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The Degree of Bachelor of Laws – LLB

The regulations for this degree are to be read in conjunction with all other relevant statutes and regulations including the Academic Statutes and Regulations.

Note: This is a limited entry programme as per the Limitation of Entry Statute 1991 and selection criteria apply. Selection criteria are available from the Faculty of Law.

Duration and Total Points Value

- 1 A student enrolled for this degree must follow a programme of the equivalent of eight full-time semesters and pass courses with a total value of 480 points, unless credit is granted under the Admission Regulations and/or the Credit Regulations.

Structure and Content

- 2 Of the 480 points required for this degree, a student must pass Part I, including LAW 121G and the relevant Waipapa Taumata Rau course, and Parts, II, III and IV as listed in the Bachelor of Laws Schedule.
- 3
 - a Except as permitted under Regulation 9, a student may not enrol for Part II unless Part I has been completed.
 - b Each student must pass Parts II, III and IV in the order set out in the Bachelor of Laws Schedule unless approval to vary the order is given by the Dean of Faculty of Law.

Note: A student completing Part II will be permitted to commence Part III concurrently, subject to prerequisites and points limits.

- 4 A student who is required to meet the Academic English Language Requirement, as specified in the Enrolment and Programme Regulations, Academic English Language Requirement, of the *University Calendar*, may substitute an academic English language course approved by the Associate Dean Academic for Law for 15 points of General Education.

Written Work and Practical Requirements

- 5 In order to complete the requirements of LAW 400 or LAW 499 under Regulation 2 above, a student must carry out such legal research assignments and practical application of the law as the Faculty of Law may require.

Conjoint Degrees

- 6 Special arrangements apply where this degree is taken as a component degree of an approved conjoint degree programme. The specific requirements and a complete list of the conjoint degrees available are set out in the Conjoint Degrees section of the *University Calendar*.

Graduate Admission

- 7 A student who is a graduate or graduand of any university in New Zealand, or who is granted admission *ad eundem statum* with graduate status under the Admission Regulations, may be granted credit of up to 75 points towards LLB Part I. Such a student will normally be required to pass satisfactorily LAW 121G, 131 and 141 before applying for admission to LLB Part II.

Notes:

- (i) Admission to Part II will be subject to selection, according to the approved selection criteria.
- (ii) In exceptional circumstances the Dean of Faculty of Law may permit a graduate or graduand to be admitted directly to LLB Part II without having passed LAW 121G, 131 and 141, provided that the applicant has demonstrated to the satisfaction of the Dean an aptitude for legal studies, and provided that LAW 121G, 131 and 141 are taken concurrently with the Part II course(s).

Courses from Other Programmes

- 8
 - a In place of elective Law courses totalling not more than 45 points for this degree, a student may take courses at Stage II or above offered for other programmes at this University, if they are related to the student's Law studies and approved by the Dean of Faculty of Law.
 - b While approval of such courses is normally given before enrolment, the Dean of Faculty of Law may in special cases apply this provision to courses previously passed for another programme. Where the Dean approves such courses, they are to be reassigned from that other programme to this degree.

Research Papers

- 9 a With the prior approval of the teacher of the course and the Dean of Faculty of Law, a student enrolled for this degree may elect to present a research paper in lieu of an examination in any elective law course.
- b This regulation applies also to a student taking any elective Law course or courses for any degree other than this, or for any diploma or for a Certificate or Certificates of Proficiency.

Variations

- 10 In exceptional circumstances the Programme Director may approve a variation to a student's personal programme of study in accordance with the Enrolment and Programme Regulations.

Amendment

- 11 These regulations and/or schedule have been amended with effect from 1 January 2025.

Bachelor of Laws (LLB) Schedule

Requirement:

Part I

120 points including:

- 45 points: LAW 121 or 121G, 131, 141
- 15 points from the approved Waipapa Taumata Rau course from the other component of their conjoint degree for students enrolled in a conjoint programme or 15 points from a Waipapa Taumata Rau course approved by the Associate Dean Academic for students not enrolled in a conjoint programme
- 60 points from courses prescribed for one other undergraduate degree programme at this University

Note: A student enrolling in LLB Part I will, in respect of the courses other than LAW 121G, 131 and 141, be required to enrol in the degree of the University of Auckland for which such courses are prescribed or available.

Part II

- 130 points: LAW 201, 211, 231, 241, 298

Part III

- 55 points: LAW 301, 306, 316
- 15 points: LAW 410
- 55 points from COMLAW 303, 304, LAW 456, 458, LAWCOMM 400-477, LAWENVIR 401-421, 426-436, LAWGENRL 400, 406-472, LAWPUBL 400-483

Part IV

- LAW 498
 - 105 points from COMLAW 303, 304, LAW 456, 458, LAWCOMM 400-477, LAWENVIR 401-421, 426-436, LAWGENRL 400, 406-472, LAWPUBL 400-483
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The Degree of Bachelor of Laws (Honours) – LLB(Hons)

The regulations for this degree are to be read in conjunction with all other relevant statutes and regulations including the Academic Statutes and Regulations.

Admission

- 1 a No student on whom the Degree of Bachelor of Laws has already been conferred may enrol for this degree.
- b At the discretion of the Dean of Faculty of Law, a student who has completed Parts I and II for the Degree of Bachelor of Laws may be permitted to enrol for this degree.
- c Where the Faculty of Law approves enrolment for the Degree of Bachelor of Laws (Honours) the courses previously passed for the Degree of Bachelor of Laws will be reassigned to the Degree of Bachelor of Laws (Honours).

