



Faculty Resolutions relating to the Bachelor of Laws (LLB)

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[Section 1]

1. Units of study

- 1.1 A unit of study consists of such lectures, seminars, tutorials, written assignments, moots, experiential learning, and any other method of instruction or assessment as may be prescribed by the Faculty.
- 1.2 A prerequisite unit of study means a unit of study which must have been completed with a result of Pass or better prior to a candidate enrolling in another unit of study for which it is a prerequisite.
- 1.3 A corequisite unit of study means a unit of study which must be taken concurrently with the unit of study for which it is a corequisite.
- 1.4 The Dean or Associate Dean (Undergraduate) may vary the entry requirements for units of study for particular candidates in special circumstances.
- 1.5 All units of study for the degree will be of semester length.
- 1.6 No unit of study may be credited more than once for the degree.
- 1.7 All optional units of study are worth ~~eight~~ ~~six~~ credit points. The compulsory units of study total 96 credit points. The credit points for each compulsory unit of study are as indicated in the *Requirements for the pass degree*.
- 1.8 The units of study which may be taken for the degree are as set out in the *Table of undergraduate units of study* including:
- 1.8.1 Corequisites and prerequisites;
- 1.8.2 Designation as Part 1 or Part 2 units of study.
- 1.9 A unit of study includes a unit of study set out in the *Table of undergraduate units of study* completed in a summer school or like program at the University of Sydney.
- 1.10 *Compulsory undergraduate units of study*
- 1.10.1 The following units of study are compulsory for the degree (total 96 credit points):
- 1.10.1.1 Administrative Law
- 1.10.1.2 Contracts
- 1.10.1.3 Corporate Law
- 1.10.1.4 Criminal Law
- 1.10.1.5 Equity
- 1.10.1.6 Evidence
- 1.10.1.7 Federal Constitutional Law
- 1.10.1.8 Foundations of Law
- 1.10.1.9 Introduction to Property and Commercial Law
- 1.10.1.10 International Law
- 1.10.1.11 Legal Research I
- 1.10.1.12 Legal Research II
- ~~1.10.1.13~~ ~~Litigation~~
- 1.10.1.13 Processes of Justice
- 1.10.1.14 Public Law
- 1.10.1.15 Real Property
- 1.10.1.16 The Legal Profession
- 1.10.1.17 Torts
- 1.10.1.18 Torts and Contracts II
- 1.11 *Optional units of study*
- 1.11.1 The optional units of study are listed in Section 2.

2. Requirements for the pass degree

- 2.1 To qualify for the degree of Bachelor of Laws (LLB), candidates must complete units of study to the value of 144 credit points, made up of the following:
- 2.1.1 96 credit points of the compulsory units of study,
- 2.1.2 48 credit points of the optional units of study that must include;
- 2.1.2.1 a maximum of ~~40~~ ~~2~~ credit points from the units of study listed in Part 1 of the *Table of undergraduate units of study*, and

- 2.1.2.2 a minimum of ~~eight~~ ~~six~~ credit points from the units of study listed in Part 2 of the *Table of undergraduate units of study*.
- 2.2.1 A student may proceed concurrently to the degree of Bachelor of Laws (LLB) with the following:

- 2.2.1.1 Bachelor of Arts
- 2.2.1.2 Bachelor of Arts (Media and Communications)
- 2.2.1.3 Bachelor of Commerce
- 2.2.1.4 Bachelor of Economic and Social Sciences
- 2.2.1.5 Bachelor of Economics
- 2.2.1.6 Bachelor of Engineering
- 2.2.1.7 Bachelor of International Studies, or
- 2.2.1.8 Bachelor of Science.

