

# The Degree of Bachelor of Laws (LLB – 480 points)

These regulations must be read in conjunction with the General Regulations for the University.

Distance enrolment is not available in LAWS courses.

## 1. Version

- (a) These Regulations came into force on 1 January 2018.
- (b) This degree was first offered in 1877.

## 2. Variations

The Amo Ture | Dean of Law may approve a personal programme of study which does not conform to these Regulations.

## 3. The structure of the qualification

To qualify for the Degree of Bachelor of Laws a student must be credited with a minimum of 480 points, comprising:

- (a) all courses from Schedule C to these Regulations;
- (b)
  - i. If LAWS 301 was credited as 30 points, 180 points for the remaining compulsory courses specified in Schedule C;
  - ii. If LAWS 301 was credited as 15 points, 165 points for the remaining compulsory courses specified in Schedule C.
- (c)
  - i. If LAWS 301 was credited as 30 points, 180 points for courses selected from the optional 300-level courses listed in Schedule E;
  - ii. If LAWS 301 was credited as 15 points, 195 points for courses selected from the optional 300-level courses listed in Schedule E.
- (d) 75 points for courses selected from any of:
  - i. courses prescribed or accepted for any bachelor's degree (except ACCT 152, ACCT 252 and CRJU 150);
  - ii. LAWS 150 (2013 only), or CRJU 101, CRJU 160, and LAWS 102;
  - iii. other courses approved by the Amo Ture | Dean of Law.

## 4. Admission to the qualification

A student must satisfy the Admission Regulations of the University to be admitted to this qualification.

## 5. Subjects

There are no majors, minors or endorsements for this qualification.

## 6. Time limits

- (a) This qualification adheres to the General Regulations for the University with a time limit of 10 years.
- (b) In addition, a student completing this qualification for the purposes of admission as a Barrister and Solicitor must comply with the New Zealand Council of Legal Education time limit requirements.

## 7. Transfers of credit, substitutions and cross-credits

This qualification adheres to the Credit Recognition and Transfer Regulations for the University, with the following stipulations:

- (a) If either or both of LAWS 101 and LAWS 110 are credited to another degree, it or they shall also be credited to the Bachelor of Laws.
- (b) A maximum of 15 points of non-law may be cross-credited or substituted under this Regulation as follows:
  - i. In the case of a student enrolled for a double degree or a graduate who holds a bachelor's degree, one 200-level course from the schedule to the other degree may be cross-credited for one Schedule E course (15 points). The course does not need to be relevant to Law.
  - ii. In the case of a student enrolled for the LLB only:

- a. one course at 200 or 300-level from the schedule to another bachelor's degree may be substituted for one course to the LLB for a maximum of one Schedule E course (15 points) in Regulation 3(c).
  - b. The substituted course must be relevant to the student's programme of study for the LLB and must be approved in advance of enrolment by the Amo Ture | Dean of Law.
- (c) In terms of the General Regulations of the University, it is declared LAWS 101; LAWS 110 (if credited to the other degree) and 75 points of non-law (LLB Regulation 3(d)) count towards the 120 points in common. In addition LLB Regulation 7(b)(i) permits a further 15 points in common.
- (d) A student enrolled in the BA degree may cross-credit a LAWS 200-level course to the BA instead of the further 15 points provided for in LLB Regulation 7(b)(i) (Refer to BA Regulation 7(a)(iii)). Such a student may also substitute as per Regulation 7(b)(ii) above.
- (e) For a student enrolled in the BCJ degree, the 120 points of cross-credit permitted under the General Regulations shall be: LAWS 101 (30 points); 75 points non-law as per Regulation 3(d); plus CRJU 201 (15 points) or SOCI 218 (15 points) cross-credited to the LLB degree in lieu of one LLB Schedule E course. In addition to this, LAWS 202 Criminal Law may be cross-credited to the BCJ in place of (i) CRJU 202 (15 points) and (ii) one BCJ Schedule E 200-level elective course (15 points) (refer to BCJ Regulation 7(a)(iii)).
- (f) A student enrolled in the BCom may:
- i. cross-credit (in addition to the 120 points provided for in Regulation 7(c)) a total of 30 points between the BCom and the LLB as provided for in BCom Regulation 7(a). This includes any cross-credit to the LLB in terms of LLB Regulation 7(b)(i) (15 points); or
  - ii. cross-credit a LAWS 200 course to the BCom for the 30 points provided for in (f)(i) above. In this case, no further cross-credit applies in terms of LLB Regulation 7(b)(i). Such students may, however, substitute a non-law course to the LLB in terms of Regulation 7(b)(ii).

