

## Juris Doctor (DJUR) - JD

	External
<b>Semester intake:</b>	Semester 1 (February) Semester 2 (July)
<b>Fees:</b>	Domestic full fee paying place International full fee paying place
<b>Standard duration:</b>	3 years full-time, up to 6 years part-time
<b>Program articulation:</b>	To: <a href="#">Master of Laws (Research)</a>

### Contact us

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### Professional accreditation

The Juris Doctor has been accredited by the [Legal Practitioners Admissions Board, Queensland](#), and the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Queensland as an approved academic qualification under the *Supreme Court (Admission) Rules 2004 (Qld)*. This will partially satisfy the requirements to practise as a solicitor or barrister in Queensland, or as a lawyer elsewhere in Australia. Intending solicitors and barristers must also complete an approved practical legal training course in order to become admitted to practise law. USQ does not offer practical legal training, but advice on practical legal training programs can be obtained through [Ask USQ](#).

### Program aims

The Juris Doctor is a graduate entry program (for non-law graduates) that provides students with the opportunity for a comprehensive study of law, not only to prepare for practice as a solicitor or barrister in Queensland but also to examine the legal process and its social, political and economic context.

The program aims to equip students with an academic qualification for professional practice.

While this is a focused program preparing students for professional practice with particular skills in applied legal research, it also builds the special capabilities that a legal education can offer, such as complex problem-solving and policy analysis.

### Program objectives

Upon completion of the Juris Doctor students will be able to:

- demonstrate an advanced and integrated understanding of a coherent body of knowledge that includes the fundamental areas of law, the Australian legal system, and underlying principles and concepts (including international and comparative contexts), the broader contexts within which legal issues arise, the principles and values of justice and of ethical practice in lawyers' roles, and contemporary developments in law and its professional practice

- demonstrate an advanced and integrated understanding of approaches to ethical decision making, an ability to recognise and reflect upon, and a developing ability to respond to, ethical issues likely to arise in professional contexts
- demonstrate an ability to recognise and reflect upon the professional responsibilities of lawyers in promoting justice and in service to the community; and a developing ability to exercise professional judgment
- identify and articulate complex legal issues; and apply legal reasoning and research to generate appropriate jurisprudential and practical responses to legal issues
- engage in critical analysis and make reasoned and appropriate choices amongst alternatives
- demonstrate sophisticated cognitive and creative skills in approaching legal issues and generating appropriate responses
- demonstrate the intellectual and practical skills needed to justify and interpret theoretical propositions, legal methodologies, conclusions and professional decisions, as well as to identify, research, evaluate and synthesise relevant factual, legal and policy issues
- communicate in ways that are effective, appropriate and persuasive for legal and non-legal audiences; and collaborate effectively
- work with a high level of autonomy, accountability and professionalism; reflect on and assess their own capabilities and performance; and make use of feedback, as appropriate, to support personal and professional development.

## Australian Qualifications Framework

The Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) is a single national, comprehensive system of qualifications offered by higher education institutions (including universities), vocational education and training institutions and secondary schools. Each AQF qualification has a set of descriptors which define the type and complexity of knowledge, skills and application of knowledge and skills that a graduate who has been awarded that qualification has attained, and the typical volume of learning associated with that qualification type.

This program is at AQF Qualification Level 09. Graduates at this level will have specialised knowledge and skills for research, and/or professional practice and/or further learning.

The full set of levels criteria and qualification type descriptors can be found by visiting [www.aqf.edu.au](http://www.aqf.edu.au).

## Admission requirements

To be eligible for admission, applicants must satisfy the following requirements:

- Completion of an Australian university three-year Bachelor degree in an area other than law, or equivalent.
- English Language Proficiency requirements for Category 3.

All students are required to satisfy the applicable [English language requirements](#).

If students do not meet the English language requirements they may apply to study a University-approved [English language program](#). On successful completion of the English language program, students may be admitted to an award program.

