BACHELOR OF INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY/BACHELOR OF LAWS (HONOURS) (2837)

Approved Abbreviation: BICT/LLB(Hons)
Western Sydney University Program Code: 2837
AQF Level: 8

CRICOS code: 108427J

This program applies to students who commenced in 2022 or later.

This program is designed for high achieving law students in the Bachelor of Information and Communications Technology/Bachelor of Laws program who wish to undertake an extended level of study and research in Law. An honours degree indicates academic excellence in a professional context and, as an Australian Qualifications Framework Level 8 (https://www.aqf.edu.au/aqf-levels/) qualification, students may also have direct entry into postgraduate programs including Masters and Doctor of Philosophy programs.

There is no direct entry into the Honours program. Entry is by application only following completion of at least 160 credit points of Law study and by meeting specified criteria (see Admission details). As an embedded honours program, students are not required to undertake an additional period of study. Further details regarding the honours program and its requirements are available at: Honours in Law (https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/schools/sol/honours/) and School of Law Honours Guidelines (https://policies.westernsydney.edu.au/download.php?associated=1&id=498&version=4).

The Bachelor of Laws (Honours) program satisfies the academic degree requirements for admission to practice as an Australian lawyer. Students will engage in collaborative face-to-face problem and case-based learning, will be supported by online learning materials, and will participate in authentic assessment to develop knowledge and skills. The program provides students with a broad progressive legal education with a strong practical orientation to the law. Students develop skills in problem-solving, critical thinking, research, communication, collaboration, self-management, and ethical and professional awareness and judgement. Students will have the opportunity to develop skills in legal advocacy, negotiation, and legal technology and extend their professional and learning experiences through work integrated learning, clinical placement and international exchange engagements.

Study Mode

Five years full-time. Information and Communications Technology subjects are offered at Penrith, Campbelltown and Parramatta campuses and Law subjects are offered at Campbelltown and Parramatta campuses. Students may be required to travel between campuses in order to complete their core subjects.

Program Advice

courseadvicelaw@westernsydney.edu.au (https://directory.westernsydney.edu.au/search/email/courseadvicelaw@westernsydney.edu.au)

Prospective students should visit the following websites for general enquiries about this program.

Enquire about this program (https://enquiry.westernsydney.edu.au/courseenquiry/)| Local Admission (https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/future/) | International Admission (https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/international/home/apply/admissions/) |

Location

Campus	Attendance	Mode	Advice
Campbelltown Campus	Full Time	Internal	See Above
Campbelltown Campus	Part TIme	Internal	See Above
Parramatta Campus - Victoria Road	Full Time	Internal	See Above
Parramatta Campus - Victoria Road	Part Time	Internal	See Above

Accreditation

Graduates from the Bachelor of Laws (Honours) program are eligible to apply to the Legal Profession Admission Board for admission to legal practice in NSW after undertaking prescribed practical legal training.

Inherent Requirements

There are inherent requirements for this program that you must meet in order to complete your program and graduate. Make sure you read and understand the requirements for this program online.

Inherent Requirements (http://www.westernsydney.edu.au/ir/inherent_requirements/inherent_requirements_for_law_courses/)

Work Integrated Learning

Western Sydney University seeks to enhance student learning experiences by enabling students to engage in the culture, expectations and practices of their profession or discipline. This program includes a placement or other community-based unpaid practical experience.

There is an optional work component available in this program. Please contact the Program Advisor listed above for information.

International students should be aware that if an elective is a requirement of the program but the work itself was not registered with CRICOS, students can still complete these electives but it would be counted towards the work limitation. For more details, refer to the 'Work Integrated Learning (WIL) for international students' website.

Work Integrated Learning (WIL) for international students (https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/currentstudents/current_students/services_and_facilities/international_student_support/working_in_australia/work_integrated_learning/)

Admission

This program is designed for students in the Bachelor of Information and Communications Technology/Bachelor of Laws program who wish to undertake an Honours program.

