30.00

Programmes [LLM Constitutional and Administrative Law \(Coursework\)](#)

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Public Law

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

- (a) Revisiting the concept of constitutional supremacy and its interaction with popular sovereignty
- (b) Constitutional dynamics – (tacit) constitutional change in ways not constitutionally authorised
- (c) A critical reassessment of separation of powers, judicial independence and impartiality and the impact of judicial review in the contemporary state
- (d) Consideration of legality and constitutionality in view of relevant South African case law
- (e) The foundation of the state, effectiveness and legitimacy particularly in the face of rampant violent crime
- (f) Co-operative government in South African constitutional practice
- (g) Constitutional values with specific reference to democracy in the South African constitution
- (h) The legal claims of communities in contemporary constitutional law
- (i) New trends in South African constitutional jurisprudence and the local and international scholarly discourse

Individual and corporate taxation 802 (CTI 802)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 30.00

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Mercantile Law

Period of presentation Semester 2



Module content

- (a) Fringe benefits
- (b) PAYE
- (c) Labour brokers and personal service companies
- (d) Donations tax
- (e) Estate duty
- (f) Capital Gains Tax
- (g) Dividends and STC
- (h) General deductibility of interest
- (i) Structured finance transactions
- (j) Alternative funding transactions and derivatives
- (k) Special rules on companies
- (l) Small business entities
- (m) Special taxpayers

Democratisation in Africa 801 (DIA 801)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 15.00

Programmes [LLM Human Rights and Democratisation in Africa \(Coursework\)](#)
[MPhil Human Rights and Democratisation in Africa \(Coursework\)](#)

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Centre for Human Rights

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

This module examines the nature of the state and problems associated with state-building and constitutional change in Africa; provides an introduction to constitutional concepts such as the separation of powers, federalism and decentralisation, and their application to Africa; and examines the causes of and remedies for conflict in Africa.

Aspects of divorce law 801 (DLA 801)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 30.00

Programmes [LLM Private Law \(Coursework\)](#)

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Private Law



Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

This module deals with legal aspects relevant at the time of divorce, including:

- (a) Grounds for divorce – the focus will especially fall on the creation of a single ground for divorce.
- (b) Redistribution orders
- (c) Forfeiture of benefits orders
- (d) Maintenance agreements
- (e) Rule 43-applications
- (f) Children and divorce – especially after the enactment of the Children’s Act 38 of 2005

Law of delict 320 (DLR 320)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 15.00

Programmes BA Law
BCom Law
LLB

Service modules Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 4 lectures per week

Language of tuition Separate classes for Afrikaans and English

Department Private Law

Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

*For LLB and BA/BCom specialising in law

- (a) General principles of the law of delict
- (b) Capita selecta from the principles applicable to specific delicts

Thesis: Law 990 (DPI 990)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 360.00

Programmes PhD

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Law Deans Office

Period of presentation Year

Principles of international human rights law 801 (DRL 801)

Qualification Postgraduate



Module credits	10.00
Programmes	LLM Disability Rights (Coursework)
Prerequisites	No prerequisites
Contact time	15 contact hours
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Centre for Human Rights
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Module content

The module focuses on core concepts and approaches informing international human rights law. The topics covered include:

- Rationale for international human rights law
- Sources of international human rights law
- Human rights norms and institutions at global (UN), regional (AU), and sub-regional levels
- Relationship between international human rights law, general international law and international criminal law
- Relationship between international and national human rights law; domestic implementation and subsidiarity

Principles of social science 802 (DRL 802)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Module credits	5.00
Programmes	LLM Disability Rights (Coursework)
Prerequisites	No prerequisites
Contact time	15 contact hours
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Centre for Human Rights
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Module content

The module focuses on core concepts in selected social science disciplines and in social science research. The topics covered include:

- Basic constructs of selected social science disciplines, including sociology, anthropology, pedagogy, and political economy
- Qualitative and quantitative research methods

Protection of persons with disabilities in a global context 803 (DRL 803)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Module credits	25.00
Programmes	LLM Disability Rights (Coursework)



Prerequisites	No prerequisites
Contact time	30 contact hours per semester
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Centre for Human Rights
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Module content

The module focuses on principles and processes of international human rights law at the global level relevant to persons with disabilities. The topics covered include:

- Relevant international human rights law principles, concepts and current issues relevant to persons with disabilities
- Disability as a social construct and basic concepts of disability rights
- Historical trajectory of the protection of the rights of persons with disabilities at the global level
- Relevance of sources of international law to disability rights
- Development of soft law and treaty law for the protection of the rights of persons with disabilities prior to the CRPD
- Substantive and procedural protection of the rights of persons with disabilities under the CRPD and its Optional Protocol
- Monitoring requirements under the CRPD
- Selected United Nation jurisprudence on disability rights

African regional disability rights protection 804 (DRL 804)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Module credits	25.00
Programmes	LLM Disability Rights (Coursework)
Prerequisites	No prerequisites
Contact time	30 contact hours per semester
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Centre for Human Rights
Period of presentation	Semester 1



Module content

The focus of this module is to examine the protection of disability rights under African regional and national law. The topics covered include:

- Historical background on the protection of disability rights in Africa
- Regional and sub-regional protection of disability rights in the African human rights system
- Historical background and the efficacy of an African Protocol to the African Charter on Human and Peoples' rights on the rights of persons with disabilities
- South African legislation, policies and jurisprudence relevant to persons with disabilities, in comparison to other selected African states
- Legal reform to promote and protect the rights of persons with disabilities in an African context
- Media studies perspective to disability rights in Africa - evaluating the role of media in the promotion of the rights of persons with disabilities

Contemporary challenges in disability law, policy and practice in Africa 805 (DRL 805)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 25.00

Programmes [LLM Disability Rights \(Coursework\)](#)
[MPhil Disability Rights \(Coursework\)](#)

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 30 contact hours per semester

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Centre for Human Rights

Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

In this module a multidisciplinary approach is adopted to disability law, policy and practice. The focus is on contemporary challenges in disability law, policy and practice in an African context and selected topics may include:

- Contemporary challenges in disability law, policy and practice in Africa
- Anthropology of disability in an African context
- Disability and intersectionality in an African context, exploring multiple identities and cumulative discrimination
- Disability and social change in an African context
- Disability rights in practice: legal capacity, supported decision-making and independent living in an African context
- Disability and development in Africa: Inclusive development and the sustainable development goals
- Disability and social policy
- Inclusive education law, policy and practice
- Mental health law, policy and practice
- Advocacy and access to justice in Africa



Third party compensation law 420 (DVR 420)

Qualification	Undergraduate
Module credits	10.00
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Separate classes for Afrikaans and English
Department	Mercantile Law
Period of presentation	Semester 2

Module content

*For LLB

- (a) Basis of and requirements for liability in cases where owner and/or driver is identified
- (b) Requirements for liability in hit-and-run claims
- (c) Exclusion of liability of the Road Accident Fund
- (d) Assessment of damage
- (e) Astringencies of recoverable damage
- (f) Prescription
- (g) Claims handling
- (h) Recourse of the Road Accident Fund

Recognised and alternative life-partnerships 802 (EAL 802)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Module credits	30.00
Programmes	LLM Family Law (Coursework)
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Private Law
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Module content

- (a) Civil unions
- (b) Customary marriages
- (c) Religious marriages
- (d) Other/alternative life partnerships

Extractive industry law 420 (EIL 420)

Qualification	Undergraduate
Module credits	10.00



Programmes	LLB
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Public Law
Period of presentation	Semester 2

Module content

*For LLB

This module offers an introduction to various legal aspects related to the contemporary exploitation of mineral resources. A capta selecta of topics include different legal issues in mine development and production; associated environmental and social challenges; mineral resource governance, and the interplay between the UN Sustainable Development Goals and the mining sector.

Rights to and regulation of natural resources 801 (EIL 801)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Module credits	30.00
Programmes	LLM Extractive Industry Law in Africa (Coursework) MPhil Extractive Industry Policy, Management and Regulation (Coursework)
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Public Law
Period of presentation	Semester 1



Module content

The objective of this module is to equip students with a thorough understanding of the legal and policy aspects of natural resources and the regulation of natural resources and industries to extract natural resources. Topics include: (a) Industry background such as the extractive industry value chain and the role of extractive industries in national, regional and global economies, basic extractive industry business and project feasibility metrics, typical national public policy priorities, the differences between the mining and oil and gas industries, gas industry specifics, the various downstream industries (smelters, refineries and petrochemical and energy industries and policy issues pertaining to renewable energy and unconventional extraction methods such as hydraulic fracturing ("fracking")); (b) Natural resource and extractive industry policy concepts and regulatory options; (c) Ownership of mineral rights dispensations (state versus private ownership of mineral rights), the legal position of the owner of the land and the owner of the products of extraction; (d) The advantages and disadvantages of the main granting methodologies applied by host governments including concessions, production sharing agreements, participation agreements, services agreements and hybrid methods; (e) Typical conditions to obtain, renew or transfer exploration or extraction rights and the veracity of the public policy basis of such requirements; (f) Agreements and transactions to transfer rights to prospect and/or to extract; (g) Constitutional and administrative law aspects of relevance in dealing with extractive industry legislation and regulation including the legality of administrative processes governed by an Act such as the MPRD Act and related regulation, the right of third parties to be heard in applications by resource companies under the MPRD Act and the constitutionality of the conversion of "old order mineral rights" to "new order mineral rights".

Sustainability aspects of extractive industries 802 (EIL 802)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 30.00

Programmes [LLM Extractive Industry Law in Africa \(Coursework\)](#)
[MPhil Extractive Industry Policy, Management and Regulation \(Coursework\)](#)

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Public Law

Period of presentation Semester 1 or Semester 2



Module content

The objective of this module is to equip students with a thorough understanding of the sustainability aspects of extractive industries. Topics include: (a) A general introduction to sustainability, sustainable development, corporate social responsibility, good governance as it pertains to governments and good corporate governance; (b) International, regional and national instruments related to sustainability aspects of extractive industries such as the protection of human rights, forced labour, inappropriate security practices, "conflict minerals" and "blood diamonds" (including the Kimberley Process Certification Scheme and the US Dodd-Frank Act and SEC disclosure requirements); the Extractive Industry Transparency Initiative (EITI) and the UN Global Compact; [US Dodd-Frank Act; (c) Safety, health and environmental (SHE) aspects of extractive industries including emerging issues such as climate change and personal criminal liability of directors and officers for SHE contraventions; (d) Corporate governance and company law developments of relevance to sustainability including the King 3 Code and similar Codes internationally, Responsible Investment Codes, the role of Social and Ethics Committees as required by the Companies Act 2008, sustainability indexes of the stock exchanges such as the JSE SRI Index and the Dow Jones Sustainability Index, public reporting on sustainability and international reporting guidelines such as the Global Reporting Initiative

The South Africa Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act 803 (EIL 803)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 30.00

Programmes [LLM Extractive Industry Law in Africa \(Coursework\)](#)
[MPhil Extractive Industry Policy, Management and Regulation \(Coursework\)](#)

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Public Law

Period of presentation Semester 1 or Semester 2

Module content

The objective of this module is to equip students with a thorough understanding of conceptual and practical aspects of the South African Mineral and Resources Development Act and related jurisprudence.

International law aspects of extractive industries 804 (EIL 804)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 30.00

Programmes [LLM Extractive Industry Law in Africa \(Coursework\)](#)

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Public Law

Period of presentation Semester 1 or Semester 2



Module content

The objective of this module is to equip students with a thorough understanding of the international law aspects of extractive industries. Topics include: (a) Sovereignty in respect of legal regimes and laws governing extractive industries including the act of state doctrine, the doctrine of sovereign immunity and waivers of immunity and compensation for expropriation; (b) An overview of the most relevant treaties and conventions of relevance to extractive industries including the Convention on the Continental Shelf, the OILPOL convention, the UN Convention on Contracts for the International Sale of Goods, the UN Conventions of the Law of the Sea, the New York Convention, the Convention on the Settlement on Investment Disputes between States and Nationals of Other States, the Energy Charter Treaty to protect international energy investment and trade; international environmental law treaties and conventions and the Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights. (c) Relevant aspects pertaining to the World Trade Organisation including extractive industry subsidies, environmental labelling and confiscatory taxation; (d) Direct and indirect forms of resource nationalisation and investment treaties to protect natural resource investors; (e) The legal status of offshore petroleum and mining installations and vessels including production platforms, floating production, storage and offloading (FPSOs) vessels and subsea pipelines as well as state jurisdiction in respect of such installations. (f) International dispute resolution mechanisms including enforcement of arbitration awards.

Civil law liability for extractive industry activities 805 (EIL 805)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Module credits	30.00
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Public Law
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Module content

The objective of this module is to equip students with a thorough understanding of the legal and policy concepts shaping civil liability for activities pertaining to extractive industries. Topics include: (a) The general principles of the law of delict and specific areas of civil liability risk for extractive industries including general international civil liability trends, class actions, "piercing the corporate veil", civil liability for SHE incidents and for competition law contraventions; (b) Principles of product liability; (c) Evolving climate change civil liability concepts; (d) Civil liability dimensions of unconventional extraction methods such as hydraulic fracturing and coal bed methane extraction.

Socio-economic development and management of non-renewable natural resources 812 (EIL 812)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Module credits	30.00
Programmes	MPhil Extractive Industry Policy, Management and Regulation (Coursework)
Contact time	30 contact hours per semester
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English



Department Public Law

Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

The aim of this module is to equip students, without a formal legal background, a thorough understanding of the various socio-economic aspects and challenges related to the sustainable development and management of mineral and hydrocarbon resources. The topics covered include:

- Historical, philosophical and foundational aspects of non-renewable natural resource development and regulation, with particular reference to development in an African context.
- Basic concepts relating to the sustainable use and development of mineral, oil and gas resources, in general, and with specific reference to sustainable development, economic viability of resource deposits, project operationalisation requirements, good governance in private and public sectors, regulatory burden and policy development.
- The specific interface between responsible resource development and foreign direct investment.