2.2.2 This is ~~a~~ ~~the~~ Combined Law program.

- 2.3.1 Candidates in a Combined Law Program may credit the following subjects to both the Bachelor of Laws (LLB) and the non-law component of the Combined Law program:

- 2.3.1.1 Foundations of Law
- 2.3.1.2 Torts
- 2.3.1.3 Legal Research I
- 2.3.1.4 Contracts
- 2.3.1.5 Torts and Contracts II
- 2.3.1.6 Processes of Justice
- 2.3.1.7 ~~The Legal Profession~~ Public Law
- 2.3.1.8 Criminal Law
- 2.3.1.9 International Law
- 2.3.1.10 ~~Torts and Contracts II~~ Legal Research II

- 2.3.2 Candidates in Combined Law must complete the law units of study in the following sequence:

Year	Unit of study	Credit points
Combined Law 1	Foundations of Law	6
	Legal Research I	0
	Torts	6
Combined Law 2	Processes of Justice	6
	Contracts	6
	Criminal Law	6
Combined Law 3	Torts and Contracts II	6
	Public Law	6
	Legal Research II	0
Combined Law 2 or 3	International Law	6

- 2.4 On completion of the requirements for the degree of Bachelor of Laws and Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Arts (Media & Communications), Bachelor of Commerce, Bachelor of Economics, Bachelor of Economic and Social Sciences, Bachelor of Engineering, Bachelor of International Studies or Bachelor of Science, candidates must then complete the following units of study in the following sequence (except as provided in Clause 2.10);

Year	Unit of study	Credit points
Combined Law 4	Introduction to Property and Commercial Law	6
	Federal Constitutional Law	6
	Administrative Law	6
	The Legal Profession	6
	Real Property	6
	Corporate Law	6
	Equity	6

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Year	Unit of study	Credit points
	Evidence	6
Combined Law 5	Optional units of study selected from Part 1 and Part 2	48

- 2.5 Except with the permission of the Dean or Associate Dean (Undergraduate), candidates in a Combined Law program must successfully complete Foundations of Law before enrolling in any other Bachelor of Laws units of study.
- 2.6 Candidates enrolled in the Bachelor of Engineering/Bachelor of Laws or the Bachelor of Arts (Media and Communications)/Bachelor of Laws must take the Combined Law 4 program in the fifth year of the combined degree and the Combined Law 5 program in the sixth year of the combined degree.
- 2.7 Candidates in a Combined Law program are under the general supervision of the other Faculty in which they are enrolled until the end of the semester in which they complete the requirements of the other degree. After that, they will be under the general supervision of the Faculty of Law.
- 2.8.1 Candidates may be admitted to the Bachelor of Laws on the basis of having completed the requirements of a degree of The University of Sydney, or other such institution as approved by the Faculty.
- 2.8.2 This is the Graduate Law program
- 2.9 Candidates in the Graduate Law Program must complete the Bachelor of Laws degree in the following sequence:

Year	Unit of study	Credit points
Graduate Law 1	Foundations of Law	6
	Torts	6
	Contracts	6
	Processes of Justice	6
	Legal Research I	0
	Criminal Law	6
	Torts and Contracts II	6
	Public Law	6
	International Law	6
	Legal Research II	0
Graduate Law 2	Introduction to Property and Commercial Law	6
	Federal Constitutional Law	6
	Administrative Law	6
	The Legal Profession	6
	Real Property	6
	Equity	6
	Evidence	6
Graduate Law 3	Corporate Law	6
	optional units of study selected from Part 1 and Part 2	48

- 2.10 Candidates are normally enrolled in ~~three~~ four compulsory units of study in Semester 1 of Combined Law 4/Graduate Law 2, and in ~~three~~ four compulsory units of study in Semester 2 of that same year.
- 2.10.1 If candidates so elect, they may replace one compulsory unit with one optional unit in each semester.
- 2.10.2 Where such a replacement has occurred, candidates must enrol in the postponed compulsory unit (s) in the final year of their candidature.
- 3. **Requirements for honours degrees**
- 3.1 Honours in the Bachelor of Laws may be awarded in two classes: Class I and Class II.
- 3.2 To qualify for the award of honours in the Bachelor of Laws (Honours) a student must obtain the following WAM across all

Law units, including those taken as part of the combined award course and any failures:

- 3.2.1 First class honours are awarded to students who obtain an average mark of 75 per cent or higher (weighted in accordance with the credit points for each unit of study).
- 3.2.2 Second class honours are awarded to students who obtain an average mark of between 70 per cent and 74.9 per cent (weighted in accordance with the credit points for each unit of study).
- 3.3 Students who qualify for the award of first class honours, and whose work is of outstanding merit in the opinion of the Faculty, may be considered for the award of a University medal.
- 3.4 An honours year is not required.