Students must meet all of the following criteria for admission:

- Completion of at least 160 credit points of law study (or 140 credit points if two Summer subjects are undertaken);
- Demonstration of the likelihood of graduating with an Honours Weighted Average Mark (HWAM) of at least 70 at the time of graduation; or an Admission Average Mark (AAM) of at least 70 at the time of admission to the Honours program. Refer to https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/schools/sol/honours (https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/schools/sol/honours/) for details
- Submission of a 'Nomination of Topics' form which expresses preferences among supervisor-defined topics

and/or describes a student-defined topic in a scholarly manner. Refer to https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/__data/assets/word_doc/0008/1784474/Honours_topic_nomination_form_2020.docx

- Demonstration of satisfactory academic writing skills
- Availability of a principal supervisor

Special Requirements

Students enrolling in these subjects may need to have a National Police Certificate and consent or prohibited employment declarations as they may be conducting their placement in circumstances where they work with minors. This would be managed on an as needs basis:

- LAWS 3077 Legal Internship
- LAWS 3074 Judicial Internship
- LAWS 4017 Access to Justice Clinic
- LAWS 4012 First Nations Peoples' Access to Justice Clinic
- LAWS 3080 Street Law Clinic
- JUST 3011 Issues in the Criminal Justice System (corrective services field trip requirement)- Also records and identity check.

The following units require a visa for the relevant country and the ability to travel at a specified time:

- LAWS 3024 Foundations of Chinese Law
- LAWS 3025 Law, Culture and Entrepreneurial Innovation in India
- LAWS 3078 Legal, Economic and Social Transformation in Taiwan

Program Structure Current

This structure applies to students who commenced in 2023 or later. If you commenced prior to 2023 please refer to the relevant Structure tab for details.

Qualification for a double degree in law requires the successful completion of 400 credit points including the subjects listed in the recommended sequence.

To gain early exit from the combined degree, with a Bachelor of Information and Communications Technology students are required to complete twelve technology subjects (120 credit points), four ICT Minor subjects (40 credit points) (ICT Minor options listed below) and the first eight law subjects (80 credit points) listed in the recommended sequence below including a minimum of 60 credit points at Level 3 or above to meet the completion requirements of a three year (240 credit points) Bachelor's degree. You must seek advice and discuss your options with your Academic Program Advisor.

Students enrolled in the 2837 Bachelor of Information and Communications Technology/Bachelor of Laws (Honours) will only be eligible to graduate from their Bachelor of Laws (Honours) degree upon completion of the entire 400 credit point course. Students enrolled in this program who wish to graduate with a standalone law degree prior to completion of the entire Bachelor of Information and Communications Technology component must transfer to program 2829 Bachelor of Laws (Non Graduate Entry) (Honours) which requires the completion of 320 credit points (inclusive of 80 credit points of non-LLB study).

It may be possible to vary the sequence of subjects so that students study a greater concentration of either law or technology each semester, to minimise travel between campuses and to overcome timetabling problems. Students should speak to their Academic Program Advisor as needed.

Students must complete 240 credit points of Law subjects comprising:

- 160 credit points of specified core subjects to meet Priestly 11 accreditation requirements:
- 10 credit points Research Training Component (LAWS 4016 (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/search/?P=LAWS%204016) Legal Research and Methodology)
- 20 credit points Research Component (LAWS 4011 (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/search/?P=LAWS%204011) Law Honours Dissertation)
- 50 credit points of LLB alternate subjects.

Information and Communication Technology (ICT) Minors

Please choose one of the following:

Cloud Computing, Minor (0128) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/cloud-computing-minor/)

Cyber Security and Ethical Hacking, Minor (0326) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/cyber-security-ethical-hacking-minor/)

Data Science and Machine Learning, Minor (0322) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/data-science-machine-learning-minor/)

Games Development, Minor (0323) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/games-development/)

Graphics and Visual Simulation, Minor (0324) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/graphics-visual-simulation-minor/)

Health Informatics, Minor (0037) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/health-informatics-minor/)

Multimedia Computing, Minor (0328) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/multimedia-computing-minor-0328/)

Networking, Minor (0040) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/networking-minor/)

Software Development, Minor (0329) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/software-development-minor-0329/)

Ubiquitous Computing, Minor (0325) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/ubiquitous-computing/)

Recommended Sequence Current

This sequence applies to students who commenced in 2023 or later. If you commenced prior to 2023 please refer to the relevant sequence tab for details.

Qualification for this award requires the successful completion of 400 credit points as per the recommended sequence below.

