

# **BACHELOR OF LAWS**

NQF 8 | MIN. 490 CREDITS | SAQA ID: 122316 | MIN. 4 YEARS MODE OF DELIVERY: DISTANCE LEARNING

### **DESCRIPTION**

This qualification recognises the skills and knowledge expected of stakeholders or individuals seeking positions in the law environment. The programme is designed to equip students for the demands of the legal and academic environments in democratic South Africa, as well as taking responsibility in relevant societal contexts.

The Bachelor of Laws degree is aimed at producing competent, skilled and dynamic legal graduates, equipped with a firm knowledge and understanding of the relevant legal principles. It furthermore provides the foundation for Master's level study and develops research capacity in the methodology and techniques of the discipline.

Flexibility is provided with a choice of electives such as Intellectual Property Law, Law Related to Business Distress and Legal Strategy, in order for graduates to specialise in specific fields of the law.

# **ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

- a Senior Certificate (SC) with degree endorsement; OR
- a National Senior Certificate (NSC) with a minimum of 50% in four 20-credit subjects, and a minimum of 40% in English Home Language or 50% in English First Additional Language (students who did not obtain 50% in English First Additional Language have to complete an online bridging module in English); OR
- a National Senior Certificate Vocational Level 4 (NC(V)) with a minimum of 60% in three fundamental subjects including English; and minimum 70% in four vocational subjects; **OR**
- a Higher Certificate (NQF 5), Advanced Certificate (NQF 6) or Diploma (NQF 6) in the field of law, management or commerce: **QR**
- The STADIO Higher Certificate in Paralegal Studies or Management (NQF 5); or the STADIO Diploma in Management (NQF 6).

#### **NAMIBIAN STUDENTS**

Alternative admission requirements

• 25 points over 5 modules





#### 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).
- 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.

# **ARTICULATION POSSIBILITIES**

The programme provides access to the legal industry to individuals who want to practice as legal practitioners. The programme also serves the entry qualification into a Master of Laws (LLM).



# **CURRICULUM OUTLINE**

	1st YEAR	2nd YEAR	3rd YEAR	4th YEAR
Compulsory (All)	African Studies AFS152 (20 credits)	African Customary Law LAC262 (10 credits)	Administrative Justice LAJ372 (10 credits)	Civil Procedure LCP482 (20 credits)
	End-User Computing EUC152 (10 credits)	Constitutional Law LCO262 (20 credits)	Company Law COL372 (10 credits)	Criminal Procedure LPR482 (20 credits)
	Family Law LFL162 (10 credits)	Introduction to Leadership and Ethics LDE252 (20 credits)	Criminal Law LCR372 (20 credits)	International Law LIT482 (10 credits)
	Introduction to Law ITL152 (15 credits)	Labour Law LLA262 (20 credits)	Human Rights Law LAH372 (10 credits)	Law of Damages LDA482 (10 credits)
	Law of Persons LOP162 (10 credits)	Law of Contract LOC262 (20 credits)	Insolvency Law IOL372 (10 credits)	Law of Evidence LEV482 (20 credits)
	Legal Foundations LFD152 (20 credits)	Law of Succession LOS262 (20 credits)	Jurisprudence in an African Context LJU372 (10 credits)	Legal Research Essay LRM482B (20 credits)
	Legal Skills LSK152 (15 credits)	Statutory Interpretation SIL262 (20 credits)	Law of Delict LOD372 (20 credits)	Legal Research Methodology LRM482A (10 credits)
	Social Justice LSJ162 (20 credits)		Law of Property LPY372 (20 credits)	
			Special Contracts LSP372 (10 credits)	
Electives (choose one)				Intellectual Property Law IPL482 (10 credits) OR Law Relating to Business Distress LBD482 (10 credits) OR Legal Strategy LLS482 (10 credits)
CREDITS PER YEAR	120	130	120	120

# The following pre-requisites apply for purposes of the 4-year LLB degree:

- 1. Company Law: Students must first complete Law of Contract.
- 2. Law of Property: Students must first complete Law of Persons and Family Law.
- 3. Law of Delict: Students must first complete Law of Persons and Family Law.
- 4. Legal Research Essay: Students must first complete Legal Research Methodology.
- 5. Special Contracts: Students must first complete Law of Contract.

In addition to the pre-requisites set out in 1-5 students will not be allowed to progress to Year 3, if they have any module outstanding from Year 1. Similarly, students who any Year 2 modules outstanding, will not be allowed to progress to Year 4.

# **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

LEGAL ADVISORS	JUDGES
PROSECUTORS	COMPANY SECRETARIES
ATTORNEYS	MAGISTRATES
ADVOCATES	