English 110 (ENG 110)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 12.00

Programmes

[BA](#)
[BA Extended programme](#)
[BA Fine Arts](#)
[BA Languages](#)
[BA Law](#)
[BAdmin Public Management and International Relations](#)
[BCom Law](#)
[BDiv](#)
[BEd Foundation Phase Teaching](#)
[BEd Intermediate Phase Teaching](#)
[BEd Senior Phase and Further Education and Training Teaching](#)
[BIS Information Science](#)
[BIS Publishing](#)
[BPolSci International Studies](#)
[BPolSci Political Studies](#)
[BTh](#)
[LLB](#)

Service modules

Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology
Faculty of Education
Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences
Faculty of Law
Faculty of Health Sciences

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 1 discussion class per week, 2 lectures per week, 2 web-based periods per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department English



Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

*Alternative evening classes - 2 discussion classes per week Introduction to Literature in English (1) This module introduces the study of literature by examining a number of texts representing different genres (poetry, prose, drama). The texts studied here will be mainly from the pre-twentieth century era and may include texts written in English from both Africa and other parts of the world. The aim of this module is to equip students with the critical and analytical skills required for a perceptive reading of poetry, novels and plays.

English for specific purposes 118 (ENG 118)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 12.00

Programmes
BA
BA Extended programme
BA Languages
BAdmin Public Management and International Relations
BCom Law
BIS Publishing
BSW
LLB

Service modules
Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology
Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences
Faculty of Law

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department English

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

This module is intended to equip students with a thorough knowledge of English grammar and is particularly useful for those interested in a career in teaching, editing, document design or other forms of language practice.

English 120 (ENG 120)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 12.00



Programmes	BA BA Extended programme BA Fine Arts BA Languages BA Law BAdmin Public Management and International Relations BCom Law BDiv BEd Foundation Phase Teaching BEd Intermediate Phase Teaching BEd Senior Phase and Further Education and Training Teaching BIS Information Science BIS Publishing BPolSci International Studies BPolSci Political Studies BTh LLB
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Service modules	Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology Faculty of Education Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences Faculty of Law Faculty of Health Sciences
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Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 1 discussion class per week, 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department English

Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

*Alternative evening classes: 2 discussion classes per week

Introduction to Literature in English (2)

This module introduces the study of post-nineteenth century literature by examining a number of texts representing different genres (poetry, drama, prose). Texts will be from both Africa and other parts of the world. By the end of this module students should have the background and analytical skills to perceptively read modern and contemporary poetry, novels and plays.

Environmental law 802 (ENL 802)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 30.00

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Public Law

Period of presentation Semester 2



Module content

This module involves advanced study of the following: (a) Key concepts and principles of environmental law in the context of a South African constitutional dispensation Nature and scope of environmental law (b) South African environmental framework legislation and policy concerned with environmental governance, compliance and enforcement, including in relation to integrated environmental management and environmental impact assessments, the protection of marine and terrestrial biodiversity, waste management, pollution control, mining and energy, water management, land use and planning and climate change

Strategic environmental management 822 (ENS 822)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 15.00

Programmes MA Environment and Society (Coursework)
MPhil Environmental Law (Coursework)
MSc Environment and Society (Coursework)
MSc Environmental Ecology (Coursework)
MSc Environmental Management (Coursework)
MSc Forest Management and the Environment (Coursework)
MSc Water Resource Management (Coursework)

Service modules Faculty of Law

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 discussion classes per week, 5 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Geography Geoinformatics and Meteorology

Period of presentation Year

Module content

Strategic environmental planning: introduction, objectives and principles; levels; South African overview; guidelines: national and international; strategy and management; structure, strategy and agency; South African guidelines; diagnostic tools; RESP analysis; strategic resource planning; applications, implementation and control; development and policy implementation; South African environmental policy; evaluation frameworks; portfolio analysis; competitive forces; alliances; business benefits; intangibles, survival and catalytic contributions; South African legislation and regulations.

Environmental law 816 (ENV 816)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 15.00



Programmes	MA Environment and Society (Coursework) MPhil Environmental Law (Coursework) MSc Air Quality Management (Coursework) MSc Environment and Society (Coursework) MSc Environmental Ecology (Coursework) MSc Environmental Education (Coursework) MSc Environmental Management (Coursework) MSc Forest Management and the Environment (Coursework) MSc Water Resource Management (Coursework)
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Service modules Faculty of Law

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 1 lecture per week, 1 web-based period per week, 2 practicals per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Geography Geoinformatics and Meteorology

Period of presentation Semester 1 or Semester 2

Module content

Legislation for sustainable development within the framework of international agreements, the different acts affecting water quality and water use, the SEMAs within the NEMA framework, the NEMA EIA regulations, legislation pertaining to hazardous substances, interaction between mining development and NEMA, energy law, strategic environmental legislation, marine and coastal management.

Law of succession 222 (ERF 222)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 15.00

Programmes BA Law
BCom Law
LLB

Service modules Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences
Faculty of Humanities

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 1 tutorial per week, 4 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Private Law

Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

*For LLB and BA/BCom specialising in Law

- a. Intestate succession
- b. Testate succession
- c. Administration of estates



Philosophy 110 (FIL 110)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 12.00

Programmes BA
BA Extended programme
BA Fine Arts
BA Languages
BA Law
BA Visual Studies
BPolSci International Studies
BPolSci Political Studies
BSocSci Industrial Sociology and Labour Studies
BSocSci Philosophy, Politics and Economics
LLB

Service modules Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology
Faculty of Law

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 1 discussion class per week, 3 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Philosophy

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

Introduction to Philosophy

The two semester modules at first-year level introduce students to four main subfields of philosophy, namely metaphysics, epistemology, ontology and ethics. This module introduces students to two of these subfields, namely epistemology and metaphysics with reference to the work of a range of scholars from the Global South and the West. Students will become acquainted with the nature of philosophical reflection by exploring a number of classical philosophical themes in each subfield. Throughout the module there is an emphasis on developing those critical thinking, reading and writing skills that are required in Philosophy, while students become acquainted with the power of critique as critical judgment and discernment.

Philosophy 120 (FIL 120)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 12.00



Programmes	BA BA Extended programme BA Fine Arts BA Languages BA Law BA Visual Studies BPolSci International Studies BPolSci Political Studies BSocSci Industrial Sociology and Labour Studies BSocSci Philosophy, Politics and Economics LLB
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Service modules	Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology Faculty of Law
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Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
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Contact time	1 discussion class per week, 3 lectures per week
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Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
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Department	Philosophy
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Period of presentation	Semester 2
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Module content

Introduction to Philosophy

The two semester modules at first-year level introduce students to four main subfields of philosophy, namely metaphysics, epistemology, ontology and ethics. This module introduces students to two of these subfields, namely ontology and ethics and the emphasis is on texts by African and Western scholars. Students will become acquainted with the nature of philosophical reflection by exploring a number of classical philosophical themes in each subfield. Throughout the module there is an emphasis on developing those critical thinking, reading and writing skills that are required in Philosophy, while students become acquainted with the power of critique as critical judgment and discernment.

Family law 121 (FMR 121)

Qualification	Undergraduate
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Module credits	15.00
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Programmes	BA Law LLB
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Service modules	Faculty of Humanities
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Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
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Contact time	1 tutorial per week, 4 lectures per week
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Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
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Department	Private Law
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Period of presentation	Semester 2
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Module content

*For LLB and BA/BCom specialising in law

- (a) Introduction to family law
 - (b) General principles regarding the coming into existence of a marriage
 - (c) Void, voidable and putative marriages
 - (d) The invariable consequences of the marriage
 - (e) Basic principles regarding the legal relationship between child and parent
 - (f) The variable consequences of a marriage
 - (g) Principles regarding the dissolution of a marriage
 - (h) The consequences of the dissolution of a marriage
- Law of Parent and Child;
- (a) Variable consequences of marriage;
 - (b) Dissolution of marriage;
 - (c) Consequences of the dissolution of marriage;
 - (d) Customary marriages; and
 - (e) Domestic partnerships and religious marriages.

Financial accounting 111 (FRK 111)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 10.00

BCom
BCom Agribusiness Management
BCom Business Management
BCom Econometrics
BCom Economics
BCom Financial Sciences
BCom Human Resource Management
BCom Informatics Information Systems
BCom Investment Management
BCom Law
BCom Marketing Management
BCom Statistics
BCom Statistics and Data Science
BCom Supply Chain Management
BConSci Clothing Retail Management
BConSci Food Retail Management
BConSci Hospitality Management
BEd Senior Phase and Further Education and Training Teaching
BIT Information Systems
BSc Applied Mathematics
BSc Extended programme - Biological and Agricultural Sciences
BSc Extended programme - Mathematical Sciences
BSc Mathematics
BScAgric Agricultural Economics and Agribusiness Management
LLB

Programmes



Service modules	Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology Faculty of Education Faculty of Law Faculty of Natural and Agricultural Sciences
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	4 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Accounting
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Module content

The nature and function of accounting; the development of accounting; financial position; financial result; the recording process; processing of accounting data; treatment of VAT; elementary income statement and balance sheet; flow of documents; accounting systems; introduction to internal control and internal control measures; bank reconciliations; control accounts; adjustments; financial statements of a sole proprietorship; the accounting framework.

Financial accounting 122 (FRK 122)

Qualification	Undergraduate
Module credits	12.00

Programmes	BCom BCom Agribusiness Management BCom Business Management BCom Econometrics BCom Economics BCom Human Resource Management BCom Informatics Information Systems BCom Law BCom Marketing Management BCom Statistics BCom Statistics and Data Science BCom Supply Chain Management BConSci Clothing Retail Management BConSci Food Retail Management BConSci Hospitality Management BIT Information Systems BSc Information and Knowledge Systems LLB
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Service modules	Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology Faculty of Law Faculty of Natural and Agricultural Sciences
Prerequisites	FRK 111 GS or FRK 133, FRK 143
Contact time	4 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English



Department Accounting

Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

Budgeting, payroll accounting, taxation – income tax and an introduction to other types of taxes, credit and the new Credit Act, insurance, accounting for inventories (focus on inventory and the accounting entries, not calculations), interpretation of financial statements.

History 110 (GES 110)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 12.00

Programmes

BA
BA Extended programme
BA Languages
BA Law
BA Visual Studies
BEd Intermediate Phase Teaching
BEd Senior Phase and Further Education and Training Teaching
BPolSci International Studies
BPolSci Political Studies
BSocSci Heritage and Cultural Tourism
BSocSci Industrial Sociology and Labour Studies
LLB

Service modules

Faculty of Education
Faculty of Law
Faculty of Health Sciences

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Historical and Heritage Studies

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

The making of the Modern World: a survey
A selection of themes on Asia, Africa, the Americas and Europe and their contribution to the making of the Modern World.

History 120 (GES 120)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 12.00



Programmes	BA BA Extended programme BA Languages BA Law BA Visual Studies BEd Intermediate Phase Teaching BEd Senior Phase and Further Education and Training Teaching BPolSci International Studies BPolSci Political Studies BSocSci Heritage and Cultural Tourism BSocSci Industrial Sociology and Labour Studies LLB
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Service modules	Faculty of Education Faculty of Law Faculty of Health Sciences
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Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
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Contact time	2 lectures per week
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Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
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Department	Historical and Heritage Studies
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Period of presentation	Semester 2
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Module content

Africa and South Africa: a survey

An overview focusing on the making of African and South African societies from the earliest times to the present with emphasis on the most significant historical forces, factors and events.

Land and land reform law 420 (GHR 420)

Qualification	Undergraduate
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Module credits	10.00
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Programmes	LLB
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Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
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Contact time	2 lectures per week
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Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
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Department	Private Law
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Period of presentation	Semester 2
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Module content

*For LLB

(a) Introduction to the land and land reform law

(b) Capita selecta of policy documentation, constitutional and other statutory measures in respect of the use of land and land reform law

(c) Relevant aspects of conveyancing law



Advanced international trade law 802 (GIH 802)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Module credits	30.00
Programmes	LLM International Trade and Investment Law in Africa (Coursework)
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Centre for Human Rights
Period of presentation	Semester 1 or Semester 2

Module content

- (a) Regulation of international trade - the WTO
- (b) Intellectual property law and transfer of technology
- (c) Trade, environment, human rights and labour
- (d) Agriculture
- (e) Services
- (f) Trade facilitation
- (g) Regionalism
- (h) Industrial products (NAMA)
- (i) Dispute resolution
- (j) Trade remedies
- (k) Trade negotiations

Constitutional and international law pertaining to children 801 (GIK 801)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Module credits	30.00
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Private Law
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Module content

- Capita selecta from the following:
- (a) Constitutional protection of children's rights
 - (b) International law pertaining to children
 - (c) African instruments on the protection of children

Capita selecta of the general principles of the law of contract 801 (GPC 801)

Qualification	Postgraduate
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Module credits	30.00
Programmes	LLM Law of Contract (Coursework)
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Private Law
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Module content

- (a) Overview of the conclusion of contracts.
- (b) Consensus and factors that influence consensus
- (c) Time and place of conclusion of contracts
- (d) Effect of the constitution on contracts
- (e) Overview of breach of contract and remedies
- (f) Cancellation as remedy for breach of contract
- (g) Damages

Interpretation of contracts 802 (GPC 802)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Module credits	30.00
Programmes	LLM Law of Contract (Coursework)
Prerequisites	GPC 801
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Private Law
Period of presentation	Semester 2

Module content

The topics covered include:

- (a) The nature of legal interpretation
- (b) The relationship between the interpretation of contracts and other legal instruments
- (c) Evidence that is admissible and evidence that is inadmissible in the interpretation of contracts.
- (d) Analysing the various terms that constitute a contract.
- (e) Rectification
- (f) Presumptions and rules of interpretation

Advanced drafting theory 803 (GPC 803)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Module credits	30.00
Prerequisites	GPC 802



Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Private Law

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

The topics in this module include the following:

- (a) Advanced drafting theory
- (b) Systemic context: substantive dimension; interpretational dimension; constitutional dimension
- (c) Contractual Instruments
- (d) Functional context: structural dimension; semantic dimension
- (e) Legislative plain language imperatives

Medical law 410 (GRG 410)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 10.00

Programmes LLB

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Public Law

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

*For LLB

- (a) General foundations of forensic medicine
- (b) Legal basis of the relationship between doctor/hospital and patient
- (c) Grounds of justification for medical interventions
- (d) Medical negligence and vicarious liability
- (e) The patient's privacy and medical confidentiality
- (f) Artificial human procreation
- (g) Liability for wrongful conception/birth/life
- (h) Transsexualism and sex-change operations
- (i) The moment of death and euthanasia
- (j) Aspects of the medical disciplinary hearings

Advanced international investment and business law 802 (GTB 802)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 30.00

Programmes LLM International Trade and Investment Law in Africa (Coursework)

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week



Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Centre for Human Rights

Period of presentation Semester 1 or Semester 2

Module content

- (a) Introduction to international law and regional law: theory and source
- (b) Economics literacy and basic business management skills
- (c) International financial institutions and loan transactions
- (d) Investment and trade in Africa: bilateral and multilateral perspectives
- (e) European Union law
- (f) Financial services and securities regulation
- (g) International business transactions
- (h) Investment and procurement

History and philosophy of human rights 801 (HPH 801)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 30.00

Programmes
[LLM Multidisciplinary Human Rights \(Coursework\)](#)
[MPhil Law and Political Justice \(Coursework\)](#)
[MPhil Multidisciplinary Human Rights \(Coursework\)](#)

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Jurisprudence

Period of presentation Semester 1 or Semester 2

Module content

- (a) Historical and philosophical perspectives on rights
- (b) Critical perspectives on rights
- (c) Legal philosophical and political notions of justice
- (d) Applications within the South African context

Human rights in Africa 801 (HRA 801)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 15.00

Programmes
[LLM Human Rights and Democratisation in Africa \(Coursework\)](#)
[MPhil Human Rights and Democratisation in Africa \(Coursework\)](#)

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English



Department Centre for Human Rights

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

This module provides an overview of the human rights norms, institutions and processes of the African Union, with a focus on the African Charter on Human and Peoples' Rights.