Full-time start-year intake

Course	Title	Credit Points
Year 1		
Autumn session		
LAWS 1003	Fundamentals of Australian Law	10
LAWS 2004	Criminal Law	10
COMP 1005	Programming Fundamentals	10
INFO 1003	Professional Practice, Communication and Ethics	10
	Credit Points	**40**

Spring session

LAWS 1009	Legal Analysis and Critique	10
LAWS 2013	Torts Law	10
COMP 2015	Programming Techniques	10
COMP 2021	Software Engineering Fundamentals	10
	Credit Points	**40**

Year 2

Autumn session

LAWS 2003	Contracts	10
LAWS 2015	Professional Responsibility and Legal Ethics	10
MATH 1038	Mathematics for Computing	10
HUMN 1013	Contextualising Indigenous Australia (Day Mode)	10
	Credit Points	**40**

Spring session

LAWS 2001	Alternative Dispute Resolution	10
INFS 2001	Database Design and Development	10
COMP 3028	Software Construction	10
COMP 2004	Computer Networking	10
	Credit Points	**40**

Year 3

Autumn session

COMP 2027	Cyber Security	10
Select three ICT minor subjects		30
	Credit Points	**40**

Spring session

LAWS 2008	Government and Public Law	10
COMP 3018	Professional Experience	10
INFO 3019	Project Management	10
Select one ICT minor subject		10
	Credit Points	**40**

Year 4

Autumn session

LAWS 3018	Equity & Trusts	10
LAWS 3082	Property Law	10
Select two LLB alternate subjects		20
	Credit Points	**40**

Spring session

LAWS 3081	Administrative Law	10
LAWS 3045	Law of Associations	10
Select two LLB alternate subjects		20
	Credit Points	**40**

Year 5

Autumn session

LAWS 4015	Constitutional Law	10
LAWS 4004	Criminal Procedure and Evidence	10
LAWS 4016	Legal Research and Methodology	10
Select one LLB alternate subject		10
	Credit Points	**40**

Spring session

LAWS 4014	Remedies	10
LAWS 4013	Civil Procedure and Arbitration	10

LAWS 4011	Law Honours Dissertation	20
	Credit Points	**40**
	Total Credit Points	**400**

LLB Alternate Subjects

Students must complete 50 credit points of subjects from the list of Bachelor of Laws alternate subjects below.

Subject	Title	Credit Points
LAWS 4017	Access to Justice Clinic	10
LAWS 3001	Advanced Family Law	10
LAWS 4003	Advanced Taxation Law	10
LAWS 3002	Advanced Torts and Civil Wrongs	10
LAWS 3003	Advocacy	10
LAWS 3090	Animal Law	10
LAWS 3004	Anti-Discrimination Law	10
LAWS 3005	Australian Competition Law	10
LAWS 3006	Australian Consumer Law	10
LAWS 3007	Banking and Securities Law	10
LAWS 2014	Bioethics	10
LAWS 3089	Children's Rights: Local and International	10
LAWS 3011	Comparative Law: Legal Systems of the World	10
LAWS 3013	Conflict of Laws	10
LAWS 3088	Construction Law	10
LAWS 3014	Corporate Governance	10
LAWS 3015	Cyber Law and Justice	10
LAWS 4010	Designing Law Apps for Access to Justice	10
LAWS 3096	Drug Policy and Law	10
LAWS 3016	Elder Law	10
LAWS 3022	Family Dispute Resolution	10
LAWS 3023	Family Law	10
LAWS 2005	Financial Services Law	10
LAWS 2007	First Peoples and the Australian Legal System	10
LAWS 4012	First Nations Peoples' Access to Justice Clinic	10
LAWS 3024	Foundations of Chinese Law	10
LAWS 2017	Indonesia: Law, Governance and Culture	10
LAWS 3025	Law, Culture and Entrepreneurial Innovation in India	10
LAWS 3083	Gender and the Law	10
LAWS 3091	Globalisation, Law, Governance and Culture	10
LAWS 3028	Human Rights and the Asia Pacific	10
LAWS 3027	Human Rights Law	10
LAWS 3029	Immigration Law	10
JUST 3008	Independent Study (Law)	10
LAWS 3030	Information and Data Governance Law and Regulation	10
LAWS 3031	Insolvency Law and Policy	10
LAWS 3032	Intellectual Property	10
LAWS 3033	International Business Transactions Law	10
LAWS 3034	International Criminal Law	10
LAWS 4007	International Environmental Law	10
LAWS 3039	Islam, International Law and Human Rights	10
JUST 3011	Issues in the Criminal Justice System	10
LAWS 3074	Judicial Internship	10
LAWS 3042	Jurisprudence	10
LAWS 3079	Law, Economics, Ethics and Change	10