[Section 2]

- 1.1 The compulsory units of study which are to be counted towards the Bachelor of Laws degree are listed in Section 1 of the resolutions.
- 1.2 The optional units of study are as follows:

Unit of study	Pre/corequisite
<i>Part 1</i>	
Advanced Administrative Law	P: Administrative Law
Advanced Constitutional Law	P: Federal Constitutional Law
Advanced Contracts	P: Contracts
Advanced Corporate Law	P: Corporate Law
Advanced Public International Law	P: International Law
Advanced Real Property	P: Real Property
Advanced Torts	P: Torts
Advocacy, Interviewing and Negotiation	C: Litigation
Amicus Litigation Clinic	
Anti-Discrimination Law	
Aspects of Legal History	
Banking and Financial Instruments	
Business Taxation	P: Personal Taxation
Chinese Laws and Chinese Legal Systems	
Clinical Environmental Law	P: Environmental Law
Comparative Law	
Comparative Commercial Contracts	P: Contracts
Competition Law	
Contemporary Issues in Health Law	
Conveyancing	P: Real Property
Death and Inheritance Law	
Dispute Resolution	
Employment and Industrial Law	P: Federal Constitutional Law; Contracts
Environmental Law	
External Placement Program	
Family Law	
Forced Migration: Law and Ethics	C: International Law
Gender and Constitution Making: History and Practice	P: Federal Constitutional Law
High Court of Australia	P: Federal Constitutional Law
Independent Research Project	
Indigenous People and the Law	
Intellectual Property	
International Human Rights Law	P: International Law
Internet Law	
Introduction to Vietnamese Law	
Japanese Law	
Jessup International Law Moot	P: International Law
Law and Commercial Transactions	P: Contracts; Equity; Real Property
Law at Work	P: Employment and Industrial Law
Media Law	
Medical Law	



Unit of study	Pre/corequisite
Migration Law	P: Administrative Law
Personal Taxation	
Policing Crime and Society	P: Criminology
Practising in the Public Interest	
Private International Law	P: International Law
Product Liability Law	P: Contracts; Torts
Regulation of Financial Markets	P: Corporate Law; Equity; Administrative Law
Roman Law	
Securities Regulation	P: Corporate Law
Social Security Law	
Sydney Law Review	
Seminar*	
<i>Part 2</i>	
Comparative Constitutionalism	
Criminology	
Fundamental Principles of the Philosophy and Sociology of Law	P: Federal Constitutional Law
Health Law Jurisprudence	
International and Comparative Jurisprudence	
Law and Economics	
Law and Gender	
Law and Sexuality	
Law and Social Theory	
Law, Communications, Culture and Global Economies	
Law, Ethics and Personhood	
Legal Geographies	P: Administrative Law; Federal Constitutional Law; Real Property
Post Communist Law and Legal Theory	
Sociological Jurisprudence	
The Holocaust: Moral Responsibility and the Rule of Law	
Theories of Justice	
Theories of Legal Reasoning	
* Seminar (Seminar units of study may be offered with the approval of the Pro-Dean (Teaching Programs) to bring together research interests of staff and students, or to permit a visiting staff member to teach in their area of expertise.)	

- 1.3.1 Students satisfy the compulsory jurisprudence requirement of the Bachelor of Laws degree by completing at least one **eight** ~~six~~ credit point unit from Part 2 of the Optional Table.
- 1.3.2 A unit may be included in Part 2 if a focus on legal theory is the unit's primary educational goal.
- 1.3.3 If a focus on the area of law itself is the primary educational goal, the unit should be placed in Part 1.
- 2. Enrolment in more/less than minimum load**
- 2.1 Except with the permission of the Dean or Associate Dean (Undergraduate), candidates may not enrol in more than 24 credit points in a semester.
- 2.2 Except with the permission of the Dean or Associate Dean (Undergraduate) candidates may not enrol in less than **16** ~~18~~ credit points in a semester.
- 2.3 A student may not enrol in more than two units of study in any one summer or winter session.
- 2.4 Except with the permission of the Dean or Associate Dean (Undergraduate), candidates may not enrol in a unit of study after the degree requirements of 144 credit points have been completed.
- 3. Cross-institutional study**
- 3.1 The Dean or Associate Dean (Undergraduate) may permit candidates to enrol in a unit of study at another tertiary institution and have that unit of study credited to the

requirements of the Bachelor of Laws degree at the University of Sydney.