Duration and Total Points Value

- 2 A student enrolled for this degree must pass courses with a total value of 540 points, unless credit is granted under the Admission Regulations and/or the Credit Regulations.

Structure and Content

- 3 Of the 540 points required for this degree, a student must pass:
 - a 480 points from the Degree of Bachelor of Laws Schedule and
 - b 60 points from courses listed in the Bachelor of Laws (Honours) Schedule.
- 4 All the provisions and requirements of the Degree of Bachelor of Laws apply also to a student enrolled for this degree, including the provisions concerning written work and practical requirements, courses in other faculties and research papers, and the General Education requirements.
- 5 A student admitted to this programme must complete the University of Auckland Academic Integrity course as specified in the Enrolment and Programme Regulations, Academic Integrity, of the *University Calendar*.

Conjoint Degrees

- 6 Special arrangements apply where this degree is taken as a component degree of an approved conjoint combination for which the specific requirements and a complete list of the conjoint degrees available are set out in the Conjoint Degrees section of the *University Calendar*.

Dissertation

- 7 a The dissertation is to be carried out under the guidance of a supervisor appointed by Senate or its representative, on the recommendation of the Dean of Faculty of Law.
- b The dissertation topic must be approved by the Dean of Faculty of Law prior to enrolment.
- c A student must enrol for the dissertation in the semester following completion of Part IV of the schedule for the Degree of Bachelor of Laws.
- d The dissertation must be completed and submitted by the last day of lectures in the semester of enrolment.
- e In exceptional circumstances beyond the student's control, Senate or its representative may approve a limited extension of time, not exceeding two months, for the completion of the dissertation. Where an extension of time is approved, students will be required to be enrolled and pay tuition fees at the rate of 10 points for each two-month period or part thereof. This will only apply when the student's current enrolment period in the course has ended.

Award of Honours

- 8 This degree will be awarded only where a student's work throughout the entire programme, inclusive of the courses required for the Degree of Bachelor of Laws, is of a sufficiently high standard, as determined by the Faculty of Law. In assessing the standard of a student's work in this programme, the courses taught by other faculties that are taken as part of Part I will not be taken into account.

Withdrawal from Honours

- 9 A student whose work does not satisfy the standard specified in Regulation 8, or who at any time chooses to withdraw from Honours, may transfer from the Degree of Bachelor of Laws (Honours) to the Degree of Bachelor of Laws. In that case the courses already passed for, or credited to, the Degree of Bachelor of Laws (Honours) may be reassigned to the Degree of Bachelor of Laws, except for any dissertation taken under Regulation 3b.

Variations

- 10 In exceptional circumstances Senate or its representative may approve a personal programme which does not conform to these regulations.

Amendment

- 11 These regulations and/or schedule have been amended with effect from 1 January 2025.

Bachelor of Laws (Honours) (LLB(Hons)) Schedule

Requirement:

- 20 points from LAWHONS 702-756

- 40 points: LAWHONS 789 Dissertation
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The Degree of Juris Doctor – JD

The regulations for this degree are to be read in conjunction with all other relevant statutes and regulations including the Academic Statutes and Regulations.

Admission

- 1 In order to be admitted to this degree, an applicant must have completed the requirements for a Bachelors degree in any discipline, except New Zealand Common Law, with a Grade Point Average of 5.0 or higher calculated across the entire duration of the degree, or have equivalent prior study.
- 2 Equivalence in Regulation 1 will be determined by the University. Equivalence pertains to the standard as well as nature and level of study.
- 3 In exceptional circumstances the requirements in Regulation 1 may be waived by the relevant Associate Dean Academic or nominee if they determine that an applicant has at least three years of relevant practical, professional or scholarly experience that provides an equivalent level of preparation.

Duration and Total Points Value

- 4 A student admitted to this degree must:
- a pass courses with a total value of 360 points
and
 - b complete within the time limit specified in the General Regulations – Masters Degrees
and
 - c not exceed 405 points for the total enrolment for this degree.

Structure and Content

- 5 A student admitted into this degree must complete:
- a the requirements as listed in the Juris Doctor Schedule
 - b the University of Auckland Academic Integrity course as specified in the Enrolment and Programme Regulations, Academic Integrity, of the *University Calendar*.

Distinction

- 6 The Juris Doctor may be awarded with Distinction or Merit in accordance with the University's General Regulations – Masters Degrees.

Variations

- 7 In exceptional circumstances the Programme Director may approve a variation to a student's programme of study in accordance with the Enrolment and Programme Regulations.

Commencement

- 8 These regulations will come into force on 1 January 2026.

Juris Doctor (JD) Schedule

Requirement:

Compulsory Courses (225 points)

- Level 8: JUR 701–713
- Level 9: JUR 791
and

Elective Courses

- 135 points of which at least 15 points must be a Level 9 course from LAWCOMM 702–797, LAWENVIR 702–785, LAWGENRL 702–785, LAWPUBL 705–785 or other 700 level courses approved by the Dean of Law
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The Degree of Master of Intellectual Property – MIP

The regulations for this degree are to be read in conjunction with all other relevant statutes and regulations including the Academic Statutes and Regulations.

