Degree of Bachelor of Laws (LLB)  
(Degree code: 03492)

These rules should be read in conjunction with the general rules and the general information in Part 1 of the Calendar which is issued to registered students.

**NB**
- All LLB modules are offered as semester modules, except End-user computing (Practical) (EUP1501), which is a year module.
- Any reference to courses and papers includes the equivalent in modules.
- See the general information in Chapter 1 in connection with the requirements for admission as an attorney or advocate.
- Students must note that certain reported court decisions and prescribed articles, which form part of the prescribed study material for certain law courses, are published in only either Afrikaans or English, and that translations of the relevant study material cannot be furnished by Unisa.

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**L13n**  
To be registered as a candidate for the LLB degree (new curriculum) a student must have satisfied the provisions of Rule G13 in Part 1 of the Calendar.

**L14n**  
**Duration of study and number of study units per year**

1. Apart from the exceptions in L14(n)(5) the LLB degree (new curriculum) cannot be completed in under FOUR YEARS.
2. On FIRST REGISTRATION and on RE-ENROLMENT at this University the number of study units for which a student may register is determined by ‘Number of study units per year’ in Section D3 in Part 1 of the Calendar.
3. A student who has completed the Bluris, BProc or BA(Pol) (Curriculum A – Law) degree AT THIS UNIVERSITY may complete the LLB degree in ONE or TWO years by registering for the remaining study units required for completion of the LLB degree. Subject to the provisions of L15(n)(1) NB, an LLB student may therefore be exempted from ALL corresponding study units passed for the completed Bluris, BProc or BA(Pol) (Curriculum A – Law) degrees at this university.
4. A student who has completed any other degree, may complete the LLB degree in THREE or FOUR years, depending on the number of legal and language modules (if any) from which he/she can be exempted.
5. The LLB degree must be completed in a maximum of TEN ACADEMIC YEARS. The Dean has the discretion to condone non-compliance with this rule in exceptional circumstances.

**L15n**  
**Curriculum**

**TRANSITIONAL ARRANGEMENTS**

- Students who have previously passed accepted language modules in Afrikaans and English will retain credit towards the completion of the LLB and need not register for the Skills course for law students (SCL1014).
- Students who have passed only one language module must register for the Skills course for law students (SCL1014).
- Students who passed only IND201V or IND202W retain credit for the module passed and must not register for IND203X but must register for FAC1503.
- Students who have passed ILW1014 and ILW1025 as well as IND201V and IND202W must not register for FAC1503.
- Students who passed LCR401R and/or LCR402S may not register for LCR411T.
- Students who have passed ILW1014 and ILW1025 as well as IND201V and IND202W must not register for FAC1503.
- Students who have passed both ILW1014 and ILW1025 retain credit for these modules and may not register for ILW1036. Students who have passed only one of ILW1014 or ILW1025 retain credit for the module passed and must register for FAC1503 and not for ILW1036.
- Students who have passed EVI1024 or EVI302B retain credit and may not register for EVI3702.
- Students who have passed FAC1502, ACN103 or TXN202 will retain credit for that module and must not register for CRW2602 or EUP1501.
- Students who have passed CRW101U retain credit for that module and must not register for EVI3702.
- Students who have passed CRW101U retain credit for that module and must not register for EVI3702.
- Students who have passed MRL302 retain credit for that module and must not register for MRL4801.

1. The LLB degree comprises FORTY MODULES which include thirty four compulsory and six elective modules. Some curriculum changes came into operation in 2008. New compulsory modules were included in the curriculum, namely FAC1503, PVL3043 and LJU413J. Students who have already progressed quite far with their curriculum may find that this means that they have to do more than thirty four compulsory modules. Therefore they will have to do fewer than 6 electives, because only 40 modules are required to complete the qualification. Credits will be given for all modules already passed (e.g. credit will be given for both IND201V and IND202W which have now been replaced by IND203X).

**NB**
- Students in their FIRST YEAR of registration who are restricted to TWO modules must register for Introduction to Law and the Skills course for law students.
- Students in their FIRST YEAR of registration who are restricted to FOUR modules must register for Introduction to Law, the Skills course for law students, the language module and Accounting principles for law practitioners.
- Exemption from law modules by virtue of examinations passed more than ten years ago is not granted automatically; a curriculum vitae setting out to what extent the applicant has remained in touch with the branch of law concerned should accompany applications for such exemptions. See also under G17: Exemption from study units and A14: Documents to be submitted in Part 1 of the Calendar.
CURRICULUM 2010

Students who register for the LLB at Unisa for the first time in 2010 must follow the curriculum below.

Students who were registered for the LLB at Unisa before 2010 retain credit for CRW101U, EVI2016 and MRL302N if they have already passed these modules and may not take the corresponding CRW2601, EVI3702 and MRL4801. Students who have passed CRW101U may not take EUP1501 (End-user computing) and must pass seven electives to complete the 40 modules of the LLB. Other students take EUP1501 and need only pass 6 electives.

TRANSITIONAL ARRANGEMENTS

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NB
- Students are advised to take the curriculum over FOUR, FIVE or SIX years. Part-time students, that is students holding a full-time job while studying, are strongly advised to spread the curriculum over FIVE or SIX years.
- Note that the course code provides an indication of the national Qualifications Framework level and thus of the level of complexity at which the module is offered. You should therefore first do courses whose numerical indicators start with 1 (e.g. PVL101Q), followed by those starting with 2 (e.g. ADL201M) etc. First-year modules are offered on NQF level 5, second-level modules on NQF level 6, third-year modules on NQF level 7 and fourth-year modules on NQF level 8.