## 8. Progression

This qualification adheres to the General Regulations for the University with the following stipulations:

- (a) A student may not enrol for any 300-level LAWS course unless they have been credited with:
  - i. LAWS 101, LAWS 110 and the courses required by Regulation 3(d), unless exempted under Regulation 8(b) below; and
  - ii. all the LAWS 200-level courses or is concurrently enrolled in those LAWS 200-level courses not yet credited.
- (b) A student who holds an Aotearoa New Zealand degree, or who is admitted with Equivalent Standing on the basis of an overseas degree:
  - i. is exempt from the courses worth 75 points specified in Regulation 3(d), and;
  - ii. may apply to the Amo Ture | Dean of Law for concurrent enrolment in 100 and 200-level Law courses. If admitted to concurrent enrolment, a student must enrol in LAWS 101 and LAWS 110 and such 200-level courses as are approved by the Amo Ture | Dean of Law.
- (c) The Amo Ture | Dean of Law may exempt a student enrolled in the LLB or Certificate of Proficiency from any prerequisite or co-requisite requirement.

## 9. Honours, Distinction and Merit

- (a) Honours, Distinction and Merit are not awarded for this degree.
- (b) Refer to the Regulations for the Degree of Bachelor of Laws with Honours.

## 10. Exit and Upgrade Pathways to other Qualifications

There are no advancing or exit qualifications for this degree.

## 11. Programme of Study

- (a) The Programme of Study for full-time students is stipulated below. Students enrolled on a part-time basis must seek academic advice in relation to their enrolment.
- (b) The Programme of Study for students in their first year of enrolment in the LLB degree includes 120 points for LAWS 101, LAWS 110 and the courses required by Regulation 3(d), unless exempted under Regulation 8(b).
- (c) Subject to Regulation 7, the Programme of Study for students in their second year of enrolment of the LLB degree consists of:

- i. in the case of students enrolled for the LLB only, 120 points for LAWS 203, LAWS 204, LAWS 205 and LAWS 206.
  - ii. in the case of students enrolled for a double degree,
    - a. 90 points for LAWS 203, LAWS 205, LAWS 206, and
    - b. a maximum of 60 points selected from the Schedule to the other degree.
- (d) Subject to Regulation 7, the Programme of Study for students in their third year of enrolment in the LLB degree consists of:
- i. in the case of students enrolled for the LLB only, 45 points for LAWS 202 and LAWS 301, and a maximum of 105 points for 300-level courses listed in Schedule E.
  - ii. in the case of students enrolled for a double degree,
    - a. 75 points for LAWS 202, LAWS 204, LAWS 301; and
    - b. a maximum of 75 points for 300-level courses selected from Schedule E and/or courses selected from the Schedule to the other degree.
- (e) Subject to Regulation 7, the Programme of Study for students in their fourth year of study and enrolled for the LLB only consists of a maximum of 150 points selected from 300-level courses listed in Schedule E.
- (f) Subject to Regulation 7, the Programme of Study for students in their fourth and subsequent years of study and enrolled for a double degree consists of a maximum of 150 points for courses selected from 300-level courses listed in Schedule E and/or courses selected from the Schedule to the other degree.
- (g) Students who fail any Schedule C course must seek academic advice in relation to their ongoing programme of study.