Admission

- 1 In order to be admitted to this degree, an applicant must have:
- a completed the requirements for a relevant Bachelors (Honours) degree from this University with a Grade Point Average of 5.0 or higher, or have equivalent prior study
or
 - b completed the requirements for a relevant Bachelors (Honours) degree from this University with a Grade Point Average of 5.0 or higher across 60 points above Stage III
or
 - c (i) completed the requirements for a relevant Bachelors (Honours) degree from this University, or have equivalent prior study
and
(ii) passed 60 points in the Postgraduate Certificate in Intellectual Property with a Grade Point Average of 4.0 or higher, provided that the postgraduate certificate has not been awarded
or
 - d completed the requirements for the Bachelor of Laws or for the Bachelor of Laws (Honours) from this University with a Grade Point Average of 5.0 or higher, or have equivalent prior study
or
 - e completed the requirements for the Bachelor of Laws or for the Bachelor of Laws (Honours) from this University with a Grade Point Average of 5.0 or higher in 60 points above Stage III
or
 - f (i) (a) completed the requirements for a relevant Bachelors degree from this University with a Grade Point Average of 5.0 or higher, or have equivalent prior study

or

(b) completed the requirements for a relevant Bachelors degree from this University with a Grade Point Average of 5.0 or higher across 60 points above Stage II

and

(ii) at least two years of relevant practical professional experience in the field of intellectual property which demonstrates to the satisfaction of the Programme Director the student's ability to undertake the degree.

2 Equivalence and relevance in Regulation 1 will be determined by the University. Equivalence pertains to the standard as well as nature and level of study.

3 In exceptional circumstances the requirements in Regulation 1 may be waived by the relevant Associate Dean or nominee if they determine that an applicant has a Bachelors degree and relevant practical, professional or scholarly experience of an appropriate kind that is equivalent to one year of postgraduate study.

Note: A relevant bachelors degree may be in engineering, science or technology, or equivalent.

Duration and Total Points Value

4 A student admitted to this degree must:

a pass courses with a total value of 120 points

and

b complete within the time limit specified in the General Regulations – Master Degrees

and

c not exceed 160 points for the total enrolment for this degree.

Structure and Content

5 A student admitted to this degree must complete the requirements as listed in the Master of Intellectual Property Schedule.

6 Up to 30 points may, with the approval of the Programme Director, be replaced by 30 points from appropriate 700 Level courses offered at this University.

7 A student must complete the University of Auckland Academic Integrity course as specified in the Enrolment and Programme Regulations, Academic Integrity, of the *University Calendar*.

Transfer from Postgraduate Certificate in Intellectual Property

8 A student who has passed courses towards the Postgraduate Certificate in Intellectual Property may apply to reassign those courses to this degree provided the postgraduate certificate has not been awarded.

Reassignment

9 A student may apply to reassign courses passed to the Postgraduate Certificate of Intellectual Property.

Variations

10 In exceptional circumstances the Programme Director may approve a variation to a student's programme of study in accordance with the Enrolment and Programme Regulations.

Distinction/Merit

11 This degree may be awarded with Distinction or Merit in accordance with the General Regulations – Masters Degrees.

Amendment

12 These regulations and/or schedule have been amended with effect from 1 January 2025.

Master of Intellectual Property (MIP) Schedule

Requirement:

Taught Masters

- LAW 700
- 60 points: LAWCOMM 772, 793, 795, 796

- at least 30 points from LAWCOMM 782, 785, 791, 797
- up to 30 points from INFOGOV 702–709, LAWS 554 (offered at Victoria University of Wellington), LAWS 555 (offered at Victoria University of Wellington), other 700 level courses offered at this University approved by the Programme Director

The Degree of Master of Laws – LLM

The regulations for this degree are to be read in conjunction with all other relevant statutes and regulations including the Academic Statutes and Regulations.

Admission

- 1 In order to be admitted to this programme, a student must have:
 - a (i) completed the requirements for the Degree of Bachelor of Laws or for the Degree of Bachelor of Laws (Honours), or an equivalent qualification in Law as approved by Senate or its representative
or
(ii) (a) completed the requirements of a relevant qualification as approved by Senate or its representative
and
(b) been in practice as a barrister or solicitor, in New Zealand or elsewhere, for no less than two years full-time or the equivalent part-time
 - and
 - b (i) gained a Grade Point Average of 5.0 or higher in 120 points in the most advanced courses taken for the Bachelor of Laws or Bachelor of Laws (Honours) or an equivalent qualification in Law
or
(ii) passed, for a Postgraduate Diploma in Legal Studies, at least 60 points in 700 level courses, or in LAW 690 Dissertation and 700 level courses, provided that a Grade Point Average of 5.0 or higher has been achieved in such courses and/or dissertation
or
(iii) passed, for a Postgraduate Certificate in Law, at least 60 points in 700 level courses, provided that a Grade Point Average of 5.0 or higher has been achieved in these courses
or
(iv) otherwise shown to the satisfaction of Senate or its representative capacity to undertake advanced study and research in the courses proposed to be taken for this degree.

Duration and Total Points Value

- 2 A student enrolled for this degree must:
 - a pass courses with a total value of 120 points
and
 - b complete within the time limit specified in the General Regulations – Masters Degrees.
- 3 The total enrolment for this degree must not exceed 160 points.