LAWS 3084	Law and Literature	10
LAWS 3044	Law and Public Policy	10
LAWS 3046	Law of Employment	10
LAWS 3047	Law of International Organisations	10
LAWS 3048	Law of the Sea	10
LAWS 3085	Law of War	10
LAWS 3075	Law's Self-Understanding	10
LAWS 3078	Legal, Economic and Social Transformation in Taiwan	10
LAWS 3077	Legal Internship	10
LAWS 4016	Legal Research and Methodology	10
LAWS 3086	Managing Legal Risk in Construction Law	10
LAWS 3049	Media Law	10
JUST 2013	Mediation	10
LAWS 3050	Medical Law	10
LAWS 3052	Mental Health Law	10
LAWS 3053	Moot Court	10
LAWS 3055	Planning and Environment Law	10
LAWS 3061	Public Health Law	10
LAWS 3063	Public International Law	10
LAWS 3097	Refugee Law	10
LAWS 2012	Regulatory Risk and Compliance	10
LAWS 4008	Revenue Law	10
LAWS 3067	Self-Managed Superannuation and Trusts	10
LAWS 3068	Space Law - Commercial Aspects	10
LAWS 3087	Sports Law	10
LAWS 3080	Street Law Clinic	10
LAWS 3076	Technology, Innovation and the Law	10
LAWS 3071	Wills and Succession	10
LAWS 3072	Work Health and Safety Law	10

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Program Structure 2022

This structure applies to students who commenced in 2022. If you commenced in 2023 or later please refer to the relevant Structure tab for details.

Qualification for a double degree in law requires the successful completion of 400 credit points including the subjects listed in the recommended sequences for the relevant double degree programs.

To gain early exit from the combined degree, with a Bachelor of Information and Communications Technology students are required to complete 16 technology subjects and the first eight law subjects listed in the recommended sequence below.

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- 10 credit points Research Training Component (LAWS 4016 Legal Research and Methodology)
- 20 credit points Research Component (LAWS 4011 Law Honours Dissertation)
- 50 credit points of LLB alternate subjects.

Recommended Sequence 2022

This sequence applies to students who commenced in 2022. If you commenced in 2023 or later please refer to the relevant sequence tab for details.

Qualification for this award requires the successful completion of 400 credit points as per the recommended sequence below.

Full-time start-year intake

Course	Title	Credit Points
Year 1		
Autumn session		
LAWS 1003	Fundamentals of Australian Law	10
LAWS 2004	Criminal Law	10
COMP 1005	Programming Fundamentals	10
INFS 1006	Systems Analysis and Design	10
	Credit Points	**40**
Spring session		
LAWS 1009	Legal Analysis and Critique	10
LAWS 2013	Torts Law	10
COMP 2015	Programming Techniques	10
INFS 2001	Database Design and Development	10
	Credit Points	**40**
Year 2		
Autumn session		
LAWS 2003	Contracts	10
LAWS 2015	Professional Responsibility and Legal Ethics	10
COMP 2020	Technologies for Web Applications	10
INFS 2006	Object Oriented Analysis	10
	Credit Points	**40**
Spring session		
LAWS 2001	Alternative Dispute Resolution	10
INFS 3017	Web Systems Development	10
MATH 1030	Statistics for Business	10
COMP 2004	Computer Networking	10
	Credit Points	**40**
Year 3		
Autumn session		
COMP 3015	Operating Systems Programming	10
INFO 3003	Human-Computer Interaction	10
INFO 3008	Professional Development	10

COMP 3007	Computer Networks and Internets	10
	Credit Points	**40**
Spring session		
LAWS 2008	Government and Public Law	10
COMP 3018	Professional Experience	10
COMP 3020	Social Web Analytics	10
INFO 3011	Social Computing	10
	Credit Points	**40**
Year 4		
Autumn session		
LAWS 3018	Equity & Trusts	10
LAWS 3082	Property Law	10
Select two LLB alternate subjects		20
	Credit Points	**40**
Spring session		
LAWS 3081	Administrative Law	10
LAWS 3045	Law of Associations	10
Select two LLB alternate subjects		20
	Credit Points	**40**
Year 5		
Autumn session		
LAWS 4015	Constitutional Law	10
LAWS 4004	Criminal Procedure and Evidence	10
LAWS 4016	Legal Research and Methodology	10
Select one LLB alternate subject		10
	Credit Points	**40**
Spring session		
LAWS 4014	Remedies	10
LAWS 4013	Civil Procedure and Arbitration	10
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Equivalent Subjects

The subjects listed below count towards completion of the program for students who may have passed subjects in the list in 2022 or earlier.

JUST 4001 Clinical Legal Placement, replaced by LAWS 4017 Access to Justice Clinic