

DESCRIPTION

This degree offers advanced, specialised study in **Contract Law**. Designed for individuals seeking to deepen their legal expertise, this programme provides an in-depth exploration of complex contractual issues and their application within the South African legal landscape. The curriculum is meticulously structured to equip students with a sophisticated understanding of contract law theory and application thereof through core modules comprising of **Advanced Contract Law**, **Consumer Protection Law**, **Law of Sale & Lease**, and **Interpretation & Drafting of Contracts**.

The programme culminates in a **Dissertation**, allowing students to undertake original research on a specialised topic within contract law, thereby contributing to legal scholarship and developing advanced research methodologies. Graduates of this LLM degree will possess the specialised knowledge and critical thinking skills to excel in roles requiring advanced contractual expertise, including legal advisory, corporate law, commercial litigation, and academic pursuits.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

A Bachelor of Laws degree on NQF level 8 with an average of 60% across all modules on the degree.

- If a student did not obtain the required average of 60%, but has a proven record of relevant work experience, an admissions examination may be required OR a portfolio consisting of recent research-based essays, assignments, or relevant work may be required.

Applicants must have completed a Legal Research Module on NQF level 8 as part of the Bachelor of Laws.

- Bridging course: If an applicant does not comply with this requirement, they must first complete STADIO's Legal Research Methodology module (a semester module offered on NQF level 8).



MINIMUM SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS

- Wi-Fi: Reliable broadband Internet access (Wi-Fi is available on all of our campuses, but you may prefer access from home as well).
- Web browser: Edge/Chrome/Safari/Opera/FireFox.
- Computer/Laptop: A current Windows or Apple Mac computer/laptop capable of running the Office 365 software. Office 365 includes Word, Excel, PowerPoint and Outlook.
- PDF Viewer: The free Adobe Acrobat software.
- Scanning documents: Ability to scan and upload documents (typically from your cellphone or smartphone).
- Email/cellphone for notification and communication.
- Communication: A cellphone or smartphone for receiving notifications and communication.

CURRICULUM OUTLINE

1st YEAR	SEMESTER 1
Compulsory (All)	Advanced Contract Law ACL192 (30 credits)
	Consumer Protection Law CPL192 (30 credits)
1st YEAR	SEMESTER 2
Compulsory (All)	Law of Sale and Lease LSL192 (30 credits)
	Interpretation and Drafting of Contracts IDC192 (30 credits)
2nd YEAR	SEMESTER 1
Compulsory	Dissertation MLD192 (60 credits)
CREDITS PER YEAR	180

MODULE PREREQUISITES

The Master of Laws in Contract Law consists of four substantive law modules and one dissertation module. The four substantive law modules are a prerequisite for the dissertation module.

RULES OF PROGRESSION

Year 1, Semester 1, Advanced Contract Law (L9/30 credits)

Year 1, semester 1, Consumer Protection Law (L9/30 credits)

Year 1, semester 2, Law of Sale and Lease (L9/30 credits)

Year 1, semester 2, Interpretation and Drafting of Contracts (L9/30 credits)

Year 2, semester 1 Dissertation (L9/60 credits)

ARTICULATION POSSIBILITIES

This qualification articulates into an LLD alternatively to a Ph.D.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

ATTORNEY SPECIALISING IN CONTRACT LAW	ACADEMIC SPECIALISING IN CONTRACT LAW
ADVOCATE SPECIALISING IN CONTRACT LAW	LEGAL COUNSELLOR SPECIALISING IN CONTRACT LAW