Structure and Content

- 4 Of the 120 points required for this degree, a student must pass:

either

 - a **Research Masters**
 - (i) LAW 700
and either
 - (ii) 120 point Thesis listed in the Master of Laws Schedule
or
(iii) (a) 90 point Thesis
and
(b) 30 points from either courses or the Dissertation listed in the Master of Laws Schedule
or
(iv) 120 point Research Portfolio listed in the Master of Laws Schedule
or
(v) (a) 90 point Research Portfolio
and
(b) 30 points from either courses or the Dissertation listed in the Master of Laws Schedule
 - or
 - b **Taught Masters**
 - (i) LAW 700
and either
 - (ii) 120 points from courses listed in the Master of Laws Schedule
or
(iii) (a) 90 points from courses
and
(b) 30 point Dissertation listed in the Master of Laws Schedule.

- 5 An exemption from LAW 700 may be granted to a student who has demonstrated to the satisfaction of the Dean of Faculty of Law advanced skills in legal research methodology.
- 6 With the permission of the Dean of Faculty of Law a student may include up to 30 points from any other 700 level courses in programmes offered at this University provided they are relevant and suitable for inclusion in this degree.
- 7 Where courses, which may include a Dissertation, Research Portfolio or Thesis on a relevant topic, totalling at least 90 points are passed from one of the areas of specialisation listed in the Master of Laws Schedule, this degree may be conferred with an endorsement as to that area of specialisation.
- 8 A student admitted to this programme must complete the University of Auckland Academic Integrity course as specified in the Enrolment and Programme Regulations, Academic Integrity, of the *University Calendar*.

Transfer from Postgraduate Certificate in Law or Postgraduate Diploma in Legal Studies

- 9 A student who has passed, for a Postgraduate Certificate in Law or a Postgraduate Diploma in Legal Studies, courses that are available for this degree and is eligible to be admitted to this programme, may reassign those courses to this degree provided the Postgraduate Certificate in Law or the Postgraduate Diploma in Legal Studies have not been awarded.

Note: A student who is not a law graduate will not be eligible to transfer to this degree.

Dissertation / Thesis

- 10 a The dissertation, research portfolio or thesis is to be carried out under the guidance of a supervisor appointed by Senate or its representative, on the recommendation of the Dean of Faculty of Law.
- b The dissertation or thesis topic or the elements of the research portfolio must be approved by the Dean of Faculty of Law prior to enrolment.
- c The dissertation, research portfolio or thesis is to be completed and submitted in accordance with the General Regulations – Masters Degrees.

Distinction / Honours / Merit

- 11 This degree may be awarded with Distinction, Honours or Merit as specified in the General Regulations – Masters Degrees.

Variations

- 12 In exceptional circumstances Senate or its representative may approve a personal programme which does not conform to these regulations.

Amendment

- 13 These regulations and/or schedule have been amended with effect from 1 January 2024.

Master of Laws (LLM) Schedule	
Courses available for LLM:	
<p>Requirement:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• LAW 700 <p>and at least 90 points from</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• LAW 701, LAWCOMM 702–797, LAWENVIR 710–785, LAWGENRL 702–785, LAWPUBL 705–785• LAW 790 Dissertation• LAW 796 Thesis 1• LAW 797 Thesis 2• LAW 794 Research Portfolio 1• LAW 798 Research Portfolio 2• Up to 30 points from INFOGOV 702–709 <p>Requirement:</p> <p>Research Masters</p> <p>either</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• LAW 700• 120 points: LAW 797 Thesis 2 <p>or</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• LAW 700• 90 points: LAW 796 Thesis 1• 30 points from LAW 760, 790, LAWCOMM 702–797, LAWENVIR 710–785, LAWGENRL 702–785, LAWPUBL 705–785, INFOGOV 702–709 <p>or</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• LAW 700• LAW 794 Research Portfolio 1• 30 points from LAW 701, 760, 790, LAWCOMM 702–797, LAWENVIR 710–785, LAWGENRL 702–785, LAWPUBL 705–785, INFOGOV 702–709 <p>or</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• LAW 700• LAW 798 Research Portfolio 2 <p>Requirement:</p> <p>Taught Masters</p> <p>either</p>

- LAW 700
- at least 90 points from LAW 701, 760, 790, LAWCOMM 702-797, LAWENVIR 710-785, LAWGENRL 702-785, LAWPUBL 705-785
- up to 30 points from INFOGOV 702-709
- or
- LAW 700

- 30 points: LAW 790 Dissertation
- at least 60 points from LAW 701, 760, LAWCOMM 702-797, LAWENVIR 710-785, LAWGENRL 702-785, LAWPUBL 705-785
- up to 30 points from INFOGOV 702-709

LLM specialisations:

Corporate and Commercial Law

- LAW 701, 760, 790, LAWCOMM 702-797, LAWPUBL 707
- such other 700 level courses as the Dean of Faculty of Law approves from year to year as relevant for inclusion in this specialisation

Environmental Law

- LAW 760, 790, LAWENVIR 710-785
- such other 700 level courses as the Dean of Faculty of Law approves from year to year as relevant for inclusion in this specialisation

Human Rights Law

- LAW 760, 790, LAWGENRL 702, 712, LAWPUBL 725, 726, 732, 736, 740, 741-744, 760, 761, 770-778
- such other 700 level courses as the Dean of Faculty of Law approves from year to year as relevant for inclusion in this specialisation

International Law

- LAW 760, 790, LAWCOMM 702, 733, 738, 739, 770, 774, LAWENVIR 710, LAWGENRL 722, LAWPUBL 726, 732, 736,

743, 744-785

- such other 700 level courses as the Dean of Faculty of Law approves from year to year as relevant for inclusion in this specialisation

Litigation and Dispute Resolution

- LAW 760, 790, LAWCOMM 702, LAWGENRL 771, 772, LAWPUBL 736
- such other 700 level courses as the Dean of Faculty of Law approves from year to year as relevant for inclusion in this specialisation

Public Law

- LAW 760, 790, LAWGENRL 702, 712, 722, LAWPUBL 705-785
- such other 700 level courses as the Dean of Faculty of Law approves from year to year as relevant for inclusion in this specialisation

The Degree of Master of Legal Studies – MLS

The regulations for this degree are to be read in conjunction with all other relevant statutes and regulations including the Academic Statutes and Regulations.