International human rights law relevant to sexual and reproductive rights in Africa 802 (HRA 802)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 15.00

Programmes [LLM Sexual and Reproductive Rights in Africa \(Coursework\)](#)
[MPhil Sexual and Reproductive Rights in Africa \(Coursework\)](#)

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 30 contact hours per semester

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Centre for Human Rights

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

The focus of this module is on the principles and processes of international human rights law at the global and regional level, and their relevance to issues of reproductive and sexual health and to the situation of sexual minorities, with specific reference to Africa.

Topics include:

- (a) History, philosophy and ideology of human rights, with particular reference to Africa
- (b) Basic concepts of international and national human rights law
- (c) The global (UN) system of human rights protection: norms, institutions, procedures, and their relevance to reproductive and sexual rights
- (d) The African (African Union) system of human rights protection: norms, institutions, procedures, and their relevance to reproductive and sexual rights (placed in comparative perspective, with reference to European and inter-American systems)
- (e) The actual and potential role of regional economic communities regional level) in Africa in the protection of human rights in Africa, with specific reference to reproductive and sexual rights
- (f) An overview of human rights protection at the domestic level, with specific reference to selected African states
- (g) Understanding the role of international human rights mechanisms in the protection of sexual minorities.

Applying human rights principles to realise sexual and reproductive health rights claims 803 (HRA 803)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 15.00



Programmes	LLM Sexual and Reproductive Rights in Africa (Coursework) MPhil Sexual and Reproductive Rights in Africa (Coursework)
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	30 contact hours per semester
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Centre for Human Rights
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Module content

The focus of this module is on the application of human rights principles to reproductive and sexual health with a view to realising claims on these rights at domestic, regional and global levels.

Topics include:

- (a) Applying human rights to sexual and reproductive health, including the rights to equality, life, human dignity, freedom from inhuman and degrading treatment, health, information, education, reproductive self-determination, maternity protection in employment, liberty and security of the person, and privacy.
- (b) Developing a sexual and reproductive rights claim through identifying the reproductive health wrong, its causes and the wrongdoer; documenting the alleged wrongs; determining which laws are implicated, identifying human rights standards for determining breach of a reproductive right.
- (c) Advancing a sexual and reproductive rights claim at the domestic level with reference to realising reproductive rights through regulatory and disciplinary procedures, courts of law, alternative dispute resolution, domestic human rights institutions, and ombudspersons.
- (d) Advancing a sexual and reproductive rights claim at the regional and sub-regional levels with reference to realising reproductive rights through African regional and sub-regional institutions.
- (e) Advancing a sexual and reproductive rights claim at the global level with particular reference to realising reproductive rights through United Nations treaty monitoring bodies.
- (f) Drawing lessons from comparable regional human rights systems with particular reference to the European and Inter-American regional human rights systems.

Applying human rights principles to selected reproductive health issues in Africa 804 (HRA 804)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Module credits	15.00
Programmes	LLM Sexual and Reproductive Rights in Africa (Coursework) MPhil Sexual and Reproductive Rights in Africa (Coursework)
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.



Contact time	30 contact hours per semester
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Centre for Human Rights
Period of presentation	Semester 2

Module content

The focus of this module is on the application of human rights principles to discrete reproductive health issues with a view to developing human rights responses to contemporary reproductive health challenges in the African region.

Topics include:

- (a) Contraception
- (b) Domestic violence
- (c) Female genital cutting
- (d) Infertility and medical-assisted reproduction
- (e) Maternal death
- (f) Sexual violence in times of conflict
- (g) Sexuality and reproductive health education
- (h) Trafficking in women and children
- (i) Unsafe abortion

Applying human rights principles to selected sexual rights and sexuality issues in Africa 805 (HRA 805)

Qualification	Postgraduate
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Module credits	15.00
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Programmes	LLM Sexual and Reproductive Rights in Africa (Coursework) MPhil Sexual and Reproductive Rights in Africa (Coursework)
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Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
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Contact time	30 contact hours per semester
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Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
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Department	Centre for Human Rights
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Period of presentation	Semester 1
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Module content

The focus of this module is on the application of human rights principles to selected issues related to sexual and sexuality issues in Africa, with a view to developing human rights responses to related contemporary challenges in the African region.

Topics include:

- (a) Overview of relevant concepts
- (b) The foundation of sexual rights in international human rights instruments
- (c) Sexual norms and gender stereotypes
- (d) Sex work and human rights
- (e) Sexual coercion and abuse
- (f) Sexually transmitted infections including HIV and rights relating to information and prevention
- (g) The right to comprehensive sexual education
- (h) Harmful traditional practices that violate sexual rights
- (i) Link between sexual rights and reproductive health rights
- (j) Advocacy strategies for sexual rights

Applying human rights principles to selected rights of sexual minorities in Africa 806 (HRA 806)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 15.00

Programmes [LLM Sexual and Reproductive Rights in Africa \(Coursework\)](#)
[MPhil Sexual and Reproductive Rights in Africa \(Coursework\)](#)

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 30 contact hours per semester

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Centre for Human Rights

Period of presentation Semester 1



Module content

The focus of this module is on the application of human rights principles to selected issues affecting sexual minorities in Africa, with a view to developing human rights responses to related contemporary challenges in the African region.

Topics include:

- (a) Providing a critical understanding of the concepts 'sexual orientation' and 'gender identity', 'homosexual', 'bisexual', 'gay', 'lesbian', 'transgender', 'intersex', 'sexual minority', 'heterosexism', and 'queer'
- (b) Understanding theories on the psychology, biology and sociobiology of homosexuality
- (c) Investigating the global history of homosexuality, particularly in the 'West' (USA and Britain) and its influence on Africa
- (d) Investigating the evolution of homosexuality and society in Africa, including an anthropological review of homosexuality in traditional African societies, and under colonialism and in post-colonial Africa
- (e) Understanding the nature of the violation of rights of 'sexual minorities' (including violations to the rights to health; discrimination based on actual or presumed sexual orientation, gender identity and HIV status; sexual and other forms of violence; violations of the right to privacy; stigmatisation and its consequences) particularly by states and non-state actors in Africa
- (f) Understanding the reasons for rights violations and homophobia in Africa by investigating the role of culture/tradition, religion and majoritarianism
- (g) Considering the role of public policy, by focusing on the need and possibilities for legal reform, and strategies to sensitise communities for the rights of sexual minorities and change homophobic attitudes

Research and adv to realise sexual, reprod health and sexual minority rights claims in Africa 807 (HRA 807)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 15.00

Programmes [LLM Sexual and Reproductive Rights in Africa \(Coursework\)](#)
[MPhil Sexual and Reproductive Rights in Africa \(Coursework\)](#)

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 30 contact hours per semester

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Centre for Human Rights

Period of presentation Semester 1



Module content

This module aims to equip students with the skills for advocacy of and to conduct research on sexual and reproductive health issues, with a view to the realisation of these rights and the rights of sexual minorities in Africa.

Topics include:

- (a) Defining human rights violations
- (b) Analysing root causes of human rights violations
- (c) Social sciences research methods
- (d) Investigating facts and gathering evidence
- (e) Conducting interviews
- (f) Strategic thinking including developing strategic partnerships
- (g) Advanced legal reasoning and legal writing
- (h) Strategic impact litigation
- (i) Negotiation and mediation
- (j) Media advocacy
- (k) Engaging government and other stakeholders
- (l) Conducting a practical exercise as simulation of an actual intervention to decrease stigma and increase sensitisation and acceptance of the rights of LGBTI communities in the context of the country in which the students find themselves.

Dissertation: Mercantile law 890 (HRG 890)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Module credits	200.00
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Mercantile Law
Period of presentation	Year

Thesis and oral defence: Mercantile law 990 (HRG 990)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Module credits	400.00
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Mercantile Law
Period of presentation	Year

International and comparative human rights 801 (ICH 801)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Module credits	15.00



Programmes [LLM Human Rights and Democratisation in Africa \(Coursework\)](#)
[MPhil Human Rights and Democratisation in Africa \(Coursework\)](#)

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Centre for Human Rights

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

In this module, introductory human rights concepts are examined; the human rights systems under the United Nations, Council of Europe and the Organisation of American States and some selected national law systems are also analysed.

International criminal law 802 (ICL 802)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 30.00

Programmes [LLM International Law \(Coursework\)](#)

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Public Law

Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

- (a) A general introduction to international criminal law; key concepts and basic definitions of international criminal law and international criminal jurisdiction
- (b) The origin of the International Criminal Court and the implementation of the Statute of the International Criminal Court in South African law
- (c) Participation in international crimes and defences against international criminal liability
- (d) The move from state liability to individual liability in international criminal law
- (e) The crimes of genocide, war crimes and crimes against humanity in international criminal law

Indirect taxation 802 (IDB 802)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 30.00

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Mercantile Law



Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

- (a) VAT
- (b) Stamp duty
- (c) Transfer duty
- (d) SDL
- (e) UIF

Indirect tax 802 (IDT 802)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 30.00

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Mercantile Law

Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

- (a) The basic working of VAT
- (b) Output tax
- (c) Input tax
- (d) Exempt supplies
- (e) Zero-rated supplies
- (f) Adjustments in respect of change of use
- (g) Objection and appeal procedure under the VAT Act

International environmental law 801 (IEL 801)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 30.00

Programmes [LLM International Law \(Coursework\)](#)

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Public Law

Period of presentation Semester 1 or Semester 2



Module content

This module involves advanced study of the following:

- a. Key concepts and principles of international environmental law
- b. Climate change
- c. Biodiversity
- d. Hazardous substances and activities
- e. Responsibility and liability for environmental harm
- f. Oceans and the law of the sea

International elective module (1) 411 (IET 411)

Qualification	Undergraduate
Module credits	10.00
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Law Deans Office
Period of presentation	Semester 1

International elective module (2) 412 (IET 412)

Qualification	Undergraduate
Module credits	10.00
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Law Deans Office
Period of presentation	Semester 1

International elective module (3) 413 (IET 413)

Qualification	Undergraduate
Module credits	10.00
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Law Deans Office
Period of presentation	Semester 1

International elective module (4) 414 (IET 414)

Qualification	Undergraduate
Module credits	10.00
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.



Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Law Deans Office

Period of presentation Semester 1

Intellectual property law 320 (IGZ 320)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 10.00

Programmes [LLB](#)

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Separate classes for Afrikaans and English

Department Private Law

Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

*For LLB

- (a) General principles of intellectual property law
- (b) Copyright
- (c) Law relating to inventions and designs
- (d) Trademark law
- (e) Law relating to plant breeders' rights
- (f) Law of competition

Intellectual property, new technologies and innovation 802 (IGZ 802)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 30.00

Programmes [LLM Intellectual Property Law \(Coursework\)](#)

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Private Law

Period of presentation Semester 1



Module content

The following aspects will be dealt with:

- (a) Patents Act no. 57 of 1978
- (b) Designs Act 195 of 1993.
- (c) Plant Breeders' Rights Act 15 of 1976
- (d) Patent-related international instruments
- (e) New technologies and the law
- (f) Innovation and the law
- (g) Registrability of patents and designs
- (h) Capita selecta including: validity; interpretation of specifications; infringement; amendment or correction; compulsory licences; convention applications and exhaustion of rights.

Intellectual property, branding and advertising 803 (IGZ 803)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 30.00

Programmes [LLM Intellectual Property Law \(Coursework\)](#)

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Private Law

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

The following aspects will be dealt with:

- (a) Trade Marks Act 194 of 1993
- (b) Merchandise Marks Act 17 of 1941
- (c) Counterfeit Goods Act 37 of 1997
- (d) Relationship between registered trade marks and unregistered trade marks
- (e) Branding and trade marks
- (f) Advertising and trade marks
- (g) Compliance with international instruments.
- (h) Trademark-related international instruments
- (i) Compliance with international instruments.
- (j) Capita selecta including: registrability and validity; infringement; amendment or correction
- (k) Civil remedies for the infringement of intellectual property rights
- (l) Criminal remedies for the infringement of intellectual property rights.