- 3.2 Applications to enrol cross-institutionally as per 3.1 will only be considered if:
- 3.2.1 the student has already completed 48 credit points towards the Bachelor of Laws degree;
- 3.2.2 the student is seeking credit towards optional units in Part 1 only. Students are not permitted to undertake compulsory units of study or optional units that satisfy the Part 2 requirement on a cross-institutional basis;
- 3.2.3 the content of the unit of study is not taught in any corresponding unit available at the University of Sydney or the student is unable for good reason to attend a corresponding unit at the University of Sydney;
- 3.2.4 the student satisfies the usual progression rules, and the maximum enrolment requirements;
- 3.2.5 the student has not exceeded, or will not exceed in any particular application, the maximum limit of 24 credit points of unspecified credit for all cross-institutional study.
- 4. Restriction on enrolment**
- 4.1 A student who has completed a unit of study towards the requirements of a Bachelor Laws degree may not re-enrol in that unit of study.
- 4.2 A student may not enrol in any unit of study which overlaps substantially in content with a unit of study already completed, or, for which credit or exemption has been granted towards the degree requirements.
- 4.3 A student may not enrol concurrently in another award course except where a combined law student is completing the requirements of their Arts, **Arts (Media & Communications)**, Commerce, Economics, Economic and Social Sciences, International Studies, Engineering or Science degree.
- 5. Discontinuation of Enrolment**
- 5.1 A student seeking a total discontinuation of enrolment in a degree must lodge a change of candidature form with the Faculty of Law by the relevant census date.
- 5.2 Students seeking to re-enrol must apply to Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) and be reselected for admission in competition with other applicants, and will be subject to the admission criteria of the Faculty at the time.
- 5.3 Except with the permission of the Dean or Associate Dean (Undergraduate) candidates may not enrol in a unit of study after the degree requirements of 144 credit points have been completed. Students wishing to undertake units of study additional to award course requirements must enrol as a non-award student.
- 6. Suspension of candidature (faculty procedures for readmission)**
- 6.1 Candidates must re-enrol each calendar year unless the Dean or Associate Dean (Undergraduate) has permitted a suspension of candidature.
- 6.2 A student's candidature lapses if they do not re-enrol after an approved suspension of candidature, or they do not seek appropriate approval for a leave of absence.
- 6.3 Students seeking to suspend their candidature must do so by submitting a change of candidature form to the Faculty Office by the relevant census date.
- 6.4 A student whose candidature lapses must re-apply to the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) and be reselected for admission in competition with other applicants, and will be subject to the admission criteria of the Faculty at the time.
- 6.5.1 Students are entitled to suspend their law candidature for one year.
- 6.5.2 The Associate Dean (Undergraduate) may permit a further suspension of one year.
- 6.5.3 However, suspensions exceeding two years in total will not be approved except in cases of serious illness or misadventure.
- 6.6 Students will not be permitted to suspend in order to undertake another award course, unless the student can provide evidence that the award course can be completed within two years and the student has not previously suspended.
- 7. Re-enrolment after an absence**
- 7.1 A student wishing to re-enrol after an approved suspension must notify the Faculty in writing in October of the year preceding enrolment.
- 8. Satisfactory progress**
- 8.1 The Faculty will require candidates to show good cause why they should be permitted to re-enrol in the Faculty of Law if



