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ACU  
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"As a constitutional lawyer, it gives me great pleasure to see ACU adding a law program to its already impressive suite of offerings.

The four-year degree will be unique in that it will draw upon the experience of prestigious Catholic law schools around the world. The course will also be Australia's first truly national legal curriculum.

I look forward to seeing the University produce a generation of lawyers equipped with the legal knowledge and practical skills to handle the demands of 21st century practice – and the sense of ethics needed to put their skills to good use."



# *why study* **LAW** *at acu?*

**ACU**||law

#### **LEADING RESEARCH:**

ACU has already made its mark in research, achieving world standard results - with a rating of 3 - in the discipline of law in the Federal Government's Excellence in Research Australia initiative. Significant ongoing investment in research will ensure you remain inspired by our leading academics and researchers sourced from around the world.

#### **EMPLOYMENT RATES:**

ACU graduates are high achievers and enjoy one of the best rates of employment in Australia, with many finding jobs even before they have graduated.

#### **FACILITIES:**

The law degree will be offered through a newly established Faculty of Law equipped with state-of-the-art facilities, including a law library and moot court. It will be delivered by academics of renown and class sizes will be capped to ensure students enjoy an optimal educational experience.

#### **DUAL DEGREES:**

Students are able to undertake a law degree alone, or combine law with a degree in business administration, commerce, arts, global studies or theology. Dual degrees are a great way to broaden your knowledge base, and tailor your education for better employment options.

#### **PROFESSIONAL RECOGNITION:**

ACU's law program has been designed specifically to prepare students for entry into the legal profession and to ensure that graduates are well-grounded in the areas of law relevant to legal practice. Recognising the role lawyers can play in international commerce and relations, ACU's course also has a distinctive international flavour. This combination will produce a generation of first class lawyers, equipped with the legal knowledge and practical skills to handle the demands of 21st century practice.

## BACHELOR OF LAWS

**Campus:** Melbourne, North Sydney\*  
**Duration:** 4 yrs FT (or equivalent PT)

This course will equip you with the legal knowledge and practical skills to handle the demands of 21st century practice. It will develop your ethical skills and an appreciation of the law's interaction with other disciplines and its international dimensions. The course has been developed with a professional focus to prepare you for entry into the legal profession.

### Professional experience

You must complete a minimum of 80 hours pro bono experience during the course. This will be completed during two legal professional experience units and one community engagement unit.

### Accreditation

You will be eligible for accreditation from the Council of Legal Education (CLE) and entitled to apply for admission to professional legal practice in Victoria or NSW.

### Career options

Graduates can pursue a range of legal careers including working as a lawyer in private practice, the public service, a legal aid office, or as in-house counsel for a corporation. Completing a law degree is also excellent preparation for pursuing a career in a wide variety of other areas such as business, the media, politics and public administration.

# Dual degrees

## BACHELOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION/ BACHELOR OF LAWS

**Campus:** Melbourne, North Sydney\*  
**Duration:** 5 yr FT (or equivalent PT)

There is a high demand from law firms, and public and private sector organisations for graduates with dual degrees in business and law. Qualify from this degree with a general understanding of modern business and also the required knowledge and skills to become a legal practitioner. While exploring the important interface between law, business and policy administration, the program teaches ethical decision-making and social responsibility.

### Professional experience

You must complete a minimum of 80 hours pro bono experience during the course. This will be completed during four legal professional experience units and one community engagement unit.

### Accreditation

You will be eligible for accreditation from the Council of Legal Education (CLE) and entitled to apply for admission to professional legal practice in Victoria or NSW.

### Career options

Graduates can pursue a range of legal careers including working as a lawyer in private practice, the public service, a

legal aid office, or as in-house counsel for a corporation. Completing a Business Administration/Law dual degree is also excellent preparation for pursuing a career in a wide variety of other areas such as business, politics and public administration.

## BACHELOR OF THEOLOGY/ BACHELOR OF LAWS

**Campus:** Melbourne, North Sydney/  
Strathfield\*

**Duration:** 5 yr FT (or equivalent PT)

This unique dual degree will provide you with an education in law that is informed by the range of values specific to the Christian tradition, and an education in theology orientated to the professional values and practice of law. This course has a focus on ethical behaviour, social justice and the common good to produce professionally skilled graduates prepared for legal practice with an appreciation of the law's interaction with theology.