Intellectual property, creative industries and expression of ideas 804 (IGZ 804)

Qualification Postgraduate



Module credits	30.00
Programmes	LLM Intellectual Property Law (Coursework)
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Private Law
Period of presentation	Semester 1 or Semester 2

Module content

The following aspects will be dealt with:

- (a) Copyright Act 98 of 1978
- (b) Performers' Protection Act 11 of 1967
- (c) Registration of Copyright in Cinematograph Films Act 62 of 1977
- (d) Creative industries and the law
- (e) Creative expression and the law
- (f) Copyright-related international instruments
- (g) Compliance of South African law with international instruments
- (h) Capita selecta including: subsistence and conferral of copyright; scope of and exceptions to copyright; infringement of copyright

International humanitarian law and human rights in military operations 801 (IHM 801)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Module credits	30.00
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Public Law
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Module content

- (a) The applicability of international human rights law (IHRL) and international humanitarian law (IHL)
- (b) Basic principles of IHRL and IHL
- (c) Interplay, convergence and conflict between IHRL and IHL
- (d) Implementation and enforcement of IHRL and IHL
- (e) The relation of IHRL and IHL to other fields of international law
- (f) The deprivation of liberty in IHRL and IHL
- (g) The use of force in IHRL and IHL.

International insolvency law 801 (IIL 801)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Module credits	30.00



Programmes LLM Insolvency Law (Coursework)
LLM International Law (Coursework)
LLM Mercantile Law (Coursework)

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Mercantile Law

Period of presentation Semester 1 or Semester 2

Module content

The module comprises a capita selecta from contemporary issues relating to the law of international insolvency.

Aspects dealt with include the following:

- (a) Modern trends and developments in insolvency law
- (b) Current issues in international insolvency law
- (c) Cross-border insolvency law systems in South Africa as well as in selected other jurisdictions

Private international law 410 (IPR 410)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 10.00

Programmes LLB

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Private Law

Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

*For LLB

- (a) Theoretical and historical background
- (b) Conceptual problems
- (c) Determination of foreign law
- (d) Conflict rules for the determination of an appropriate norm of the

- family law
- law of contract
- law of delict
- law of things
- law of succession
- Recognition and enforcement of foreign judgements

International law 410 (IPW 410)

Qualification Undergraduate



Module credits	10.00
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Separate classes for Afrikaans and English
Department	Public Law
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Module content

*For LLB

- The nature and history of international law
- Sources of international law
- International law in municipal law
- Recognition of states and governments
- Territory
- Jurisdiction, international crimes and immunity
- International human rights
- State responsibility

Capita selecta of insurance law 420 (ISL 420)

Qualification	Undergraduate
Module credits	10.00
Programmes	LLB
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Mercantile Law
Period of presentation	Semester 2

Module content

*For LLB

The topics covered include:

- Insurance supervision and governance
- General principles of insurance contract law
- Specific aspects pertaining to the insurance relationship
- Specific aspects pertaining to insurance claims
- Dispute resolution

Insolvency law 310 (ISR 310)

Qualification	Undergraduate
Module credits	10.00



Programmes	BCom Law LLB
Service modules	Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Separate classes for Afrikaans and English
Department	Mercantile Law
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Module content

**For LLB and BCom specialising in law

- (a) General introduction and historical background
- (b) The process of sequestration
- (c) Effects of sequestration
- (d) Voidable and void dispositions
- (e) Overview of administration of insolvent estates
- (f) Composition, rehabilitation and offences
- (g) Liquidation of insolvent companies and close corporations

Insolvency law 801 (ISR 801)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Module credits	30.00
Programmes	LLM Insolvency Law (Coursework)
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Mercantile Law
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Module content

This module deals with aspects of the following topics:

- (a) The nature and purpose of insolvency law with reference to the collection process
- (b) The application of the proceeds and liability for contribution
- (c) Sequestration and rehabilitation applications
- (d) The assets of the insolvent estate
- (e) The assets of the solvent spouse
- (f) Unexecuted transactions
- (g) Impeachable transactions
- (h) Composition



International labour law 802 (ITA 802)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Module credits	30.00
Programmes	LLM Labour Law (Coursework)
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Mercantile Law
Period of presentation	Semester 1 or Semester 2

Module content

This module covers aspects of international labour law and includes:

- (a) International instruments (ILO and EU)
- (b) Employment equity
- (c) Termination of contracts of employment
- (d) Collective bargaining and strikes

Advanced income tax law 801 (ITL 801)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Module credits	30.00
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Mercantile Law
Period of presentation	Semester 1 or Semester 2

Module content

- a) The basic principles pertaining to gross income
- (b) Specific inclusions in gross income – interest, royalties, etc
- (c) General principles pertaining to deductible expenses
- (d) Examples of allowable and non-allowable deductions – rent, improvements, royalties, etc
- (e) Tax evasion and tax avoidance under the Income Tax Act
- (f) Objection and appeal procedures

Individual labour law 801 (IVL 801)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Module credits	30.00
Programmes	LLM Labour Law (Coursework)
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English



Department Mercantile Law

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

Advanced study of:

- (a) Employment contract: essentialia and duties of parties
- (b) Application and scope of Labour Relations Act of 1995
- (c) Unfair labour practices
- (d) Unfair dismissal
- (e) Retrenchment and transfer of employment contracts

Jurisprudence 110 (JUR 110)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 15.00

Programmes BA Law
BCom Law
LLB

Service modules Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences
Faculty of Humanities

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 1 tutorial per week, 4 lectures per week, 4 seminars

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Jurisprudence

Period of presentation Semester 1



Module content

*For LLB and BA/BCom specialising in law

The module has both a theoretical and skills component. All elements described below will encompass conceptual knowledge combined with practical application.

UNDERLYING JURISPRUDENTIAL ASPECTS OF LAW / THE LAW IN GENERAL

- (a) A first-year definition of law / the Law
- (b) The relationships between law and society, law and history, law and politics, law and language
- (c) Being a law student or lawyer in South Africa
- (d) Introduction to different perspectives on the law

THE SOUTH AFRICAN LEGAL SYSTEM AND ITS HISTORICAL DEVELOPMENT

SOURCES OF SOUTH AFRICAN LAW AND THEIR HISTORICAL DEVELOPMENT

- (a) Introduction to characteristics and components of the South African legal system
- (b) Mixed legal systems
- (c) The South African Constitution and its historical development
- (d) Customary law and its historical development
- (e) Common law and its historical development
- (f) Primary and other sources of modern South African law
- (g) Applying the sources of law to a set of facts and relying on the sources of law to answer a jurisprudential question.

THE ABOVE CONTENT FORMS THE BASIS OF THE SKILLS COMPONENT (INCORPORATING ACADEMIC LITERACY SKILLS) WHICH CONSISTS OF:

- (a) Conducting research in the library
- (b) Finding, reading and applying the sources of law
- (c) Reading, understanding and summarising texts on topics of law
- (d) Analysing, criticising and improving ("edit") a piece of writing on the law in a theoretical sense; and
- (e) Writing a well-constructed essay or paragraph on legal problems and topics of law or legal history.

Jurisprudence 120 (JUR 120)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 15.00

Programmes BA Law
BCom Law
LLB

Service modules Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences
Faculty of Humanities

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 1 tutorial per week, 4 lectures per week, 4 seminars

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Jurisprudence

Period of presentation Semester 2



Module content

*For LLB and BA/BCom specialising in law

BASIC PRINCIPLES OF THE:

- (a) Law of obligations (contract and delict)
- (b) Criminal law
- (c) Law of civil procedure;
- (d) Law of criminal procedure; and
- (e) Law of evidence.

ACCESS TO JUSTICE:

- (a) Courts and alternative dispute resolution;
- (b) Legal profession; and
- (c) Access to justice and its promotion in South Africa (the idea, problems, representation in criminal matters, role of different organisations, etc).

THE ABOVE CONTENT FORMS THE BASIS OF THE SKILLS COMPONENT (INCORPORATING ACADEMIC LITERACY SKILLS) WHICH CONSISTS OF:

- (a) Drafting a simple contract based upon a set of facts (law of contract)
- (b) Reading, understanding, summarising a case on the law of delict and applying the principles of legal argument and logic to it
- (c) Summarising, analysing, criticising and improving (“edit”) a piece of writing on the law of evidence
- (d) Understanding and applying the principles of examination in chief, cross-examination and re-examination to a concrete set of facts with a view to participation in a “moot court” or debate.

Jurisprudence 310 (JUR 310)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 10.00

Programmes BA Law
LLB

Service modules Faculty of Humanities

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 1 tutorial per week, 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Separate classes for Afrikaans and English

Department Jurisprudence

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

*For LLB and BA specializing in Law

An overview of the most important jurisprudential approaches amongst others natural law, positivism, realism, critical legal theory, modern and post-modern approaches. The theoretical and practical value of these approaches are investigated within a post-apartheid context.



Jurisprudence 420 (JUR 420)

Qualification	Undergraduate
Module credits	10.00
Programmes	LLB
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Jurisprudence
Period of presentation	Semester 1 or Semester 2

Module content

*For LLB

The module focuses on various jurisprudential approaches including philosophical perspectives; critical theory; and other inter- and trans-disciplinary perspectives on law and their response and relation to contemporary issues.

Child law 410 (KID 410)

Qualification	Undergraduate
Module credits	10.00
Programmes	LLB
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Private Law
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Module content

*For LLB

- (a) The status of children in South African law
- (b) The constitutional protection of children
- (c) General principles of the Children's Act 38 of 2005
- (d) Parental responsibilities and rights
- (e) Children courts
- (f) Adoption and alternative care
- (g) International instruments pertaining to children's rights
- (h) Inter-country adoption and international abduction
- (i) Children and the criminal justice system

Commercial law 110 (KRG 110)

Qualification	Undergraduate
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Module credits 10.00

Programmes
BCom
BCom Accounting Sciences
BCom Investment Management
BSc Information and Knowledge Systems

Service modules
Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology
Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 1 tutorial per week, 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Mercantile Law

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

General introduction.

General principles of the law of contract: introduction to the law of contract; consensus; contractual capacity; legality and physical possibility of performance; formalities; parties to the contract; conditions and related legal concepts; special terms and the interpretation of contracts; breach of contract and the termination of the contractual relationship.

Commercial law 120 (KRG 120)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 10.00

Programmes
BCom
BCom Accounting Sciences
BCom Investment Management
BSc Information and Knowledge Systems

Service modules
Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology
Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences

Prerequisites Examination entrance to KRG 110

Contact time 1 tutorial per week, 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Mercantile Law

Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

Law of purchase and sale; law of lease; credit agreements; law of agency; law of security.

Commercial law 200 (KRG 200)

Qualification Undergraduate



Module credits	24.00
Programmes	BCom Accounting Sciences BSc Information and Knowledge Systems
Service modules	Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences
Prerequisites	KRG 120
Contact time	3 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Mercantile Law
Period of presentation	Year

Module content

Company law, law concerning close corporations, law of partnerships, labour law, law of arbitration and transport, law of insurance, law concerning negotiable documents, law of insolvency, law of succession and trusts.

Criminology 110 (KRM 110)

Qualification	Undergraduate
Module credits	12.00
Programmes	BA BA Extended programme BA Languages BA Law BIS Information Science BSW BSc Information and Knowledge Systems LLB
Service modules	Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology Faculty of Law Faculty of Theology and Religion
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Social Work and Criminology
Period of presentation	Semester 1



Module content

Part 1: Fundamental criminology

A general introduction to criminology is provided. An overview of factors that contribute to crime, forensic criminology and forensic criminalistics are investigated.

Part 2: Violent crime

Various types of violent crimes receive attention in this section.

Criminology 120 (KRM 120)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 12.00

Programmes BA
BA Extended programme
BA Languages
BA Law
BIS Information Science
BSW
BSc Information and Knowledge Systems
LLB

Service modules Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology
Faculty of Law
Faculty of Theology and Religion

Prerequisites KRM 110

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Social Work and Criminology

Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

Part 1: Penology

Attention is given to the roleplayers in the criminal justice system, namely the police, judiciary and corrections.

Part 2: Crime prevention and control

The nature and extent of crime, theories to explain criminal behaviour and crime prevention and control are investigated.

The two sections will not necessarily be presented in chronological order.

Criminology 210 (KRM 210)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 20.00



Programmes	BA BA Languages BA Law BSW BSc Information and Knowledge Systems
Service modules	Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology Faculty of Law
Prerequisites	KRM 110,120
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Social Work and Criminology
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Module content

Part 1: Forensic criminalistics

The integrated nature of systematic criminal investigation is explored by demarcating the study field into the criminal tactic and technique.

Part 2: Youth misbehaviour

The nature, extent, theoretical explanations as well as prevention and control of youth misbehaviour are investigated.

The two sections will not necessarily be presented in chronological order.

Criminology 220 (KRM 220)

Qualification	Undergraduate
Module credits	20.00
Programmes	BA BA Languages BA Law BSW BSc Information and Knowledge Systems
Service modules	Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology Faculty of Law
Prerequisites	KRM 110, 120, 210 (KRM 210 is not a prerequisite for BSW students)
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Social Work and Criminology
Period of presentation	Semester 2



Module content

Part 1: Victimology

Contemporary issues in victimology are explored and special attention is given to aspects such as victim-based legislation and restorative justice.

Part 2: Political offences

Political offences such as corruption, assassination and human rights violations are investigated in this section.

The two sections will not necessarily be presented in chronological order.

Criminology 310 (KRM 310)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 30.00

Programmes BA
BA Law
BSW

Service modules Faculty of Law

Prerequisites KRM 210, 220

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Separate classes for Afrikaans and English

Department Social Work and Criminology

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

Part 1: Theories of crime

Theories focusing on understanding and explaining crime and criminality are investigated in this section.

Part 2: Psychocriminology

Explaining the relation between abnormal behaviour and criminality receives attention in this section.

The two sections will not necessarily be presented in chronological order.

Criminology 320 (KRM 320)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 30.00

Programmes BA
BA Law
BSW

Service modules Faculty of Law

Prerequisites KRM 210, 220, 310 (GS)

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Separate classes for Afrikaans and English

Department Social Work and Criminology



Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

Part 1: Female crime

The historical exclusion of women in Criminology theory development and research is interrogated through an epistemological lens. Gender and racial disparity in the criminal justice system are placed firmly on the agenda.