Admission

- 1 In order to be admitted to this programme, a student needs to have:
 - a completed the requirements for:
 - either
 - (i) a four-year Bachelors degree from this University, or equivalent qualification as approved by Senate or its representative, with a Grade Point Average of 5.0 or higher in 60 points above Stage II, or the equivalent as approved by Senate or its representative
 - or
 - (ii) a Bachelors (Honours) degree from this University, or equivalent qualification as approved by Senate or its representative, with a Grade Point Average of 5.0 or higher in 60 points above Stage III, or the equivalent as approved by Senate or its representative
 - or
 - (iii) (a) a Bachelors degree from this University, or equivalent qualification as approved by Senate or its representative
 - and
 - (b) a postgraduate qualification equivalent to one year's advanced study, with a Grade Point Average of 5.0 or higher in 60 points, as approved by Senate or its representative
 - and
 - b shown to the satisfaction of the Dean of Faculty of Law the capacity to undertake advanced study and research in the courses proposed to be taken for this degree.
 - or
 - c (i) the Degree of Bachelor of Commerce in Commercial Law from this University, or an equivalent qualification as approved by Senate or its representative, with a Grade Point Average of 5.0 or higher

in 60 points above Stage II, or the equivalent as approved by Senate or its representative

or

- (ii) a Bachelors degree from this University, or an equivalent qualification as approved by Senate or its representative, with a Grade Point Average of 5.0 or higher in 60 points above Stage II, or the equivalent as approved by Senate or its representative

and

- d shown to the satisfaction of the Dean of Faculty of Law the capacity to undertake the courses for this degree.

Duration and Total Points Value

- 2 A student admitted to this degree under Regulation 1a must:
- a pass courses with a total value of 120 points
- and
- b complete within the time limit specified in the General Regulations – Masters Degrees
- and
- c not exceed 160 points for the total enrolment for this degree.
- 3 A student admitted to this degree under Regulation 1c must:
- a pass courses with a total value of 180 points
- and
- b complete within the time limit specified in the General Regulations – Master Degrees
- and
- c not exceed 220 points for the total enrolment for this degree.

Structure and Content

- 4 A student enrolled for this degree must complete the requirements as listed in the Master of Legal Studies Schedule.
- 5 The programme for each student requires the approval of the Dean of Faculty of Law.
- 6 An exemption from LAW 700 may be granted to a student who has demonstrated to the satisfaction of the Dean of Faculty of Law advanced skills in legal research methodology.
- 7 A student may be permitted to substitute up to 30 points from LAW 760, 790, LAWCOMM 701–790, LAWENVIR 701–785, LAWGENRL 701–785, LAWPUBL 701–785 for LAW 701 where the student has demonstrated to the satisfaction of the Dean of Faculty of Law advanced knowledge of the New Zealand legal system, its sources, structure and method.
- 8 With the permission of the Dean of Faculty of Law a student may include up to 30 points from any other 700 level courses offered at this University that are relevant and suitable for inclusion in this degree.
- 9 Where a student passes courses, which may include a Dissertation or Thesis on a relevant topic, totalling at least 90 points from one of the areas of specialisation listed in the Master of Legal Studies Schedule, this degree will be conferred with an endorsement as to that area of specialisation.
- 10 A student admitted to this programme must complete the University of Auckland Academic Integrity course as specified in the Enrolment and Programme Regulations, Academic Integrity, of the *University Calendar*.

Dissertation / Thesis

- 11 a A dissertation or thesis, when included in the programme, is to be carried out under the guidance of a supervisor appointed by Senate or its representative, on the recommendation of the Dean of Faculty of Law.
- b The dissertation or thesis topic needs the approval of the Dean of Faculty of Law prior to enrolment.
 - c The dissertation or thesis is to be completed and submitted in accordance with the General Regulations – Masters Degrees.

Transfer from Postgraduate Certificate in Law

- 12 A student who is eligible to be admitted to this degree under Regulation 1 and has passed courses towards a Postgraduate Certificate in Law that are available for this degree may reassign those courses to this degree, provided that the Postgraduate Certificate in Law has not been awarded.

Distinction / Honours / Merit

- 13 This degree may be awarded with Distinction, Honours or Merit as specified in the General Regulations – Masters Degrees.

Variations

14 In exceptional circumstances Senate or its representative may approve a personal programme which does not conform to these regulations.