## 12. Professional requirements

A student wishing to seek admission as a barrister and solicitor of the High Court of New Zealand must have:

- (a) passed LAWS 398 Legal Ethics; and
- (b) completed successfully a further programme of study offered by providers approved by the New Zealand Council of Legal Education; and
- (c) satisfied all other criteria specified by the Lawyers and Conveyancers Act 2006.

## Schedule C: Compulsory Courses for the Degree of Bachelor of Laws

For full course information, go to [www.canterbury.ac.nz/courses](http://www.canterbury.ac.nz/courses)

Notes:

1. *In the case of a student to whom Regulation 8(b)ii or 8(c) applies, LAWS 101 and LAWS 110 are not prerequisites for LAWS 200 and 300-level courses.*
2. *All students intending to enrol in limited entry courses (including students awaiting the outcome of transfer of credit applications) must apply to enrol by the deadline published for limited entry LAWS courses in the Guide to Enrolment and on Te Kura Ture | School of Law website.*

Course Code	Course Title	Pts	2021	Location	P/C/R/RP/EQ
LAWS 101	Legal System: Legal Method and Institutions	30	W	Campus	C: LAWS 110 R: CRJU 150
LAWS 110	Legal Foundations, Research and Writing	15	51	Campus	C: LAWS 101
LAWS 202	Criminal Law	30	W	Campus	P: LAWS 203, LAWS 205 and LAWS 206 C: LAWS 204, LAWS 301
LAWS 203	The Law of Contract	30	W	Campus	P: LAWS 101 and LAWS 110 C: LAWS 205 and LAWS 206
LAWS 204	The Law of Torts	30	W	Campus	P: LAWS 101 and LAWS 110 C: LAWS 203, LAWS 205 and LAWS 206
LAWS 205	Land Law	30	W	Campus	P: LAWS 101 and LAWS 110 C: LAWS 203 and LAWS 206

LAWS 206	Public Law	30	W	Campus	P: LAWS 101 and LAWS 110 C: LAWS 203 and LAWS 205
LAWS 301	Equity and Trusts	15	S1	Campus	P: LAWS 203, LAWS 205 and LAWS 206 C: LAWS 202 and LAWS 204

Note: LAWS 202–206 are limited entry courses – refer to the Enrolment Regulations.

## Schedule E: Elective Courses for the Degree of Bachelor of Laws

Course Code	Course Title	Pts	2021	Location	P/C/R/PP/EQ
LAWS 102	Law, Justice and Morality	15	NO		

### 300-level courses

Note: LAWS 339, LAWS 359, LAWS 382, and LAWS 387 are limited entry courses or courses requiring a special application – refer to the Enrolment Regulations. Not all courses may be offered in any one year. A student should consult the Course Catalogue or Te Kure Ture | School of Law as to which courses are to be offered.

Course Code	Course Title	Pts	2021	Location	P/C/R/PP/EQ
LAWS 303	Advanced Employment Law	15	S2	Campus	P: LAWS 363 C: LAWS 202-LAWS 206 R: LAWS 318
LAWS 305	Company Law	15	S1	Campus	C: LAWS 202-LAWS 206 R: LAWS 312
LAWS 306	Special Topic: Law and Transition to the Workplace	15	S1	Campus	P: (i) LAWS 202 - LAWS 206; (ii) Subject to the approval of the Head of Department. C: LAWS 301
LAWS 307	The Principles of Evidence	15	S2	Campus	C: LAWS 202-LAWS 206 R: LAWS 316, CRJU 308 EQ: CRJU 308
LAWS 309	Child and Family Law	15	S1	Campus	C: LAWS 202-LAWS 206 R: LAWS 317
LAWS 310	Relationship Property and Family Finance	15	S2	Campus	C: LAWS 202-LAWS 206 R: LAWS 317
LAWS 314	Environmental Law, Policy and Society	15	NO		C: LAWS 202-LAWS 206 R: LAWS 304
LAWS 315	Transnational Criminal Law	15	NO		P: LAWS 324 C: LAWS 202-LAWS 206 R: CRJU 311 EQ: CRJU 311
LAWS 319	Environmental Law, Conservation and the Public Interest	15	NO		C: LAWS 202-LAWS 206 R: LAWS 304
LAWS 320	NZ Bill of Rights Act 1990	15	S1	Campus	C: LAWS 202-206
LAWS 321	International Criminal Law	15	NO		P: LAWS 324 C: LAWS 202-LAWS 206 R: CRJU 309 EQ: CRJU 309
LAWS 322	International Human Rights	15	S2	Campus	C: LAWS 202-LAWS 206
LAWS 323	Immigration and Refugee Law	15	S1	Campus	C: LAWS 202-LAWS 206
LAWS 324	Principles of Public International Law	15	S1	Campus	C: LAWS 202-LAWS 206 R: LAWS 342, LAWS 375 (prior to 2006)
LAWS 326	Treaty Settlement Negotiations	15	S1	Campus	C: LAWS 202-LAWS 206