Part 2: Contemporary criminology issues

In this section contemporary crime manifestations are examined.

The two sections will not necessarily be presented in chronological order.

Specific contracts 220 (KTH 220)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 15.00

Programmes
BA Law
BCom Law
LLB

Service modules Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 4 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Mercantile Law

Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

*For LLB and BCom specialising in law

(a) Law of purchase and sale

(b) Law of letting and hiring of things

(c) Law of agency

(d) Law of surety

(e) Law of letting and hiring of work

Law of contract 211 (KTR 211)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 15.00

Programmes
BA Law
BCom Law
LLB

Service modules Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences
Faculty of Humanities

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 1 tutorial per week, 4 lectures per week



Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Private Law

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

*For LLB and BA/BCom specialising in law

- (a) General principles of the law of obligations
- (b) Formation of the contract
- (c) Content of the contract
- (d) Interpretation of written contracts
- (e) Breach of contract
- (f) Remedies for breach of contract
- (g) Termination of contractual obligations
- (h) Drafting of contracts

Information and communications technology law 420 (KUB 420)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 10.00

Programmes [BSc Information and Knowledge Systems](#)
[LLB](#)

Service modules Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 5 practicals per week

Language of tuition Afrikaans and English are used in one class

Department Mercantile Law

Period of presentation Semester 2



Module content

*For LLB

- (a) Introduction to the study of information and communications technology law:
 - The place of information and communications technology law in the legal system
 - The nature and scope of information and communications technology law
 - Sources of information and communications technology law
 - Inception and influence of the Internet
- (b) Regulation of the Internet:
 - National/International
 - Jurisdiction
- (c) Aspects of intellectual property law and the Internet
- (d) E-commerce activities and the Internet:
 - Aspects of jurisdiction and signing of contracts
 - Data protection and encryption
 - Liability of Internet service providers
- (e) Advertising and the Internet
- (f) Criminal liability in information and communications technology law
- (g) Constitutional aspects in information and communications technology law:
 - The right to privacy/freedom of expression/information

Information and communications technology law 780 (KUB 780)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 15.00

Programmes [BITHons Information Systems](#)

Service modules Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences

Prerequisites KRG 110 or BER 210 or BER 310 or BER 410

Contact time 1 lecture per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Mercantile Law

Period of presentation Semester 1 or Semester 2



Module content

- a) Introduction to the study of information and communications technology law:
 - The place of information and communications technology law in the legal system
 - The nature and scope of information and communications technology law
 - Sources of information and communications technology law
 - Inception and influence of the Internet
- b) Regulation of the Internet:
 - National/International
 - Jurisdiction
- c) Aspects of intellectual property law and the Internet
- d) E-Commerce activities and the Internet:
 - Aspects of jurisdiction and signing of contracts
 - Dataprotection and encryption
 - Liability of Internet service providers
 - Consumer Protection
- e) Criminal liability in information and communications technology space
- f) Constitutional aspects in information and communications technology space:
 - The right to privacy/freedom of expression/information

Information and communications and technology law 802 (KUB 802)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 30.00

Programmes [LLM Mercantile Law \(Coursework\)](#)

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Mercantile Law

Period of presentation Semester 1 or Semester 2



Module content

This module will provide students with detailed knowledge and understanding of the underlying theory and diverse provisions of applicable international and domestic legislation as well as practical guidance on the application thereof. The following aspects will be addressed within the context of information and communications technology law;

- (a) General introduction to international and domestic information technology law
- (b) General principles of international and domestic electronic contracting
- (c) Capita selecta from electronic transacting: online gaming, auctions and the sales of restricted goods, electronic payment methods and digital banking/financial services
- (d) Consumer protection
- (e) Privacy and data protection
- (f) Free speech on the Internet
- (g) Cyber crime
- (h) Electronic challenges facing copyright law
- (i) Domain name regulation, governance and dispute resolution
- (j) Internet Service Provider (ISP) rights, duties and liabilities

Law of banking and financial institutions 410 (LBF 410)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 10.00

Programmes [LLB](#)

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Afrikaans and English are used in one class

Department Mercantile Law

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

*For LLB

- (a) Law pertaining to selected financial institutions
- (b) Banking law
- (c) Insurance law

Liquidation and business rescue 802 (LBR 802)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 30.00

Programmes [LLM Insolvency Law \(Coursework\)](#)

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Mercantile Law



Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

- (a) Compromises and arrangements in terms of section 311 of the Companies Act 61 of 1973
- (b) Initiation and consequences of the winding-up of companies and close corporations
- (c) Administration of insolvent estates and the drafting of liquidation and distribution accounts
- (d) Judicial management and other business rescue mechanisms

Thesis: Law 990 (LLD 990)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 360.00

Programmes [LLD](#)

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Law Deans Office

Period of presentation Year

Dissertation: Law 890 (LLM 890)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 200.00

Programmes [LLM](#)

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Law Deans Office

Period of presentation Year

Law of securities 410 (LOC 410)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 10.00

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Afrikaans and English are used in one class

Department Mercantile Law

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

*For LLB

- (a) Legal principles in respect of the regulation of the primary security markets
- (b) Legal principles in respect of secondary security markets



Advanced law of evidence 802 (LOE 802)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Module credits	30.00
Programmes	LLM Procedural Law (Coursework)
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Procedural Law
Period of presentation	Semester 1 or Semester 2

Module content

The module comprises a study of selected capita of contemporary issues relating to the law of evidence. Aspects dealt with include the following:

- (a) Relevance and the fact-finding process: problematic aspects
- (b) Evidentiary aspects of the sentencing process with specific reference to the role of behavioural sciences
- (c) Expert witnesses and the “hired gun” phenomenon
- (d) A constitutional perspective on the privilege against self-incrimination
- (e) Specific aspects of the Electronic Communications and Transactions Act
- (f) Evidentiary aspects of the Sexual Offences Act

Law and sustainable development 801 (LRD 801)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Module credits	30.00
Programmes	LLM Multidisciplinary Human Rights (Coursework) MPhil Multidisciplinary Human Rights (Coursework)
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Centre for Human Rights
Period of presentation	Semester 1 or Semester 2



Module content

This module is an introduction to the Law and Sustainable Development discipline. Using a “systems” approach, the module exposes students to the complexities of development given globalisation, the separation of powers, and international public interest / human rights law. Three core subsystems (politics, economics and law) are considered, to make the case for a multidisciplinary but integrated development model. In this model, the law, judiciary and legal practitioners play a primary role to galvanise and shape development policy and a secondary role to redress infractions and omissions. Students will consider development in a post-WWII context and the paradigms that have shaped the thinking, policies, programmes and practices adopted by nation states to advance the aspirations and legal obligations set out in international, regional and national human rights instruments. The module content includes:

- i. Development in a Post-World War II context;
- ii. Institutional economics;
- iii. Foreign investment and Law and Sustainable Development; and
- iv. Practical considerations in Law and Sustainable Development.

Global perspectives on law, justice and development 802 (LRD 802)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 30.00

Programmes [LLM Law and Political Justice \(Coursework\)](#)
[LLM Multidisciplinary Human Rights \(Coursework\)](#)
[MPhil Law and Political Justice \(Coursework\)](#)
[MPhil Multidisciplinary Human Rights \(Coursework\)](#)

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Jurisprudence

Period of presentation Semester 1 or Semester 2

Module content

This module deals with the following aspects:

- (a) Post-structural/postmodern legal theory
- (b) Post-colonial legal theory
- (c) Feminist legal theory
- (d) Application within a developmental context

Law of securities 801 (LRR 801)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 30.00

Programmes [LLM Corporate Law \(Coursework\)](#)

Prerequisites Must pass an entrance test

Contact time 2 lectures per week



Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Mercantile Law

Period of presentation Semester 1 or Semester 2

Module content

This module deals with aspects of the following topics:

- (a) Shares and debentures
- (b) Capital rules
- (c) Acquisition of capital and quasi shares
- (d) Secondary markets

Applied international law 801 (MCL 801)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 30.00

Programmes [LLM International Air, Space and Telecommunications Law \(Coursework\)](#)
[LLM International Law \(Coursework\)](#)

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Public Law

Period of presentation Semester 1 or Semester 2

Module content

The module deals with the principles of international law at an advanced level. It focuses on theoretical questions pertaining to sources of the law and the relationship between international and national law. It analyses new developments in international law such as the changing content of sovereignty and the phenomenon of regional integration.

Media law 420 (MDR 420)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 10.00

Programmes [LLB](#)

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Public Law

Period of presentation Semester 1



Module content

*For LLB

Capita selecta from media and communications law in the light of the Constitution.

Multidisciplinary human rights 801 (MHR 801)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 30.00

Programmes [LLM Multidisciplinary Human Rights \(Coursework\)](#)
[MPhil Multidisciplinary Human Rights \(Coursework\)](#)

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Centre for Human Rights

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

A combination of at least seven of the following topics:

- (a) The state, democracy and human rights
- (b) International relations and human rights
- (c) History of human rights, including “grassroots narratives”
- (d) Human rights in visual media (art and film)
- (e) Human rights in literature
- (f) Human rights fact-finding and reporting; human rights journalism
- (g) Human rights and HIV/Aids
- (h) Medicine, medical ethics and human rights
- (i) Civil society, “grassroots movements” and human rights
- (j) Poverty and human rights
- (k) Globalisation and human rights
- (l) Human rights and social change
- (m) Social science research and human rights
- (n) Tradition, religion and human rights
- (o) Gender and human rights
- (p) Transitional justice, reconciliation and justice

Company law 801 (MKR 801)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 30.00

Programmes [LLM Corporate Law \(Coursework\)](#)

Prerequisites Must pass an entrance test

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English



Department Mercantile Law

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

This module deals with aspects of the following topics:

- (a) The company concept
- (b) Capacity and representation of the company
- (c) Duties of the company director
- (d) Minority protection

Mini-dissertation 800 (MND 800)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 100.00

Programmes

- LLM Banking Law (Coursework)
- LLM Child Law (Coursework)
- LLM Constitutional and Administrative Law (Coursework)
- LLM Consumer Protection Law (Coursework)
- LLM Corporate Law (Coursework)
- LLM Disability Rights (Coursework)
- LLM Environmental Law (Coursework)
- LLM Estate Law (Coursework)
- LLM Extractive Industry Law in Africa (Coursework)
- LLM Family Law (Coursework)
- LLM Insolvency Law (Coursework)
- LLM Insurance Law and Governance (Coursework)
- LLM Intellectual Property Law (Coursework)
- LLM International Air, Space and Telecommunications Law (Coursework)
- LLM International Law (Coursework)
- LLM Labour Law (Coursework)
- LLM Law and Political Justice (Coursework)
- LLM Law of Contract (Coursework)
- LLM Mercantile Law (Coursework)
- LLM Multidisciplinary Human Rights (Coursework)
- LLM Private Law (Coursework)
- LLM Procedural Law (Coursework)
- LLM Socio-economic Rights (Coursework)
- MPhil Disability Rights (Coursework)
- MPhil Environmental Law (Coursework)
- MPhil Extractive Industry Policy, Management and Regulation (Coursework)
- MPhil Law and Political Justice (Coursework)
- MPhil Medical Law and Ethics (Coursework)
- MPhil Multidisciplinary Human Rights (Coursework)

Prerequisites RHP 801 and RHP 803

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Law Deans Office

Period of presentation Year



Module content

(a) The student must submit a research proposal during his/her first year of registration for the LLM degree to the supervisor prior to commencing with the writing of the mini-dissertation.

(b) A mini-dissertation (MND 800) of 13 000 to 15 000 words inclusive of footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography, is required. The mini-dissertation must be submitted to the supervisor not later than August of the second year of registration for the LLM programme. The mini-dissertation must deal with the subject content of one of the modules or a combination of the modules registered for by the student for his/her LLM degree. Any request for an extension of the period for submission of the mini-dissertation may only be granted by the Dean on recommendation of the LLM Committee

Mini-dissertation 802 (MND 802)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 100.00

Programmes [LLM Human Rights and Democratisation in Africa \(Coursework\)](#)
[LLM Sexual and Reproductive Rights in Africa \(Coursework\)](#)
[MPhil Human Rights and Democratisation in Africa \(Coursework\)](#)
[MPhil Sexual and Reproductive Rights in Africa \(Coursework\)](#)

Prerequisites NRM 801 and RHP 803

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Centre for Human Rights

Period of presentation Year

Module content

(a) The student must submit a research proposal during his/her first year of registration for the LLM degree to the supervisor prior to commencing with the writing of the mini-dissertation.

(b) A mini-dissertation (MND 802) of 18 000 to 20 000 words inclusive of footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography, is required. The mini-dissertation must be submitted to the study leader not later than August of the second year of registration for the LLM programme. The mini-dissertation must deal with the subject content of one of the modules or a combination of the modules registered for by the student for his/her LLM degree. Any request for an extension of the period for submission of the mini-dissertation may only be granted by the Dean on recommendation of the LLM Committee.

Mini-dissertation 803 (MND 803)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 130.00

Programmes [LLM International Trade and Investment Law in Africa \(Coursework\)](#)

Prerequisites RHP 801 and RHP 803

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Law Deans Office

Period of presentation Year



Module content

- (a) The student must submit a research proposal during his/her first year of registration for the LLM degree to the supervisor prior to commencing with the writing of the mini-dissertation.
- (b) A mini-dissertation (MND 803) of 23 000 to 25 000 words inclusive of footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography, is required. The mini-dissertation must be submitted to the study leader not later than August of the second year of registration for the LLM programme. The mini-dissertation must deal with the subject content of one of the modules or a combination of the modules registered for by the student for his/her LLM degree. Any request for an extension of the period for submission of the mini-dissertation may only be granted by the Dean on recommendation of the LLM Committee.