Amendment

15 These regulations and/or schedule have been amended with effect from 1 January 2024.

Master of Legal Studies (MLS) Schedule

A student who has to complete 120 points must satisfy the following requirements:

Requirement:

Research Masters

- LAW 700
- 30 points: LAW 701
- 90 points: LAW 794 Research Portfolio 1 or LAW 796 Thesis 1

Taught Masters

- LAW 700

- 30 points: LAW 701
- at least 60 points from LAW 760, 790, LAWCOMM 702-797, LAWENVIR 710-785, LAWGENRL 702-785, LAWPUPL 701-785
- at least 40 points from LAW 760, 790, 792, LAWCOMM 701-797, 792, LAWENVIR 701-785, LAWGENRL 701-785, LAWPUPL 705-785
- up to 30 points from INFOGOV 702-709

A student who has to complete 180 points must satisfy the following requirements:

Requirement if admitted under Regulation 1c(i):

Research Masters

either

- LAW 700
- at least 60 points from LAW 701, 760, 790, LAWCOMM 702-797, LAWENVIR 710-785, LAWGENRL 702-785, LAWPUPL 705-785
- up to 30 points from INFOGOV 702-709
- 90 points: LAW 794 Research Portfolio 1 or LAW 796 Thesis 1
- or*
- LAW 700
- at least 30 points from LAW 701, 760, 790, LAWCOMM 702-797, LAWENVIR 710-785, LAWGENRL 702-785, LAWPUPL 705-785
- up to 30 points from INFOGOV 702-709
- 120 points: LAW 797 Thesis 2 or LAW 798 Research Portfolio 2

Taught Masters

- LAW 700
- at least 150 points from LAW 701, 760, 790, LAWCOMM 702-797, LAWENVIR 710-785, LAWGENRL 702-785, LAWPUPL 705-785, including at least 45 points from LAW 760, 790, LAWCOMM 702-775, LAWENVIR 710-785, LAWGENRL 702-785, LAWPUPL 705-785
- up to 30 Points from INFOGOV 702-709

Requirement if admitted under Regulation 1c(ii):

Research Masters

either

- LAW 700
- 30 points: LAW 701
- at least 30 points from LAW 760, 790, LAWCOMM 702-797, LAWENVIR 710-785, LAWGENRL 702-785, LAWPUPL 705-785
- up to 30 points from INFOGOV 702-709
- 90 points: LAW 794 Research Portfolio 1 or LAW 796 Thesis 1
- or*
- LAW 700
- 30 points: LAW 701
- 30 points from LAW 760, 790, LAWCOMM 702-797, LAWENVIR 710-785, LAWGENRL 702-785, LAWPUPL 705-785, INFOGOV 702-709
- 120 points: LAW 797 Thesis 2 or LAW 798 Research Portfolio 2

Taught Masters

- LAW 700
- 30 points: LAW 701
- at least 120 points from LAW 760, 790, LAWCOMM 702-797, LAWENVIR 710-785, LAWGENRL 702-785, LAWPUPL 705-785, including at least 45 points from LAW 760, 790, LAWCOMM 702-797, LAWENVIR 710-785, LAWGENRL 702-785, LAWPUPL 705-785
- up to 30 points from INFOGOV 702-709

MLS Specialisations:

Corporate and Commercial Law

- LAW 701, 760, 790, LAWCOMM 702-797, LAWPUPL 707
- such other 700 level courses as the Dean of Faculty of Law approves from year to year as relevant for inclusion in this specialisation

Environmental Law

- LAW 760, 790, LAWENVIR 710-785
- such other 700 level courses as the Dean of Faculty of Law approves from year to year as relevant for inclusion in this specialisation

Human Rights Law

- LAW 760, 790, LAWGENRL 702, 712, LAWPUPL 725, 726, 732, 736, 740-744, 760, 761, 770-778
- such other 700 level courses as the Dean of Faculty of Law approves from year to year as relevant for inclusion in this specialisation

International Law

- LAW 760, 790, LAWCOMM 702, 733, 738, 739, 770, 774, LAWENVIR 710, LAWGENRL 722, LAWPUPL 726, 732, 736, 743, 744-785
- such other 700 level courses as the Dean of Faculty of Law

approves from year to year as relevant for inclusion in this specialisation

specialisation

Litigation and Dispute Resolution

- LAW 760, 790, LAWCOMM 702, LAWGENRL 771, 772, LAWPUBL 736
- such other 700 level courses as the Dean of Faculty of Law approves from year to year as relevant for inclusion in this

Public Law

- LAW 760, 790, LAWGENRL 702, 712, 722, LAWPUBL 705-785
- such other 700 level courses as the Dean of Faculty of Law approves from year to year as relevant for inclusion in this specialisation

The Degree of Master of Taxation Studies – MTaxS

The regulations for this degree are to be read in conjunction with all other relevant statutes and regulations including the Academic Statutes and Regulations.

Admission

- 1 In order to be admitted to this degree, a student must have:
 - either
 - a (i) completed the requirements for one of the following:
 - (a) the Degree of Bachelor of Commerce (Honours)
 - or
 - (b) the Degree of Bachelor of Laws
 - or
 - (c) the Degree of Bachelor of Laws (Honours)
 - or
 - (d) the Postgraduate Diploma in Business in Business Taxation and an undergraduate degree approved by Senate or its representative
 - or
 - (e) an equivalent qualification approved by Senate or its representative
 - and
 - (ii) passed the specified prerequisite courses or such other alternative courses approved by Senate or its representative
 - and
 - (iii) achieved a Grade Point Average of 5.0 or higher in their last equivalent full-time year of study
 - and
 - (iv) shown to the satisfaction of the Programme Director the capacity to undertake advanced study and research in the courses proposed to be taken for this degree
 - or
 - b completed the requirements for one of the following:
 - (i) either
 - (a) the Degree of Bachelor of Commerce
 - or
 - (b) an equivalent qualification approved by Senate or its representative
 - and
 - (ii) achieved a Grade Point Average of 5.0 or higher in their last equivalent full-time year of study
 - and
 - (iii) shown to the satisfaction of the Programme Director the capacity to undertake the courses for this degree.
- 2 As a condition of admission, students admitted under Regulation 1a may be required to take LAW 701 for a Certificate of Proficiency.