LAWS 327	International Environmental Law	15	NO		P: LAWS 324 C: LAWS 202-LAWS 206 R: ILAP 612
LAWS 330	Intellectual Property Law	15	S2	Campus	C: LAWS 202-LAWS 206
LAWS 331	Commercial Law I: Sales and Consumer Law	15	S1	Campus	C: LAWS 202-206 R: LAWS 311
LAWS 332	Commercial Law II: Personal Property Security and Credit	15	S2	Campus	C: LAWS 202-LAWS 206 R: LAWS 311
LAWS 335	Insolvency Law	15	S2	Campus	C: LAWS 202 - 206
LAWS 336	Antarctic Legal Studies	15	S1	Campus	C: LAWS 202-LAWS 206 R: LAWS 372 (prior to 2006), ANTA 402
LAWS 338	World Trade Law	15	S2	Campus	C: LAWS 202-LAWS 206
LAWS 339	Negotiation and the Lawyer	15	SU2	Campus	C: LAWS 202-LAWS 206 R: LAWS 369 (prior to 2006)
LAWS 341	Insurance Law	15	NO		C: LAWS 202-LAWS 206
LAWS 343	International Institutions	15	NO		P: LAWS 324 C: LAWS 202-LAWS 206
LAWS 344	Gender and the Law	15	S2	Campus	C: LAWS 202-LAWS 206
LAWS 346	Commercial Law 3: Commercial Relationships	15	NO		C: LAWS 202-206
LAWS 348	Research Project	15	S1 S2	Campus Campus	P: Head of Department permission mandatory C: LAWS 202-LAWS 206 R: LAWS 379 (prior to 2006)
LAWS 350	Competition Law	15	NO		C: LAWS 202-LAWS 206 R: AFIS 355, ACIS 355
LAWS 351	Law and Sport	15	NO		C: LAWS 202-LAWS 206
LAWS 352	Taxation Law	15	S2	Campus	C: LAWS 202-LAWS 206 R: LAWS 394 (1999), LAWS 395 (2000-2001)
LAWS 354	Judicial Review	15	NO		C: LAWS 202-LAWS 206 R: LAWS 394 (2000-2002)
LAWS 355	European Union Law	15	NO		C: LAWS 202-LAWS 206 R: EURO 311, EURA 311
LAWS 356	Special Topic: Selected Topics in Natural Resource Law	15	S2	Campus	C: LAWS 202 - LAWS 206 RP: LAWS 205
LAWS 357	Special Topic: Banking and Financial Regulation in the FinTech Age	15	S2	Campus	C: LAWS 202-LAWS 206
LAWS 358	The Rights of Indigenous Peoples	15	NO		C: LAWS 202-LAWS 206
LAWS 359	Trial Advocacy	15	S1	Campus	P: LAWS 316 or LAWS 307. C: LAWS 202-LAWS 206 R: LAWS 389 (prior to 2006)
LAWS 360	Jurisprudence	15	NO		C: LAWS 202-LAWS 206 R: LAWS 302
LAWS 362	Natural Disasters and the Law	15	NO		C: LAWS 202-LAWS 206
LAWS 363	Individual Employment Law	15	S1	Campus	C: LAWS 202-206 R: LAWS 318
LAWS 364	Law of the Sea	15	S2	Campus	C: LAWS 202-LAWS 206 R: LAWS 362 prior to 2010, ILAP 630
LAWS 365	Issues in Policing, Prosecution and Alternatives to Prosecution	15	S2	Campus	C: LAWS 202-LAWS 206 R: LAWS 337, CRJU 307 EQ: CRJU 307