- they have not made satisfactory progress towards fulfilling the requirements of the degree.
- 8.2 Candidates who do not pass at least 24 credit points in any year of enrolment shall not have made satisfactory progress except when fewer than 24 credit points are required to complete the degree.
- 8.3 Candidates who fail a unit of study more than once shall not have made satisfactory progress.
- 8.4 Where the Faculty permits the re-enrolment of candidates whose progress has been unsatisfactory, the Faculty may require the completion of specified units of study or a specified number of credit points in a specified time.
- 8.5 Candidates who fail to comply with these conditions shall not have made satisfactory progress.
- 8.6 Candidates must complete the requirements for the degree within ten calendar years of admission to candidature.
9. **Time limit**
- 9.1 A time limit of 10 years for completion of the Bachelor of Laws degree applies to both graduate and combined law students. This time limit is, however, subject to the Faculty's rules on minimum progression and suspension of candidature.
- 9.2 Combined law students should note that the time limit of 10 years also applies to the completion of all the requirements of their Arts, Arts (Media & Communications), Commerce, Economics, Economic and Social Sciences, International Studies, Engineering and Science degrees.
10. **Assessment policy**
- 10.1 Candidates are required to attend at least 70 per cent of the scheduled classes in each unit of study for which they are enrolled.
- 10.2 Candidates whose attendance record falls below this level without reasonable excuse may be precluded by the Dean or Pro-Dean (Teaching Programs) from taking the final assessment in that unit of study.
- 10.3 Candidates may be assessed by written and oral examinations, exercises, essays, class participation, mooting, a supervised research project, or practical work, or any combination of these as the Faculty may determine.
- 10.4.1 The Dean or Associate Dean (Undergraduate) may permit further assessment in a unit of study in cases of special consideration, in accordance with Academic Board policy governing illness and misadventure, provided that such assessment can be completed within 14 days following the end of the examination period, and no later than that.
- 10.4.2 Only in exceptional circumstances, and only with the permission of the Dean, will further assessment be allowed to be undertaken after this 14 day period.
11. **Credit transfer policy**
- 11.1 A minimum of 96 credit points must have been studied at the University of Sydney in order to qualify for the degree.
- 11.2 Candidates may be granted credit for up to 48 credit points for units of study completed during a previous candidature in an award course of the University of Sydney or at an equivalent institution approved by the Faculty.
- 11.3 Non-specific credit may be granted for up to 24 of these 48 credit points for units of study not sufficiently related to units of study in Part 1 or Part 2 of the *Table of undergraduate units of study* which form part of a Bachelor of Laws degree, or its equivalent in another jurisdiction, or which otherwise relate to the study of Law.
- 11.4 A candidate will not be granted credit toward the degree for any units of study;
- 11.4.1 for which the result is a Terminating Pass, Conceded Pass or the equivalent;
- 11.4.2 which were completed more than nine years before admission to candidature for the degree;
- 11.4.3 undertaken in the Bachelor of Arts and Sciences degree at the University of Sydney.
- 11.5 Candidates will not be granted credit toward the degree for any units of study which have been relied upon to qualify for another degree or academic qualification except for units of study which were taken as part of a combined law degree program and credited to the non-law degree component of that program.
- 11.6 Candidates who have completed a law degree or an equivalent professional legal qualification from a recognised institution outside Australia may be granted up to 48 credit points of non-specific credit.
12. **Transitional provisions**
- 12.1 All candidates who enrolled first in a Combined Law degree prior to 1 January 2007 will proceed under the resolutions in place when they commenced the degree, except as provided below.
- 12.2 All candidates who first enrolled in a Graduate Law degree prior to 1 January 2008 will proceed under the resolutions in place when they commenced the degree, except as provided below.
- 12.3 All candidates who first enrolled in Combined Law prior to January 1 2007, and who had completed no more than Foundations of Law, Torts and Legal Research prior to 1 January 2007 (or are given credit for these units of study), will be transferred to these degree resolutions.
- 12.4 If they have completed Legal Research, then they will be given credit for Legal Research II. In the event of any inconsistency between the 2004 resolutions for the Bachelor of Laws degree and these resolutions, these resolutions shall apply.
- 12.5 All candidates who first enrolled in Graduate Law prior to January 1 2008, and who had completed no more than Foundations of Law, Torts and Legal Research prior to 1 January 2007 (or are given credit for these units of study), will be transferred to these degree resolutions.
- 12.6 If they have completed Legal Research, then they will be given credit for Legal Research II. In the event of any inconsistency between the 2004 resolutions for the Bachelor of Laws degree and these resolutions, these resolutions shall apply.
- 12.7 All students who commenced this degree in 2006 (Combined Law) and 2008 (Graduate Law) shall complete under these resolutions.
13. **Variation of requirements for the degree**
- 13.1 The Dean may vary these resolutions for a particular candidate in exceptional circumstances.