Duration and Total Points Value

- 3 A student admitted to this degree under Regulation 1a must:
 - a pass courses with a total value of 120 points
 - and
 - b complete within the time limit specified in the General Regulations – Masters Degrees
 - and
 - c not exceed 160 points for the total enrolment for this degree.
- 4 A student admitted to this degree under Regulation 1b must:
 - a pass courses with a total value of 180 points
 - and

- b complete within the time limit specified in the General Regulations – Masters Degrees
and
- c not exceed 220 points for the total enrolment for this degree.

Structure and Content

- 5 A student enrolled for this degree must complete the requirements as listed in the Master of Taxation Studies Schedule.
- 6 A student admitted under Regulation 1b may be required to take LAW 701 as part of this degree.
- 7 A student admitted to this programme must complete the University of Auckland Academic Integrity course as specified in the Enrolment and Programme Regulations, Academic Integrity, of the *University Calendar*.

Dissertation / Thesis

- 8 a A dissertation or thesis, when included in the programme, is to be carried out under the guidance of a supervisor appointed by Senate or its representative.
- b The dissertation or thesis topic must be approved by the relevant Head of Department prior to enrolment.
- c The dissertation or thesis is to be completed and submitted in accordance with the General Regulations – Masters Degrees.

Distinction / Honours / Merit

- 9 This degree may be awarded with Distinction, Honours or Merit in accordance with the General Regulations – Masters Degrees.

Variations

- 10 In exceptional circumstances Senate or its representative may approve a personal programme which does not conform to these regulations.

Amendment

- 11 These regulations and/or schedule have been amended with effect from 1 January 2024.

Master of Taxation Studies (MTaxS) Schedule	
A student who has to complete 120 points must satisfy the following requirements:	
Requirement: Research Masters <ul style="list-style-type: none">• LAW 700• 30 points: COMLAW 740• 90 points: LAWCOMM 794 Thesis in Taxation Law	Taught Masters <ul style="list-style-type: none">• LAW 700• 30 points: COMLAW 740• 90 points from COMLAW 747, 748, 757, LAWCOMM 767, 775-797, including at least 15 points from LAWCOMM 775, 789, 790, 792
A student who has to complete 180 points must satisfy the following requirements:	
Requirement: Research Masters <ul style="list-style-type: none">• LAW 700• 30 points: COMLAW 740• 60 points from COMLAW 747, 748, 757, LAW 701, LAWCOMM 767, 775-797• 90 points: LAWCOMM 794 Thesis in Taxation Law	Taught Masters <ul style="list-style-type: none">• LAW 700• 30 points: COMLAW 740• 105 points from COMLAW 747, 748, 757, LAW 701, LAWCOMM 767, 775-797• 45 points: LAWCOMM 792 Dissertation in Taxation Law

Graduate Certificate in Law – GradCertLaw

The regulations for this graduate certificate are to be read in conjunction with all other relevant statutes and regulations including the Academic Statutes and Regulations.

Admission

- 1 In order to be admitted to this programme, a student needs to have completed the requirements of:
 - either
 - a the Degree of Bachelor of Laws
 - or
 - b the Degree of Bachelor of Laws (Honours)

or

c an equivalent qualification in law as approved by Senate or its representative.

Duration and Total Points Value

- 2 A student enrolled for this graduate certificate must follow a programme equivalent to one full-time semester and pass courses with a total value of 60 points.

Structure and Content

- 3 Of the 60 points required for this graduate certificate, a student must pass at least 60 points from LAW courses listed for Parts II, III and IV of the Bachelor of Laws Schedule.
- 4 With the approval of the Dean of Faculty of Law, in lieu of courses required under 3, up to 30 points may be substituted from courses listed in the Master of Laws Schedule. In this case, the Dean may require a student to take LAW 700.
- 5 With the approval of the Dean of Faculty of Law, a student may take up to 15 points from courses at Stage II or higher in other programmes offered at this University, provided they are relevant and suitable for inclusion in this graduate certificate.
- 6 The programme for each student requires the approval of the Dean of Faculty of Law.
- 7 A student admitted to this programme under Regulation 1c may be required to take LAW 131 Legal Method for a Certificate of Proficiency as a condition of enrolment, or to include LAWGENRL 443 or LAW 701.
- 8 A student admitted to this programme must complete the University of Auckland Academic Integrity course as specified in the Enrolment and Programme Regulations, Academic Integrity, of the *University Calendar*.

Reassignment From Certificate of Proficiency

- 9 A student who has passed for a Certificate of Proficiency courses that are available for this graduate certificate, and has enrolled for this programme, may apply to reassign those courses to this graduate certificate in accordance with the Credit Regulations.
- 10 Cross-credits will not be granted toward this graduate certificate.

Variations

- 11 In exceptional circumstances Senate or its representative may approve a personal programme which does not conform to these regulations.

Amendment

- 12 These regulations have been amended with effect from 1 January 2019.