### Professional experience

You must complete a minimum of 80 hours pro bono experience during the course. This will be completed during four legal professional experience units and one community engagement unit.

### Accreditation

You will be eligible for accreditation from the Council of Legal Education (CLE) and entitled to apply for admission to professional legal practice in Victoria or NSW.

### Career options

Graduates can pursue a range of legal careers including working as a lawyer in private practice, the public service, a legal aid office, or as in-house counsel for a corporation. Completing a Theology/Law dual degree is also excellent preparation for pursuing a career in a wide variety of other areas such as public administration, chaplaincy, pastoral work, teaching and research, and the study of religion.

## BACHELOR OF ARTS/ BACHELOR OF LAWS

**Campus:** Melbourne, North Sydney/  
Strathfield\*

**Duration:** 5 yr FT (or equivalent PT)

This course aims to develop ethical and professionally skilled graduates with a breadth of knowledge in areas relevant to legal practice and an appreciation of the law's interaction with other disciplines and its international dimensions. This course offers a wide variety of electives including legal studies in marketing, intellectual property, taxation and health.

### Professional experience

You must complete a minimum of 80 hours pro bono experience during the course. This will be completed during four legal professional experience units and one community engagement unit.

### Accreditation

You will be eligible for accreditation from the Council of Legal Education (CLE) and entitled to apply for admission to professional legal practice in Victoria or NSW.

### Career options

Graduates can pursue a range of legal careers including working as a lawyer in private practice, the public service, a legal aid office, or as in-house counsel for a corporation. Completing an Arts/Law dual degree is also excellent preparation for pursuing a career in a wide variety of other areas such as foreign affairs, the media, education and public administration.

### BACHELOR OF LAWS/ BACHELOR OF GLOBAL STUDIES

**Campus:** Melbourne, North Sydney/  
Strathfield\*

**Duration:** 5 yr FT (or equivalent PT)

This unique dual degree aims to develop an awareness of the broader context within which legal issues arise including political, historical, philosophical and economic dimensions. Studies include global health, change and development, and environmental sustainability within a legal framework.

### Professional experience

You must complete a minimum of 80 hours pro bono experience during the course. This will be completed during three legal professional experience units and one community engagement unit.

### Accreditation

You will be eligible for accreditation from the Council of Legal Education (CLE) and entitled to apply for admission to professional legal practice in Victoria or NSW.

### Career options

Graduates can pursue a range of legal careers including working as a lawyer in private practice, the public service, a legal aid office, or as in-house counsel for a corporation. Completing a Law/Global Studies dual degree is also excellent preparation for pursuing a career in a wide variety of other areas such as foreign affairs, the media, education, international relations, the not-for-profit sector and public administration.

### BACHELOR OF COMMERCE/ BACHELOR OF LAWS

**Campus:** Melbourne, North Sydney\*

**Duration:** 5 yr FT (or equivalent PT)

The regulation of commerce and business is becoming increasingly complex and multi-layered. This course prepares students for the increasing interface between commerce and law. The dual degree offers an insight into frameworks, institutions and rule-making processes in everyday commercial activity. Formal training in commerce, accounting and law will differentiate graduates in this highly competitive marketplace.

### Professional experience

You must complete a minimum of 80 hours pro bono experience during the course. This will be completed during four legal professional experience units and one community engagement unit.

### Accreditation

You will be eligible for accreditation from the Council of Legal Education (CLE) and entitled to apply for admission to professional legal practice in Victoria or NSW.

### Career options

Graduates can pursue a range of legal careers including working as a lawyer in private practice, the public service, a legal aid office, or as in-house counsel for a corporation. Completing a Commerce/Law dual degree is also excellent preparation for pursuing a career in a wide variety of other areas such as accounting, foreign affairs, banking and finance, business, the media and public administration.

\* Melbourne Campus only in 2013;  
Sydney campuses in 2014 subject to approval.