LAWS 366	Sentencing Theory and Practice	15	S1	Campus	C: LAWS 202-LAWS 206 R: LAWS 337; CRJU 301 EQ: CRJU 301
LAWS 367	Special Topic: AI Regulation	15	S1	Campus	C: LAWS 202-LAWS 206
LAWS 368	Comparative Law: New Zealand Law in Global Context	15	NO		C: LAWS 202 - LAWS 206
LAWS 370	Problems in International and Regional Trade	15	NO		C: LAWS 202 - LAWS 206 R: ILAP 633
LAWS 371	International Investment Law and Arbitration	15	S2	Campus	C: LAWS 202-LAWS 206 R: LAWS 333 and ILAP 634
LAWS 373	Washington Internship	15	A	Campus	P: Subject to approval of the Head of Department.
LAWS 376	Resource Management Act 1991: Selected Issues	15	NO		C: LAWS 202 - LAWS 206
LAWS 378	Genetics, Neuroscience and the Criminal Law	15	S2	Campus	P: (1) LAWS 202, or (2) CRJU 202 and 45 additional points at 200-level from Schedule C to the Bachelor of Criminal Justice and Head of Department Approval. C: LAWS 203-LAWS 206 R: CRJU 313
LAWS 380	Contemporary Issues in Criminal Law and Procedure	15	NO		P: LAWS 202 or CRJU 202 C: LAWS 203-LAWS 206 R: CRJU 312 EQ: CRJU 312
LAWS 381	Landlord and Tenant	15	NO		C: LAWS 202-LAWS 206
LAWS 382	Legal Internship	15	S1 S2	Campus Campus	P: Subject to approval of Head of School. C: LAWS 202-LAWS 206
LAWS 383	Law and Medicine	15	NO		C: LAWS 202-LAWS 206 R: CRJU 313
LAWS 384	Legislation: Law-Making for the 21st Century	15	NO		C: LAWS 202-LAWS 206
LAWS 386	Clinical Legal Studies	15	S2	Campus	P: LAWS 202-LAWS 206
LAWS 387	Advanced Public Law	15	NO		P: LAWS 206 C: LAWS 202-LAWS 205
LAWS 388	European Public Law	15	NO		C: LAWS 202-LAWS 206 R: EURO 333, EURA 333 EQ: EURA 333, EURO 333
LAWS 390	Private International Law	15	S2	Campus	C: LAWS 202-LAWS 206
LAWS 391	Māori Land Law	15	S1	Campus	C: LAWS 202-LAWS 206
LAWS 392	The Treaty of Waitangi	15	NO		C: LAWS 202-LAWS 206 R: POLS 218; POLS 258; HIST 268; SOCI 209; HSRV 207; MAOR 219
LAWS 393	Advanced Land Law	15	S1	Campus	P: LAWS 205 C: LAWS 202-LAWS 204, LAWS 206
LAWS 396	Media Law	15	S2	Campus	C: LAWS 202-LAWS 206 R: COMS 233
LAWS 397	Civil Procedure	15	NO		C: LAWS 202-LAWS 206
LAWS 398	Legal Ethics	15	S1	Campus	C: LAWS 202-LAWS 206 R: LAWS 370 (prior to 2006), LAWS 399 (prior to 2006)
LLAW 300	Pacific Legal Studies	15	NO		C: LAWS 202-LAWS 206
LLAW 302	Special topic : Food law and commercialisation	15	SU2	Campus	C: LAWS 202-LAWS 206