Graduate Diploma in Law – GradDipLaw

The regulations for this graduate diploma are to be read in conjunction with all other relevant statutes and regulations including the Academic Statutes and Regulations.

Admission

- 1 In order to be admitted to this programme, a student needs to have completed the requirements of:
either
 - a the Degree of Bachelor of Lawsor
 - b the Degree of Bachelor of Laws (Honours)or
 - c an equivalent qualification in law as approved by Senate or its representative.

Duration and Total Points Value

- 2 A student enrolled for this graduate diploma must follow a programme equivalent to two full-time semesters and pass courses with a total value of 120 points.

Structure and Content

- 3 Of the 120 points required for this graduate diploma, a student must pass at least 120 points from courses listed for Parts II, III and IV of the Bachelor of Laws Schedule, including at least 75 points from Parts III and IV.
- 4 With the approval of the Dean of Faculty of Law, in lieu of courses required under 3, up to 30 points may be

substituted from courses listed in the Master of Laws Schedule. In this case, the Dean may require a student to take LAW 700.

- 5 With the approval of the Dean of Faculty of Law, a student may take up to 30 points from courses at Stage II or higher in other programmes offered at this University, provided they are relevant and suitable for inclusion in this graduate diploma.
- 6 The programme for each student requires the approval of the Dean of Faculty of Law.
- 7 A student admitted to this programme under Regulation 1c may be required to take LAW 131 Legal Method for a Certificate of Proficiency as a condition of enrolment, or to include LAWGENRL 443 or LAW 701.
- 8 A student admitted to this programme must complete the University of Auckland Academic Integrity course as specified in the Enrolment and Programme Regulations, Academic Integrity, of the *University Calendar*.

Reassignment From Certificate of Proficiency

- 9 A student who has passed for a Certificate of Proficiency courses that are available for this graduate diploma, and has enrolled for this programme, may apply to reassign those courses to this graduate diploma in accordance with the Credit Regulations.
- 10 Cross-credits will not be granted toward this graduate diploma.

Variations

- 11 In exceptional circumstances Senate or its representative may approve a personal programme which does not conform to these regulations.

Amendment

- 12 These regulations have been amended with effect from 1 January 2019.

Postgraduate Certificate in Intellectual Property – PGCertIP

The regulations for this postgraduate certificate are to be read in conjunction with all other relevant statutes and regulations including the Academic Statutes and Regulations.

Admission

- 1 In order to be admitted to this postgraduate certificate, a student must have completed the requirements for a Bachelors degree from this University with a Grade Point Average of 4.0 or higher in at least 60 points above Stage II, or the equivalent as approved by Senate or its representative.

Duration and Total Points Value

- 2 A student admitted to this postgraduate certificate must:
 - a pass courses with a total value of 60 points
 - and
 - b complete within the time limit specified in the General Regulations – Postgraduate Certificates
 - and
 - c not exceed 90 points for the total enrolment for this postgraduate certificate.

Structure and Content

- 3 A student enrolled for this postgraduate certificate must complete the requirements as listed in the Postgraduate Certificate in Intellectual Property Schedule.
- 4 Up to 15 points may, with the approval of the Programme Director, be replaced by 15 points from appropriate 700 level courses offered at this University.
- 5 A student must complete the University of Auckland Academic Integrity course as specified in the Enrolment and Programme Regulations, Academic Integrity, of the *University Calendar*.

Variations

- 6 In exceptional circumstances Senate or its representative may approve a personal programme which does not conform to these regulations.

Commencement

- 7 These regulations came into force on 1 January 2024.

Postgraduate Certificate in Intellectual Property (PGCertIP) Schedule

Requirement:

- LAW 700

- 60 points from LAWCOMM 772, 782, 785, 791, 793, 795-797
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Postgraduate Certificate in Law – PGCertLaw

The regulations for this postgraduate certificate are to be read in conjunction with all other relevant statutes and regulations including the Academic Statutes and Regulations.

Admission

- In order to be admitted to this programme, a student needs to have:
 - completed the requirements for the Degree of Bachelor of Laws or for the Degree of Bachelor of Laws (Honours) at a level that indicates ability to undertake advanced study and research in Law
 - or
 - gained any other qualification, approved by Senate or its representative, that is indicative of ability to undertake advanced study and research in Law.

Duration and Total Points Value

- A student enrolled for this postgraduate certificate must:
 - pass courses with a total value of 60 points
 - and
 - complete within the time limit specified in the General Regulations – Postgraduate Certificates.
- The total enrolment for this postgraduate certificate must not exceed 90 points.

Structure and Content

- Of the 60 points required for this postgraduate certificate, a student must pass:
 - LAW 700 and at least 60 points from courses listed in the Master of Laws Schedule, other than LAW 790, 794, 796, 797, 798.
 - In the case of a student admitted under Regulation 1b above, the student's choice of courses in Regulation 4a is subject to the approval of the Dean of Faculty of Law. As a condition of enrolment the student may be required to take LAW 131 or LAW 701 for a Certificate of Proficiency.
 - The programme for each student requires the approval of the Dean of Faculty of Law prior to enrolment.
- A student admitted to this programme must complete the University of Auckland Academic Integrity course as specified in the Enrolment and Programme Regulations, Academic Integrity, of the *University Calendar*.

Variations

- In exceptional circumstances Senate or its representative may approve a personal programme which does not conform to these regulations.

Amendment

- These regulations have been amended with effect from 1 January 2019.