PRACTICAL LEGAL TRAINING

Students who wish to practise law have to undertake practical legal training following their Diploma in Law or degree course. The focus is the day to day work that is done by legal practitioners, and teaching often takes place in the environment of a law firm, whether simulated or through a placement program. Flexible study modes are offered, from full and part-time to electronic courses.

Since the cost of practical training is relatively high, it is prudent to plan ahead if this is your intended career path.

Those wishing to become barristers undertake a reading program. The program is an intensive introduction to professional life as a barrister. Details are available from the website of the Bar Association of New South Wales: www.nswbar.asn.au

Practical Legal Training providers in NSW are listed in the LPAB’s website www.lawlink.nsw.gov.au/lpab.

MASTER OF LAWS

Senate Resolution 26 for the degree of Master of Laws at the University of Sydney provides that a person who has completed with sufficient merit all of the examinations for the Diploma in Law may be admitted to candidature for the degree of Master of Laws. Admission is not automatic, and only persons with a very good record are considered for admission.

Senate Resolution 2(b) for the degrees of Master of Criminology, Master of Environmental Law, Master of Jurisprudence, Master of Labour Law and Relations, and Master of Taxation at the University of Sydney provides that a person may be admitted to candidature for the corresponding degrees if he or she is qualified for admission to candidature for the degree of Master of Laws. Please contact the University of Sydney Law School for more information regarding the Master of Laws program.

PRIVATE TUITION

A number of persons and organisations offer private tuition to students undertaking the course. No person or organisation offering private tuition is an agent of, or is endorsed by, the Law Extension Committee or the Legal Profession Admission Board for the purposes of private tuition in relation to the Board’s examinations.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

The University is concerned about personal safety. Use well-lit and populated areas. The emergency security number for the main campus is (02) 9351 3333, or 1800 063 487 (free call).

The University Health Service number is (02) 9351 4095.

Under the University’s Policy on Smoking in the Workplace, all workplaces within the University are non-smoking areas, including:

(a) all enclosed areas in general use by large numbers of people, including lecture theatres, tutorial rooms, meeting rooms and libraries;
(b) all lobbies, foyers and vestibules;
(c) all offices, laboratories and workshops;
(d) all common rooms, tea rooms and staff rooms; and
(e) all University-owned vehicles and boats.

In addition, smoking is banned near air intakes, external doors in regular use and windows regularly opened.

STUDENT FEEDBACK

The Board is keen to receive feedback from its students about any aspect of the course and its administration. If you have any suggestions which you think will help the Board to improve the course or the way in which it is managed, please let us know by sending an email to lpabfeedback@agd.nsw.gov.au