Mini-dissertation 804 (MND 804)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Module credits	100.00
Programmes	LLM Tax Law (Coursework)
Prerequisites	RHP 801 and RHP 803
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Law Deans Office
Period of presentation	Year

Module content

- (a) The student must submit a research proposal during his/her second year of registration for the LLM degree to the supervisor prior to commencing with the writing of the mini-dissertation.
- (b) A mini-dissertation (MND 804) of minimum of 13 000 words inclusive of footnotes but excluding the list of contents and the bibliography, is required. The mini-dissertation must be submitted to the supervisor not later than August of the second year of registration for the LLM programme. The mini-dissertation must deal with the subject content of one of the modules or a combination of the modules registered for by the student for his/her LLM degree. Any request for an extension of the period for submission of the mini-dissertation may only be granted by the Dean on recommendation of the LLM Committee.

Dissertation: Law 890 (MPI 890)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Module credits	200.00
Programmes	MPhil
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Law Deans Office
Period of presentation	Year



Module content

Matrimonial property law 802 (MPL 802)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Module credits	30.00
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Private Law
Period of presentation	Semester 2

Module content

- (a) Aspects of the Bill of Rights and the family law
- (b) Mediation in divorce law
- (c) Aspects of legal consequences of divorce between spouses
- (d) New development in the law of husband and wife

Municipal law 410 (MRG 410)

Qualification	Undergraduate
Module credits	10.00
Programmes	LLB
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Public Law
Period of presentation	Semester 1



Module content

*For LLB

- (a) Introduction to local government law in general
- (b) Process of local government transformation
- (c) Status, objects and challenges of local government
- (d) Legal nature and duties of municipalities
- (e) Co-operative government
- (f) New institutional models in local government
- (g) Demarcation of local government jurisdictions.
- (h) Composition and election of local government structures
- (i) Role of traditional leaders in local government
- (j) Powers and functions
- (k) Political structures
- (l) Municipal services and other functional activities
- (m) Human resources and labour issues
- (n) Municipal finances and fiscal management
- (o) Development, planning and unique local government law matters

General principles of insurance law 801 (MRL 801)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Module credits	30.00
Programmes	LLM Insurance Law and Governance (Coursework)
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	30 Hours
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Mercantile Law
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Module content

The aim of this module is to equip students with a thorough understanding of the general principles of insurance law.

The topics covered include:

- a. Technique and history of insurance
- b. Sources of insurance law
- c. Insurance contract law
- d. Insurance intermediaries

Insurance regulation and governance 802 (MRL 802)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Module credits	30.00



Programmes [LLM Insurance Law and Governance \(Coursework\)](#)

Prerequisites MRL 801

Contact time 30 Hours

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Mercantile Law

Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

The aim of this module is to equip students with a thorough understanding of the way in which insurance companies are regulated and the governance principles applicable to insurance companies.

The topics covered include:

- a. Supervision and governance
- b. Insurance claims handling
- c. Dispute resolution

Capita Selecta of Insurance Law 803 (MRL 803)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 30.00

Programmes [LLM Insurance Law and Governance \(Coursework\)](#)

Prerequisites MRL 802

Contact time 30 Hours

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Mercantile Law

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

The topics covered include:

- a. Microinsurance
- b. Reinsurance
- c. Aspects of international insurance law

Dissertation: Human rights 890 (MRT 890)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 200.00

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Language of tuition Module is presented in English



Department Centre for Human Rights

Period of presentation Year

Thesis and oral defence: Human rights 990 (MRT 990)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 400.00

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Centre for Human Rights

Period of presentation Year

Research methodology for human rights 801 (NRM 801)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 5.00

Programmes

[LLM Disability Rights \(Coursework\)](#)
[LLM Human Rights and Democratisation in Africa \(Coursework\)](#)
[LLM Sexual and Reproductive Rights in Africa \(Coursework\)](#)
[MPhil Extractive Industry Policy, Management and Regulation \(Coursework\)](#)
[MPhil Human Rights and Democratisation in Africa \(Coursework\)](#)
[MPhil Sexual and Reproductive Rights in Africa \(Coursework\)](#)

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Centre for Human Rights

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

In this module, the focus is on aspects of human rights research, fact finding, advocacy and education.

Entrepreneurial law 320 (ODR 320)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 12.00

Programmes

[BCom Law](#)
[LLB](#)

Service modules Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 1 tutorial per week, 3 lectures per week

Language of tuition Separate classes for Afrikaans and English



Department Mercantile Law

Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

*For LLB and BCom specialising in law

- (a) Company law
- (b) Law relating to close corporations
- (c) Partnership law

Environmental law 410 (OMR 410)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 10.00

Programmes LLB

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Public Law

Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

*For LLB

- (a) The nature and scope of environmental law
- (b) The Constitution and the environment
- (c) Environmental framework regulation
- (d) Planning law
- (e) Environmental assessment
- (f) Water law
- (g) Pollution control and waste management
- (h) Mining and energy sources
- (i) Biodiversity and conservation of forests, plant resources and wild animals
- (j) Heritage resources
- (k) Living marine resources

Education law 420 (ONR 420)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 10.00

Programmes LLB

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English



Department Private Law

Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

*For LLB

- (a) Introduction to the nature and role of the law of education
- (b) Fundamental right to education and constitutional principles relevant to education
- (c) Certain specific rights of students, learners, parents and educators
- (d) Basic legal principles of education management in public schools
- (e) Basic legal principles regarding tertiary education
- (f) Other relevant aspects of the law of education

Post-apartheid jurisprudence 801 (PAJ 801)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 30.00

Programmes

[LLM Law and Political Justice \(Coursework\)](#)
[LLM Multidisciplinary Human Rights \(Coursework\)](#)
[LLM Socio-economic Rights \(Coursework\)](#)
[MPhil Law and Political Justice \(Coursework\)](#)
[MPhil Multidisciplinary Human Rights \(Coursework\)](#)

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Jurisprudence

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

This module deals with the following aspects:

- (a) Transformative constitutionalism
- (b) Post-apartheid jurisprudence
- (c) Law, memory, reconciliation and reparation

Public law 200 (PBL 200)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 20.00

Programmes

[BA Law](#)
[BAdmin Public Management and International Relations](#)
[LLB](#)

Service modules Faculty of Humanities

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week



Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Public Law

Period of presentation Year

Module content

*For LLB, BA specialising in law; BAdmin and BCom law

- (a) Introduction to constitutional law theory
- (b) Basic principles: the law, the state and the individual
- (c) The historical development of the South African constitutional law
- (d) Different elements of a state
- (e) Sources of the South African constitutional law
- (f) The founding provisions, the legal order and symbols of the South African state
- (g) Cooperative government
- (h) The national legislative authority
- (i) The president and the national executive authority
- (j) Provincial government
- (k) Judicial authority
- (l) The Bill of Rights: History of human rights in South Africa, jurisprudential and political perspectives on human rights, application, justiciability and interpretation of the bill of rights, jurisdiction, procedures and remedies, limitation of human rights, an analysis of selected human rights
- (m) State institutions supporting constitutional democracy
- (n) The public administration
- (o) The South African security services
- (p) General provisions

Public law 310 (PBL 310)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 10.00

Programmes [LLB](#)

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Separate classes for Afrikaans and English

Department Public Law

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

*For LLB and BAdmin

An overview of judicial review of administrative action in light of the Constitution and the Promotion of Administrative Justice Act 3 of 2000, with a focus on the legitimate scope of such judicial review and the grounds for judicial review.

Public law 320 (PBL 320)



Qualification	Undergraduate
Module credits	10.00
Programmes	LLB
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Separate classes for Afrikaans and English
Department	Public Law
Period of presentation	Semester 2

Module content

*For LLB

- (a) The historical development and theory of international law
- (b) Sources of international law
- (c) Territory
- (d) International legal personality
- (e) Jurisdiction, immunity from jurisdiction and extradition
- (f) Self-contained legal regimes and state responsibility
- (g) Judicial settlement of international disputes
- (h) International law in municipal law

Public law 410 (PBL 410)

Qualification	Undergraduate
Module credits	10.00
Programmes	LLB
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	3 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Separate classes for Afrikaans and English
Department	Public Law
Period of presentation	Semester 1



Module content

*For LLB

Introduction to criminal law:

- (a) Criminal law and the legal system
- (b) Criminal law and law of delict
- (c) The concepts "criminal law" and "crime"
- (d) The history and sources of our criminal law
- (e) Determinism and indeterminism
- (f) The purpose and function of the criminal law and crime
- (g) The classification of criminal law and crimes

General principles of criminal law: elements of criminal liability:

- (a) Legality
- (b) The deed
- (c) Unlawfulness
- (d) Capacity
- (e) Fault
- (f) Multiple defences

Public law 420 (PBL 420)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 10.00

Programmes [LLB](#)

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 3 lectures per week

Language of tuition Separate classes for Afrikaans and English

Department Public Law

Period of presentation Semester 2



Module content

*For LLB

Specific crimes:

- (a) Attempt, incitement and conspiracy
- (b) Participation and accessories after the fact
- (c) Crimes against life
- (d) Crimes against bodily integrity and parental authority
- (e) Crimes against reputation and dignity
- (f) Crimes against property and freedom of will
- (g) Crimes against sexual morality and family life
- (h) Crimes against public morality and religious feelings
- (i) Crimes against the administration of justice and public administration
- (j) Crimes against the state

Punishment:

- (a) Theories of punishment
- (b) Forms of punishment

Theory and practice of medical law and medical ethics 811 (PBL 811)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 30.00

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Public Law

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

The topics covered include:(a) Historical, philosophical and foundational aspects of medical law and ethics, in general, and with specific reference to the doctor-patient-hospital relationship (b) Basic concepts in medical law and ethics, in general, and with specific reference to informed consent, medical confidentiality, capacity, medical paternalism and patient autonomy. (c) The specific interface between medical law and medical ethics

Access to healthcare and medical malpractice litigation 812 (PBL 812)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 30.00

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Public Law

Period of presentation Semester 1 or Semester 2



Module content

In this module a multidisciplinary approach is adopted and the topics include the following: (a) Justice in the allocation of health resources, access to health care and healthcare insurance (b) The nature, scope and incidences of medical malpractice litigation in South Africa (c) The nature and scope of damages and compensation for medical negligence (d) Grounds of justification for medical interventions and other general defences in medical law (e) The various causes of action in medical malpractice litigation (f) Vulnerable patients (inclusive of children, the mentally ill/disabled and the elderly) and medical malpractice litigation (g) Allied healthcare practitioners (inclusive of nurses, psychologists, traditional healers etc) and medical malpractice (h) The role of telemedicine and e-health in medical malpractice (i) Reform of medical malpractice law (j) The drafting/assessment of pleadings in context of medical malpractice litigation

Medico-legal issues 813 (PBL 813)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 30.00

Programmes [MPhil Medical Law and Ethics \(Coursework\)](#)

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Public Law

Period of presentation Semester 1 or Semester 2

Module content

In this module, specific aspects of medico-legal issues are discussed. Specifics topics include: (a) A legal analysis of clinical medical research and practice (b) Analysing the application of mental healthcare law and practice in South Africa (c) The status and application of end-of-life-decisions and living wills (d) A legal analysis of organ procurement and transplantation (e) The nature, scope and application of forensic pathology services, also in context of sexual offences, “unnatural deaths” and inquest legislation (f) A legal analysis of human procreation (inclusive of artificial insemination, stem cell research, surrogacy and genetics) (g) Environmental issues and medical law (h) Intellectual property rights and medical law: access to patented and generic medicine

Aspects of private law pertaining to children 801 (PLC 801)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 30.00

Programmes [LLM Child Law \(Coursework\)](#)
[LLM Private Law \(Coursework\)](#)

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Private Law

Period of presentation Semester 1



Module content

Capita selecta from any of the following:

- (a) Private legal status of children in South Africa
- (b) Parent-child relationship
- (c) Children's rights and parental responsibilities
- (d) Adoption and alternative care
- (e) Reproductive and health-care rights
- (f) The theory of children's rights

Practical law 400 (PRR 400)

Qualification	Undergraduate
Module credits	20.00
Prerequisites	Prospective students must apply for admission to this module
Contact time	1 lecture per week
Language of tuition	Afrikaans and English are used in one class
Department	Procedural Law
Period of presentation	Year

Module content

*For LLB

- (a) Practical legal work according to a duty roster at the University's Law Clinic during the academic year, including consultations with clients, drafting of pleadings and attendance at trials.
- (b) Discussion classes regarding cases that are being dealt with at the Law Clinic
- (c) Assignments

Law of persons 110 (PSR 110)

Qualification	Undergraduate
Module credits	10.00
Programmes	BA Law BCom Law LLB
Service modules	Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences Faculty of Humanities
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	1 tutorial per week, 2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Private Law
Period of presentation	Semester 1



Module content

*For LLB and BA/BCom specialising in Law

The legal rules in respect of the coming into existence, private law status and termination of a natural person or legal subject

International humanitarian law 420 (PUR 420)

Qualification	Undergraduate
Module credits	10.00
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Public Law
Period of presentation	Semester 2

Module content

*For LLB

- (a) What is international humanitarian law (the law of war)?: the distinction between ius ad bellum and ius in bello
- (b) The historical development and sources of international humanitarian law (IHL)
- (c) Different types of armed conflict: The distinction between international and non-international armed conflicts
- (d) Distinction between combatants and civilians
- (e) The prisoner of war (POW) status: soldiers, spies, mercenaries and guerrillas
- (f) Conduct of hostilities: legal restraints on how war is to be waged (including the prohibition of certain weapons and the targets that may be engaged during hostilities)
- (g) The distinction between genocide, crimes against humanity and war crimes
- (h) Winners or losers: war, international politics and the implementation of IHL
- (i) The protection of women and children during armed conflict
- (j) Accountability or impunity: the prosecution of war crimes by national courts, ad hoc tribunals (the ICTY and ICTR) and the International Criminal Court (ICC)
- (k) The devil made me do it: superior orders and command responsibility during war
- (l) The role of International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC)

Dissertation: Public law 890 (PUR 890)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Module credits	200.00
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Public Law
Period of presentation	Year



Thesis and oral defence: Public law 990 (PUR 990)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Module credits	400.00
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Public Law
Period of presentation	Year

Private law 420 (PVR 420)

Qualification	Undergraduate
Module credits	10.00
Programmes	LLB
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Separate classes for Afrikaans and English
Department	Private Law
Period of presentation	Semester 2

Module content

*For LLB

Capita selecta from any of the following:

- (a) Enrichment
- (b) Estoppel
- (c) Personality rights

Dissertation: Private law 890 (PVR 890)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Module credits	200.00
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Private Law
Period of presentation	Year

Thesis and oral defence: Private law 990 (PVR 990)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Module credits	400.00
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.



Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Private Law

Period of presentation Year

Dissertation: Jurisprudence 890 (RGS 890)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 200.00

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Jurisprudence

Period of presentation Year

Thesis and oral defence: Jurisprudence 990 (RGS 990)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 400.00

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Jurisprudence

Period of presentation Year

Research methodology 320 (RHP 320)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 5.00

Programmes [LLB](#)

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Separate classes for Afrikaans and English

Department Jurisprudence

Period of presentation Semester 2



Module content

*For LLB

The module includes the following:

- How to plan a research project
- Reading strategies and techniques
- Broad theoretical approaches and methodologies (Sociology of law, Legal pluralism, Legal history, Comparison)
- Citation, ethics of citation, presentation and language
- How to write a research proposal and general drafting (As this module is a prerequisite to register for SKY 410, attendance at all the sessions and a mark of at least 50% for the submitted research proposal are required in order to obtain the prescribed credits)

Research methodology 801 (RHP 801)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 5.00

Programmes

LLM Banking Law (Coursework)
LLM Child Law (Coursework)
LLM Constitutional and Administrative Law (Coursework)
LLM Consumer Protection Law (Coursework)
LLM Corporate Law (Coursework)
LLM Environmental Law (Coursework)
LLM Estate Law (Coursework)
LLM Extractive Industry Law in Africa (Coursework)
LLM Family Law (Coursework)
LLM Insolvency Law (Coursework)
LLM Insurance Law and Governance (Coursework)
LLM Intellectual Property Law (Coursework)
LLM International Air, Space and Telecommunications Law (Coursework)
LLM International Law (Coursework)
LLM International Trade and Investment Law in Africa (Coursework)
LLM Labour Law (Coursework)
LLM Law and Political Justice (Coursework)
LLM Law of Contract (Coursework)
LLM Mercantile Law (Coursework)
LLM Multidisciplinary Human Rights (Coursework)
LLM Private Law (Coursework)
LLM Procedural Law (Coursework)
LLM Socio-economic Rights (Coursework)
LLM Tax Law (Coursework)
MPhil Environmental Law (Coursework)
MPhil Extractive Industry Policy, Management and Regulation (Coursework)
MPhil Law and Political Justice (Coursework)
MPhil Medical Law and Ethics (Coursework)
MPhil Multidisciplinary Human Rights (Coursework)

Prerequisites No prerequisites.



Contact time	8 seminars or block sessions
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Law Deans Office
Period of presentation	Semester 1 or Semester 2

Module content

- (a) Planning and organising a research project
- (b) Drafting a research proposal: Hypotheses and research question
- (c) Theory in research and methodological approaches to legal research
- (d) Language
- (e) Citation and ethics of citation
- (f) Drafting of chapters and presentation

Research methodology 802 (RHP 802)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Module credits	5.00
Programmes	LLM MPhil
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	40 seminars
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Law Deans Office
Period of presentation	Semester 1 and Semester 2

Module content

- (a) Planning and organising a research project
- (b) Drafting a research proposal: Hypotheses and Research question
- (c) Theory in research and methodological approaches to legal research
- (d) Language
- (e) Citation and ethics of citation
- (f) Drafting of chapters and presentation
- (g) Substantive themes in legal research

Research proposal 803 (RHP 803)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Module credits	5.00



- LLM Banking Law (Coursework)
- LLM Child Law (Coursework)
- LLM Constitutional and Administrative Law (Coursework)
- LLM Consumer Protection Law (Coursework)
- LLM Corporate Law (Coursework)
- LLM Disability Rights (Coursework)
- LLM Environmental Law (Coursework)
- LLM Estate Law (Coursework)
- LLM Extractive Industry Law in Africa (Coursework)
- LLM Family Law (Coursework)
- LLM Human Rights and Democratisation in Africa (Coursework)
- LLM Insolvency Law (Coursework)
- LLM Insurance Law and Governance (Coursework)
- LLM Intellectual Property Law (Coursework)
- LLM International Air, Space and Telecommunications Law (Coursework)
- LLM International Law (Coursework)
- LLM International Trade and Investment Law in Africa (Coursework)
- LLM Labour Law (Coursework)
- LLM Law and Political Justice (Coursework)
- LLM Law of Contract (Coursework)
- LLM Mercantile Law (Coursework)
- LLM Multidisciplinary Human Rights (Coursework)
- LLM Private Law (Coursework)
- LLM Procedural Law (Coursework)
- LLM Sexual and Reproductive Rights in Africa (Coursework)
- LLM Socio-economic Rights (Coursework)
- LLM Tax Law (Coursework)
- MPhil Disability Rights (Coursework)
- MPhil Environmental Law (Coursework)
- MPhil Extractive Industry Policy, Management and Regulation (Coursework)
- MPhil Human Rights and Democratisation in Africa (Coursework)
- MPhil Law and Political Justice (Coursework)
- MPhil Medical Law and Ethics (Coursework)
- MPhil Multidisciplinary Human Rights (Coursework)
- MPhil Sexual and Reproductive Rights in Africa (Coursework)

Programmes

Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Law Deans Office
Period of presentation	Year

Module content

Development and presentation of a research proposal. (A research proposal must be submitted to the supervisor and accepted in the first semester of the second year of study before the student will be allowed to register for the mini-dissertation.)

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

Qualification Postgraduate



Module credits	0.00
Programmes	LLM MPhil
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Law Deans Office
Period of presentation	Semester 1 or Semester 2

Research methodology 902 (RHP 902)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Module credits	5.00
Programmes	LLD PhD
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	40 seminars
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Law Deans Office
Period of presentation	Semester 1 and Semester 2

Module content

- (a) Planning and organising a research project
- (b) Drafting a research proposal: Hypotheses and Research question
- (c) Theory in research and Methodological approaches to legal research
- (d) Language
- (e) Citation and ethics of citation
- (f) Drafting of chapters and presentation
- (g) Substantive themes in legal research

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

Qualification	Postgraduate
Module credits	5.00
Programmes	LLD PhD
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Law Deans Office
Period of presentation	Year



Module content

Research proposal and oral defence of the research proposal. A draft proposal must 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. This module must be completed within one year after registration.

Legal problems of HIV and AIDS 410 (RHV 410)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 10.00

Programmes LLB

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Afrikaans and English are used in one class

Department Public Law

Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

*For LLB

An introduction to the medical and social aspects of the disease, and aspects of the legal position of people with HIV/Aids; seminar assignments (mini-dissertations) about problems of a moral and legal nature, such as the criminalisation of HIV infection as a separate statutory offence, implications of the right to health care, notification of HIV/Aids and the limits of privacy, as well as aspects arising from medical experimentation and the development of a vaccine.

Roman law 120 (ROM 120)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 10.00

Programmes BA Law
BCom Law
LLB

Service modules Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 1 tutorial per week, 3 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Jurisprudence

Period of presentation Semester 2



Module content

*For LLB and BA/BCom specialising in law

General introduction to Roman law and European law as foundations of South African private law

INTRODUCTION TO THE ROMAN LAW OF THINGS

- (a) Things, real rights, possession
- (b) Ownership, limitations, acquisition, protection
- (c) Limited real rights, servitudes, real security

INTRODUCTION TO THE ROMAN LAW OF CONTRACT

- (a) General principles of the law of contract
- (b) Specific contracts
- (c) Quasi contracts

INTRODUCTION TO THE ROMAN LAW OF DELICT

- (a) General principles of the law of delict
- (b) Specific delicts
- (c) Quasi delicts

Legal practice 210 (RPK 210)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 10.00

Programmes LLB

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Procedural Law

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

*For LLB

- (a) An overview of the origin and development of the various legal professions
- (b) Statutory provisions applicable to the legal profession
- (c) Professional conduct and ethics
- (d) Professional costs and fees
- (e) Professional liability of legal practitioners
- (f) Research skills
- (g) Writing skills (letter of advice to client; office memorandum; heads of argument)

Legal practice 220 (RPK 220)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 10.00

Programmes LLB



Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Procedural Law
Period of presentation	Semester 2

Module content

*For LLB

- (a) Practice management
- (b) Taking of instructions
- (c) Bookkeeping for legal practices
- (d) Aspects of trial advocacy
- (e) Practical application
- (f) Research skills
- (g) Writing skills (letter of advice to client; office memorandum; heads of argument)

Legal pluralism 210 (RPR 210)

Qualification	Undergraduate
Module credits	10.00
Programmes	BA Law LLB
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Private Law
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Module content

*For LLB and BA specialising in law

- (a) Indigenous culture groups, their culture, and the definition of legal pluralism
- (b) Law of persons and family law of indigenous culture groups
- (c) Indigenous law of delict
- (d) Indigenous law of succession
- (e) Indigenous law of contract
- (f) Legal conflict and court structure
- (g) Legal systems based on religion in South Africa

Introduction to the South African legal system and Bill of Rights 801 (RVM 801)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Module credits	15.00



Programmes LLM Human Rights and Democratisation in Africa (Coursework)
MPhil Human Rights and Democratisation in Africa (Coursework)

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Centre for Human Rights

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

This module provides an introductory overview of the South African Bill of Rights and constitutional litigation and analyses some selected rights in more depth within a comparative African constitutional context.

Legal interpretation 210 (RVW 210)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 10.00

Programmes BA Law
LLB

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Public Law

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

*For LLB, BAdmin, BA specialising in law and BCom Taxation

Statute law:

- (a) General introduction: relationship between text and context
- (b) What is legislation: categories and types of legislation
- (c) The structure and format of legislation (enacted law texts)
- (d) Commencement, amendment and demise of legislation

Principles of interpretation:

- (a) How to interpret legislation: various theories and methods of interpretation and the influence of the supreme Constitution on statutory interpretation
- (b) Internal and external aids to determine the legislative purpose
- (c) So-called peremptory and directory provisions
- (d) Statutory interpretation and judicial lawmaking
- (e) Basic principles of constitutional interpretation

International air, space and telecommunications law 801 (SAL 801)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 30.00



Programmes LLM International Air, Space and Telecommunications Law (Coursework)

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Public Law

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

- (a) The public and private law aspects of air law
- (b) The regulatory system of the International Telecommunication Union
- (c) The history and major principles of space law
- (d) The use of space for military purposes
- (e) Liability for the wrongful use of space

Law of things 310 (SAR 310)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 15.00

Programmes BCom Law
LLB

Service modules Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 1 tutorial per week, 4 lectures per week

Language of tuition Separate classes for Afrikaans and English

Department Private Law

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

*For LLB and BA/BCom specialising in law

- (a) General principles of the law of things
- (b) Constitutional aspects
- (c) Control (possession and holdership)
- (d) Ownership (including joint ownership and sectional-title property)
- (e) Limited real rights (including servitudes, limiting provisions, public servitudes, mineral rights and real security rights)

Law of competition 420 (SCL 420)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 10.00

Programmes LLB

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week



Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Private Law

Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

*For LLB

Section A: Law of Unlawful Competition – the Common Law of Competition

The following aspects will be dealt with:

- i. The role of competition in commerce
- ii. The concept and definition of competition
- iii. The historical development of the law of unlawful competition
- iv. Rights affected by unlawful competition
- v. The common law basis for action against unlawful competition
- vi. Capita Selecta: (Recognised Forms of Unlawful Competition):
 - a. Passing Off and Leaning On,
 - b. Deception concerning ones enterprise, goods or services;
 - c. Interference with a trader’s enterprise or business affairs,
 - d. Misappropriation of confidential information,
 - e. Counterfeit goods,
 - f. Ambush marketing
- vii. Defences against unlawful competition

Section B: Statutory Competition Law - the Competition Act, 1998

The following aspects will be dealt with:

- i. The development of statutory competition
- ii. The Competition Act: goals and scope of application
- iii. The administrative framework of the Competition Act.
- iv. Practices and transactions governed by the Competition Act
 - a. Restrictive horizontal practices
 - b. Restrictive vertical practices
 - c. Abuse of Dominance
 - d. Mergers
- v. Other Important Enforcement and Administrative Procedures
 - a. Corporate Leniency
 - b. Exemptions
 - c. Criminalisation of Cartel Conduct
 - d. Market Inquiries
 - e. Private Damages Claim

Statutory competition law 801 (SCL 801)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 30.00

Programmes [LLM Mercantile Law \(Coursework\)](#)



Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Mercantile Law
Period of presentation	Semester 2

Module content

This module will provide students with detailed knowledge and understanding of the underlying policy and diverse provisions of the Competition Act 89 of 1998 (as amended) as well as practical guidance on the application thereof. The following aspects will be dealt with within the context of international comparative competition law:

- (a) Introduction to competition policy, jurisdiction and the structure of competition authorities
- (b) Economics of competition law
- (c) Relevant aspects of markets and market power
- (d) Horizontal agreements and restrictive horizontal practices
- (e) Vertical agreements and restrictive vertical practices
- (f) Abuse of dominance
- (g) The Competition Act and price setting
- (h) Exemption applications
- (i) Merger assessment
- (j) Merger regulation: legal and procedural aspects

Law of damages 410 (SGR 410)

Qualification	Undergraduate
Module credits	10.00
Programmes	LLB
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Separate classes for Afrikaans and English
Department	Private Law
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Module content

*For LLB

- (a) General principles and doctrines of the law of damages
- (b) Specific principles regarding delictual damages
- (c) Specific principles regarding contractual damages
- (d) Procedural principles in the law of damages

Civil procedure law 400 (SIP 400)

Qualification	Undergraduate
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Module credits	15.00
Programmes	LLB
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Separate classes for Afrikaans and English
Department	Procedural Law
Period of presentation	Year

Module content

*For LLB

- (a) Aspects of litigation techniques
- (b) General principles of civil procedure
- (c) Practical application
- (d) Compiling pleadings

Law of specific contracts 802 (SKC 802)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Module credits	30.00
Programmes	LLM Mercantile Law (Coursework) LLM Private Law (Coursework)
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Mercantile Law
Period of presentation	Semester 1 or Semester 2



Module content

A. Sale

1. General principles
2. Capita selecta from:
 - (a) Historical background of the deed of sale
 - (b) Methods of determining the subject matter: purchase price and thing sold
 - (c) Formalities regulations for sale of land
 - (d) The Actio Empti, Actio Redhibitoria and Actio Quanti Minoris
 - (e) Transfer of ownership and warranty against eviction
 - (f) Payment of price: suspensive condition
 - (g) Benefit and risk

B. Lease

1. General principles
2. Capita selecta from:
 - (a) Nature of the contract of lease
 - (b) Essentialia
 - (c) Rental Housing Act 50 of 1999: nature and powers of rental housing tribunals
 - (d) Obligations of the lessor and lessee
 - (e) Remedies of the lessor and lessee
 - (f) "Huur gaat voor koop"
 - (g) Improvements to the leased property: rights, obligations and remedies

C. Aspects of suretyship and agency

Moot Court 420 (SKH 420)

Qualification	Undergraduate
Module credits	10.00
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 practicals per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Procedural Law
Period of presentation	Semester 2

Module content

* For LLB

Students who officially represent the Faculty at the annual All African Human Rights Moot Court Competition or the Phillip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition, or any other moot court competition approved by the Dean, obtain credit for Moot Court 420 during the year of official participation.