## Program fees

### Domestic full fee paying place

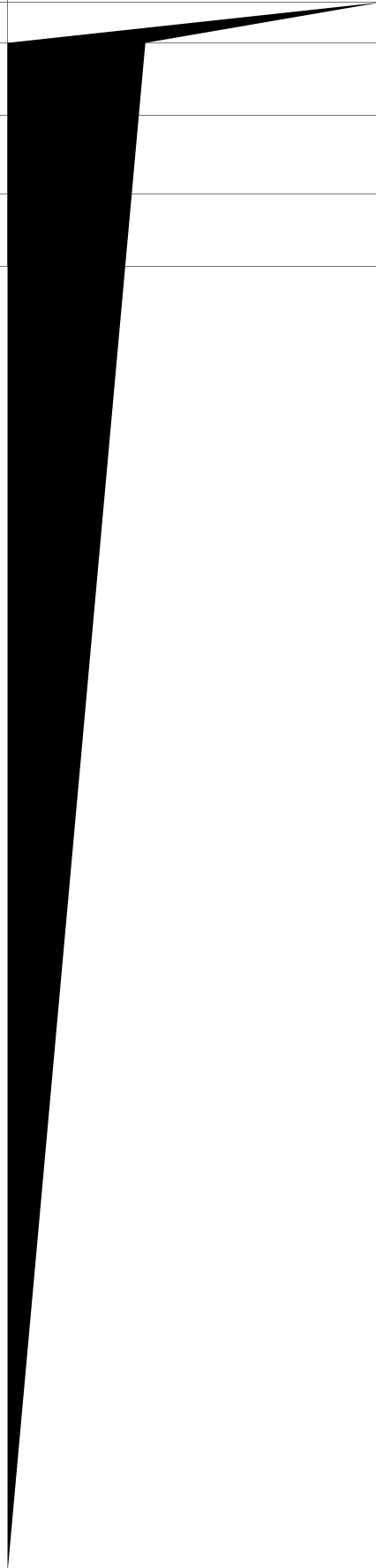
Domestic full fee paying places are funded entirely through the full fees paid by the student. Full fees vary depending on the courses that are taken. Students are able to calculate the fees for a particular course via the [Course Fee Finder](#).

Domestic full fee paying students may be eligible to defer their fees through a Government loan called [FEE-HELP](#) provided they meet the residency and citizenship requirements.

Australian citizens, Permanent Humanitarian Visa holders, Permanent Resident visa holders and New Zealand citizens who will be resident outside Australia for the duration of their program pay full tuition fees and are not eligible for [FEE-Help](#).

**International full fee paying place**

International students pay full fees. Full fees vary depending on the courses that are taken and whether they are studied on-campus, via distance education/online. S

LAW3444 Competition and Consumer Law	1		1
LAW3463 Private International Law	2		
LAW3465 Comparative Law	1	1	
LAW3466 Moot Court Bench	1		1
LAW3467 Health Law	1	1	
LAW3468 Regional and Rural Legal Practice *			
LAW3469 Australian Criminal Codes	1	1	
LAW3470 Principles of Public Law	2	2	
LAW3471 Criminology	1	1	1
LAW3472 Local Government Law	3		
LAW3473 Construction Law	1	1	1
LAW3476 Privacy and Data Protection Law	1		
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LAW8118 International Business Law	1		
LAW8701 Constitutional Human Rights	2		2
LAW8703 Comparative Employment Law	2		2
LAW8704 Corporate Governance Law	2	2	
LAW8705 Cross-border Litigation	2	2	
LAW8706 International Humanitarian Law	2	2	
LAW8707 International Economic Law			
LAW8708 Law of International Trade and Transport			
LAW8709 Comparative Native Title Law and Policy	1	1	
LAW8711 Law of Capital Markets	2	2	

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- (1) the course that was successfully completed at another university deals in substance with the topics that are set out in that area of knowledge
- (2) the course was undertaken in a jurisdiction that has an approved academic qualification for the purposes of admission as a lawyer in any Australian territory.

Credit from a course in the Juris Doctor program is granted if:

- (1) the workload for the course successfully completed at another university is at least 70% of the workload required for the course being granted
- (2) at least 70% of the content successfully completed at the other university is similar to the content of the course being granted.

Credit may be permitted for a course that is equivalent in content and level, successfully completed recently with a recognised institution of higher learning.

### Recommended enrolment

Students are able to enrol in courses (on-campus, external or online), regardless of the program mode of study.

The flexibility of this program for students means there will be a range of enrolment patterns. The enrolment pattern. Students requiring assistance should contact the Law and Arts.

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