

# Study After Law School



The postgraduate programs offered at the Adelaide Law School enable students to further develop legal skills across a broad range of interests.

### Why study as a postgraduate?

- Specialise in areas of commercial law, or wish to improve their scholarly skills
- Improve employability
- Develop knowledge in a particular area of interest
- Career path where postgraduate study is a requirement.
- Work alongside leading experts and legal minds
- Develop new approaches to cutting-edge legal problems
- Become highly credentialed experts in a specific field of law
- Develop a global presence and awareness

Postgraduate study is conceptualised into two streams: High Degree By Research and Coursework.

### Coursework programs

**Master of Laws:  
24 Units over 1 year Full Time**

### Program Requirements

There are four different entry pathways. Students must have either completed:

1. A Honours degree of Bachelor of Laws; or
2. A Bachelor of Laws and the GDLP; or

3. A Bachelor of Laws and substantial profession experience within the profession (this is considered to be at least two years of practice as either a barrister or a solicitor); or
4. A Bachelor of Laws and substantial research experience within the profession (this is the ability to demonstrate knowledge of underlying legal principles at an advanced level)



## Program Highlights

- Students focus their program through a broad range of elective options
- Advance legal writing, reasoning and analytical skills
- Study with legal professionals, judges and international academics
- Complete a substantial research piece of scholarship

## Master of Comparative Law: 30 Units 15 months

### Program Requirements

At least a credit average in your Bachelor of Laws undergraduate degree

### Program Highlights

- Joint program at the Adelaide Law School and the prestigious University of Mannheim Law School in Germany.
- First semester in Adelaide, the second in Mannheim and the third in Adelaide during which students complete a dissertation
- Entire program conducted in English
- Explore different legal

systems and examine diversity in order to understand, improve and reconcile differences

- Study the different systems of law across the globe, including common, civil and even Islamic law

## Postgraduate Higher Degree by Research programs

### Why study a Higher Degree by Research?

- Ensure that legal mechanisms develop alongside developing areas such as technology, medicine, warfare and economies
- Work alongside leading experts
- Develop new approaches to cutting-edge legal problems
- Become highly credentialed experts in a specific field of law

## Master of Philosophy (MPhil): 2 years (maximum)

### Program Requirements

A University of Adelaide Bachelor degree with a minimum of a distinction average (6.0 GPA)

## Doctor of Philosophy (PhD): 2 years (maximum)

### Program Requirements

You will need one of the following:

1. A relevant University of Adelaide Honours degree with at least a second-class Honours; or
2. A postgraduate coursework degree which contains a significant research component and meets the minimum GPA requirements; or
3. A relevant University of Adelaide Research Master (or equivalent)

## Higher Degree by Research Applications

The first step is to seek a supervisor. Lodge an HDR application form directly to the Adelaide Law school via the link:

<https://law.adelaide.edu.au/research/higher-degrees-by-research>

## Useful Links, Contacts and Info:

- SATAC: <https://www.satac.edu.au/postgraduate>
- Master of Laws: [https://www.adelaide.edu.au/degree-finder/mlawc\\_llmcwk.html](https://www.adelaide.edu.au/degree-finder/mlawc_llmcwk.html)
- Master of Comparative Law: <https://law.adelaide.edu.au/postgraduate#master-of-comparative-law-adelaide-mannheim>
- Doctor of Philosophy: [https://www.adelaide.edu.au/degree-finder/hdrdoctor\\_philosophy.html](https://www.adelaide.edu.au/degree-finder/hdrdoctor_philosophy.html)
- Postgraduate course advisor contact Justine Dzonsons 8313 0307 via [justine.dzonsons@adelaide.edu.au](mailto:justine.dzonsons@adelaide.edu.au) or [lawenquiry@adelaide.edu.au](mailto:lawenquiry@adelaide.edu.au)
- University of Adelaide students can lodge an internal transfer request if intending to study the postgraduate program in the semester following completion of the LLB. See <https://admissions.adelaide.edu.au/itrHomePage>.
- Scholarships: <https://www.adelaide.edu.au/graduatecentre/scholarships>

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