Research: Essay and seminar 410 (SKY 410)

Qualification	Undergraduate
Module credits	30.00



Programmes	LLB
Prerequisites	RHP 320
Contact time	1 lecture per week, 3 seminars per week
Language of tuition	Separate classes for Afrikaans and English
Department	Law Deans Office
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Module content

*For LLB

(a) The essay deals with a subject from the field of law.

(b) The supervisor advises final-year students of the date on which the subject of the essay must be submitted to him for approval.

(c) The head of department responsible for the subject, or a lecturer designated by him/her, acts as project leader and as examiner: Provided that the head of department may appoint an external examiner should he/she deem it necessary.

(d) Two typed, duplicated or printed copies of the essay of between 8 000 and 14 000 words (with an indication of the amount of words on the last page of the essay), must be submitted. The date when the essay must be submitted will be communicated.

Each lecturer supervises a maximum of 15 students annually. The topics chosen by these students must preferably be thematically linked. At the beginning of the year, all registered students as a group attend one compulsory lecture on the approach to and writing of an essay. Following this, each lecturer organises one seminar of two hours with his or her group of students, during which students submit the topics and basic structure of their essays.

After completion of the essays, a copy of each essay is made available to students. For this purpose, one copy must be handed in at the library, and the other at the supervisor. The lecturer then organises a further series of seminars, where each student presents his or her conclusions for the group to criticise. At these seminars, the lecturer also involves another faculty member or expert.

The evaluation is as follows:

Written document: 70%

Participation in seminar: 30%

Draft essay: 10%

Statutory crimes 410 (SMI 410)

Qualification	Undergraduate
Module credits	10.00
Programmes	LLB
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Public Law
Period of presentation	Semester 1



Module content

*For LLB

Crimes:

Capita selecta from:

- (a) Computer crimes
- (b) Liquor and drug offences
- (c) Economic offences
- (d) Sexual offences
- (e) Offences within the family and against children
- (f) Offences against animals
- (g) Offences relating to dangerous weapons, firearms and explosives
- (h) Police and prisons offences
- (i) Offences against the public safety and order
- (j) Offences against the safety of the state
- (k) Offences against the environment
- (l) Traffic offences
- (m) Minimum sentencing

Forensic criminalistics:

- (a) Components and objectives of criminal investigation
- (b) Identification, comparison and individualisation
- (c) Information-gathering through communication
- (d) Serological examinations
- (e) Odontological examinations
- (f) Dactyloscopic examinations
- (g) Trichological examinations

Sociology 110 (SOC 110)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 12.00

Programmes

[BA](#)
[BA Extended programme](#)
[BA Languages](#)
[BA Law](#)
[BIS Information Science](#)
[BPolSci International Studies](#)
[BPolSci Political Studies](#)
[BSW](#)
[BSocSci Industrial Sociology and Labour Studies](#)
[BTRP](#)
[LLB](#)

Service modules Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology
Faculty of Law

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 1 tutorial per week, 3 lectures per week



Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Sociology

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

Invitation to Sociology

How do we understand ourselves as individuals in relation to society? How are our individual life courses and large-scale processes of social and historical change related to each other? How have our societies come to be what they are today? And how can we think of our private troubles as public issues? These questions are at the very heart of sociology as a distinctive way of thinking about and understanding the social worlds that we inhabit. This module invites students to become familiar with sociological ways of thinking about current issues and personal experiences (particularly in the southern African context), and to develop the analytical skills that are necessary in order to ask and answer critical questions about the communities, society, and world that they live in. The module will include a specific emphasis on academic reading skills.

Sociology 120 (SOC 120)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 12.00

Programmes

[BA](#)
[BA Extended programme](#)
[BA Languages](#)
[BA Law](#)
[BIS Information Science](#)
[BPolSci International Studies](#)
[BPolSci Political Studies](#)
[BSW](#)
[BSocSci Industrial Sociology and Labour Studies](#)
[BTRP](#)
[LLB](#)

Service modules Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology
Faculty of Law

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 1 tutorial per week, 3 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Sociology

Period of presentation Semester 2



Module content

Thinking sociologically

Drawing from the idea of Sociology as a discipline that focuses on critical thinking, the module will introduce students to ways of questioning the obvious and the taken-for-granted. In particular, power and inequality will be problematised, with a focus on how power operates to structure racial, class and gender inequalities across institutions, ideologies and identities. The module will introduce students to the operations of power as manifested in the production of institutions, the proliferation of identities and heightened contestations among ideologies. The module will include a specific emphasis on writing skills.

Social security law 420 (SOR 420)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 10.00

Programmes [LLB](#)

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Afrikaans and English are used in one class

Department Mercantile Law

Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

- a) Scope and functions of social security
- b) Old age grants and insurance
- c) Employment injuries and unemployment insurance
- d) Sickness, invalidity and health care
- e) Child and family maintenance

Criminal procedure law 400 (SPR 400)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 15.00

Programmes [LLB](#)

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Separate classes for Afrikaans and English

Department Procedural Law

Period of presentation Year



Module content

*For LLB

- (a) The general principles of criminal procedure law in the lower courts, High Court and the High Court of Appeal of South Africa.
- (b) Drafting of pleadings
- (c) Practical application

Dissertation: Procedural Law 890 (SPR 890)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 200.00

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Procedural Law

Period of presentation Year

Thesis and oral defence: Procedural law 990 (SPR 990)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 400.00

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Procedural Law

Period of presentation Year

Socio-economic rights in the South African Constitution 802 (SRC 802)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 30.00

Programmes [LLM Constitutional and Administrative Law \(Coursework\)](#)
[LLM Environmental Law \(Coursework\)](#)
[LLM Law and Political Justice \(Coursework\)](#)
[LLM Multidisciplinary Human Rights \(Coursework\)](#)
[LLM Socio-economic Rights \(Coursework\)](#)
[MPhil Environmental Law \(Coursework\)](#)
[MPhil Multidisciplinary Human Rights \(Coursework\)](#)

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Public Law

Period of presentation Semester 1 or Semester 2



Module content

An analysis of the theory and practice of constitutional socio-economic rights in South Africa, with a specific focus on litigation and legal activism in this respect.

Socio-economic rights under comparative and international law 801 (SRI 801)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 30.00

Programmes [LLM International Law \(Coursework\)](#)
[LLM Multidisciplinary Human Rights \(Coursework\)](#)
[LLM Socio-economic Rights \(Coursework\)](#)
[MPhil Multidisciplinary Human Rights \(Coursework\)](#)

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Centre for Human Rights

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

- (a) Protection of socio-economic rights in other domestic jurisdictions, in particular in Africa
- (b) Introduction to international human rights law
- (c) Socio-economic rights in the UN human rights system
- (d) Socio-economic rights in the African human rights system
- (e) Socio-economic rights in the European human rights system
- (f) Socio-economic rights in the Inter-American human rights system
- (g) Socio-economic rights in other emerging regional human rights systems

Sports law 801 (SRP 801)

Qualification Postgraduate

Module credits 30.00

Programmes [LLM Private Law \(Coursework\)](#)

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Procedural Law

Period of presentation Semester 1



Module content

- (a) Aspects of sport contracts
- (b) Employment law issues in sport
- (c) Liability for sport injuries
- (d) Commercial rights
- (e) Doping in sport
- (f) Aspects of constitutional law

Sports law 420 (SRR 420)

Qualification	Undergraduate
Module credits	10.00
Programmes	LLB
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Procedural Law
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Module content

*For LLB

- (a) Delictual liability
- (b) Contractual liability
- (c) Criminal liability
- (d) Diverse aspects arising from sports

Aspects of criminal and criminal procedural law pertaining to children 802 (SSK 802)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Module credits	30.00
Programmes	LLM Child Law (Coursework)
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Private Law
Period of presentation	Semester 2



Module content

Capita selecta from any of the following:

- (a) Crimes against children
- (b) The child as witness
- (c) The child as perpetrator
- (d) Child pornography
- (e) Trafficking in children
- (f) Aspects of psychology and/or criminology regarding crimes against children

Dissertation: Criminal law 890 (STR 890)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Module credits	200.00
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Public Law
Period of presentation	Year

General principles of income tax 801 (TAX 801)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Module credits	30.00
Programmes	LLM Tax Law (Coursework)
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Mercantile Law
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Module content

- a. The basic principles pertaining to gross income
- b. Specific inclusions in gross income – interest, royalties, etc
- c. General principles pertaining to deductible expenses
- d. Examples of allowable and non-allowable deductions – rent, improvements, royalties, etc
- e. Capita selecta pertaining to income tax

Tax administration - an international perspective 802 (TAX 802)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Module credits	30.00
Programmes	LLM Tax Law (Coursework)
Prerequisites	TAX 801



Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Mercantile Law
Period of presentation	Semester 1 or Semester 2

Module content

- a. The impact of the Constitution on tax law;
- b. Dispute resolution
- c. Tax administration issues within a global context

Indirect tax 803 (TAX 803)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Module credits	30.00
Programmes	LLM Tax Law (Coursework)
Prerequisites	TAX 801
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Mercantile Law
Period of presentation	Semester 2

Module content

- a. The basic working of VAT
- b. Output tax
- c. Input tax
- d. Exempt supplies
- e. Zero-rated supplies
- f. Adjustments in respect of change of use
- g. e-commerce and tax
- h. Customs duty and excise tax.

Advanced transnational business law 802 (TBL 802)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Module credits	30.00
Programmes	LLM International Law (Coursework) LLM Mercantile Law (Coursework)
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Mercantile Law



Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

- a. International contracts including transport contracts and insurance contracts for goods in international transactions
- b. Methods of payment in international contracts
- c. Settling of disputes regarding international transactions: judicial and extra-judicial (international commercial arbitration)
- d. International trade organisations
- e. Foreign investments and financing

Transnational business law 420 (TBR 420)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 10.00

Programmes LLB

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Afrikaans and English are used in one class

Department Mercantile Law

Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

*For LLB

- (a) International contracts of sale
- (b) International contracts of carriage
- (c) Insurance contracts in international transactions

Trusts and estates 410 (TBS 410)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 10.00

Programmes LLB

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Private Law

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

*For LLB

- (a) Aspects of trust law
- (b) Aspects of administration of deceased estates



International take-overs and reorganisations 802 (TOR 802)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Module credits	30.00
Programmes	LLM Corporate Law (Coursework)
Prerequisites	Must pass an entrance test
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Mercantile Law
Period of presentation	Semester 1 or Semester 2

Module content

This module deals with aspects of the following topics:

- (a) South African take-overs and reorganisations
- (b) International (USA and EU) take-overs and reorganisations
- (c) Competition law

Academic orientation 104 (UPO 104)

Qualification	Undergraduate
Module credits	0.00
Programmes	LLB
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Law Deans Office
Period of presentation	Year

Consumer protection 220 (VBB 220)

Qualification	Undergraduate
Module credits	15.00
Programmes	BCom Law LLB
Service modules	Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	3 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Mercantile Law
Period of presentation	Semester 2



Module content

*For LLB and BCom specialising in law

- (a) Basic principles of the National Credit Act 34 of 2005
- (b) Aspects regarding the law applicable to credit agreements
- (c) Basic principles of the Consumer Protection Act 68 of 2008

Payment methods 320 (VHD 320)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 10.00

Programmes BCom Law
LLB

Service modules Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Separate classes for Afrikaans and English

Department Mercantile Law

Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

*For LLB and BCom specialising in Law

- (a) Elements of negotiability; the bill of exchange, cheque and promissory note; parties to bills, cheques and notes
- (b) Requirements for validity, negotiation, holdership and acceptance
- (c) The banker-client relationship; crossings and additions to crossings; the legal position of the drawee and collecting bank
- (d) Electronic payment methods

Social welfare law 110 (WRG 110)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 7.00

Programmes BSW

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Private Law

Period of presentation Semester 1



Module content

This module is designed to introduce students to some of the legal aspects of particular importance to social workers. The module includes the following components: An introduction to law in general including an overview of the sources of law, the South African court system, the legal profession, legal aid and the procedural law; the law of persons, with specific reference to the commencement and termination of legal subjectivity and the legal status of a person; an introduction to the criminal law and punishment and the role of the social worker in the criminal process.

Social welfare law 120 (WRG 120)

Qualification Undergraduate

Module credits 7.00

Programmes [BSW](#)

Prerequisites WRG 110 GS

Contact time 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Private Law

Period of presentation Semester 2

Module content

This module is a continuation of the first module in social welfare law which aims to familiarise students with certain aspects of the law of particular importance to social workers. The module consists of the following components: an introduction to the matrimonial law, the matrimonial property law and the divorce law; parental authority including aspects such as the acquisition, nature, content and interference with parental authority; the role of the social worker in the family law context.

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