FIRST YEAR (NQF LEVEL 5)

Co-requisite for LLB modules: ILW1036 and SCL1014

ILW1036 : Introduction to law
SCL1014 : Skills course for law students

One of the following modules:

ENN106J : English communication for law
or
AFK103S : Afrikaans vir regstudente

FAC1503 : Accounting principles for law practitioners
EUP1501 : End-user computing (Practical)
FLS101V : The origins of South African law
FLS102W : Foundations of the South African law
PVL101Q : Law of persons

SECOND YEAR (NQF LEVEL 6)

NB
- Strong recommendations:
  - ADL201M, FUR201F and IOS2016 should be taken together with or after CSL201M
  - CMP2016 and CMP301A should be taken together with or after CRW2601 and CRW201X
  - Students should register for CRW201X only after they have passed CRW2602.

PVL203V : Family law
CRW2601 : General principles of criminal law
CRW201X : Criminal law: Specific crimes
PVL202U : Law of succession
CIP201G : General principles of civil procedure
CMP2016 : Law of criminal procedure: pre-trial
ADL201M : Administrative law
CSL201M : Constitutional law
FUR201F : Fundamental rights
IOS2016 : Interpretation of statutes
IND203X : African customary law
MRL203L : Entrepreneurial law

THIRD YEAR (NQF LEVEL 7)
NB

Strong recommendation:

- Students should register for PVL3043 after they have passed, or together with PVL3034, PVL301W and PVL302X

PVL303Y : Law of property
MRL301M : Insolvency law
CIP301K : Civil procedure: court proceedings
CMF301A : Law of criminal procedure: trial and post-trial
PVL301W : Law of contract
PVL302X : Law of delict
MRL303P : Labour law
EVI3702 : Evidence: the presentation and admissibility of evidence
EVI301A : Evidence: admissibility of evidence
PVL3034 : Enrichment liability and estoppel

FOURTH YEAR (NQF LEVEL 8)

NB

Strong recommendation:

- Students should register for LJU406K and LJU413J only after they have passed all other compulsory modules, or should simultaneously register for the outstanding compulsory modules.

MRL4801 : Law of negotiable instruments, intellectual property and competition
LJU406K : Legal philosophy
LJU413J : Professional ethics
LCP401 : International law

Any six of the following modules in any combination from Groups A-E:

GROUP A: PRIVATE LAW

A1  LPL4018  The Law of sale and lease
A9  LPL409G  Law of damages
A14  LPL414D  Third party compensation law
A16  LPL416F  Conveyancing
A17  LPL417G  Notarial practice
A20  LPL420B  Short dissertation in private law

GROUP B: MERCANTILE LAW

B1  LML401N  Patent and copyright law
B2  LML402P  The law of competition and trademarks
B3  LML403Q  Advanced labour law
B4  LML404R  Tax law (only offered in semester 2)
B5  LML405S  Insurance law
B6  LML406T  Company law
B7  LML407U  Banking law: selected topics
B8  LML408V  South African law of international trade
B9  LML409W  Advanced bills of exchange and cheque law
B11  LML411Q  Legal aspects of electronic commerce
B20  LML420R  Short dissertation in mercantile law

GROUP C: PUBLIC, CONSTITUTIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL LAW

C2  LCP402J  Legal transactions in international law
C3  LCP403K  International transport law
C5  LCP405M  African customary law: capita selecta
C7  LCP407P  Environmental law
C8  LCP408Q  Advanced constitutional law and fundamental rights
C9  LCP409R  International human rights law
C10  LCP410J  World trade law
C11  LCP411K  Education law
C20  LCP420L  Short dissertation in public, constitutional or international law

GROUP D: CRIMINAL AND PROCEDURAL LAW

D3  LCR403T  Forensic medicine
D4  LCR404U  Medical law
D6  LCR406W  Media law
D8  LCR408Y  Sentencing
D9  LCR4093  Selected private and criminal law principles of the Internet
D10  LCR410S  Trial advocacy (will not be offered in 2010)
D11  LCR411T  Advanced criminal law
D20  LCR420U  Short dissertation in criminal law
GROUP E: JURISPRUDENCE

E3  LJU403G  Comparative law
E5  LJU405J  Conflict of laws
E20  LJU420H  Short dissertation in one of the disciplines offered in this department

(2) Only in exceptional cases, and with due observance of L17(n), may a student be allowed to register simultaneously for succeeding modules in legal subjects.

(3) The elective modules A20, B20, C20, D20 and E20 comprise a short dissertation on an approved topic which must be completed to the satisfaction of the Chair of the relevant Department. A student must register for the relevant module in the semester in which he/she intends to hand in the dissertation. Only ONE dissertation may be selected. Further particulars in this connection are provided in a special tutorial letter which is sent to the students concerned. Students are advised to do the dissertation in the last semester before completing the degree. Students are advised to finalise their topic and to contact the designated supervisor as soon as possible so that there is enough time for them to submit a draft of the dissertation to the supervisor, for the supervisor to provide feedback, and for the final dissertation to be submitted in time for examination.

L17n Exemptions

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Subject to the provisions of General Rule G17(4) in Part 1 of the Calendar, a student may, by virtue of previous study, be exempted from a maximum of twenty modules. The remaining modules must be selected from the modules specified in L15(n) and may not include study units that were passed during previous studies.

L18n Pass, pass with distinction and subminimum

(1) Pass
See Rule G22 in Part 1 of the Calendar.

(2) Pass with distinction
See Part 1 of the Calendar.

(3) Subminimum
See Rule G23 in Part 1 of the Calendar.