

MASTER OF CONSTRUCTION LAW (3795)

Western Sydney University Program Code: 3795

AQF Level: 9

CRICOS code: 108750J

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

The Master of Construction Law (MCL) program is designed to meet the needs of construction professionals and construction lawyers from Australia and overseas. Potential applicants into this program include professionals in building, construction, engineering and associated industries, law graduates, and legal practitioners working in construction. Working with lecturers who are leaders in their fields, students will have a unique opportunity to gain an advanced understanding of construction law and its interaction with the commerce and practice of the industry via online and face-to-face delivery modes. This program will prepare students for a career as a contract consultant, contracts manager, contract administrator, arbitrator, expert witness, adjudicator, mediator, conciliator and claims consultant in the construction industry, and will enable legal practitioners and law graduates to develop specialised skills and knowledge to develop careers in the construction law industry.

This program does NOT satisfy the academic degree requirements for admission to practice as an Australian lawyer.

Early Exit

A Graduate Diploma in Construction Law (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/graduate-diploma-construction-law-exit/>) is available to students who may wish to exit the program after completing four subjects including two core subjects.

Study Mode

One year full-time or two years part-time.

Program Advice

Program Advice (edbe@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
Parramatta City - Macquarie Street campus	Internal	Full-time	See above
Parramatta City - Macquarie Street campus	Internal	Part-time	See above
Parramatta - Victoria Road campus	Internal	Full-time	See above

Parramatta - Victoria Road campus	Internal	Part-time	See above
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Accreditation Note

Accreditation with Australian Institute of Building (AIB), Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS) and Chartered Institute of Building (CIOB) will be sought.

Applicants must have successfully completed, in any jurisdiction, a

Bachelor of Laws (Honours) degree, or Juris Doctor degree, or equivalent or higher OR a Bachelor Honours degree in construction or a related field, or higher

OR

Bachelor of Laws degree, or equivalent OR a Bachelor degree in construction or a related field AND 2 years' full time equivalent documented relevant professional experience

OR

Bachelor of Laws degree, or equivalent OR a Bachelor degree in construction or a related field AND 1 year full time equivalent documented relevant professional experience AND successful completion of four subjects of a Graduate Diploma in Laws, construction or a related field

Additional Information

Meeting these requirements does not guarantee selection. A Selection Committee will consider applicants' prior academic performance and professional experience.

The applicant does not have to be admitted to practice as a lawyer in a jurisdiction.

Applications from Australian and New Zealand citizens and holders of permanent resident visas may be made via the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) or directly through the Western Portal. Use the links below to apply via UAC or Western Sydney University. Applications made directly to Western Sydney do not have an application fee.

<http://www.uac.edu.au/>

<https://westernsydney.uac.edu.au/ws/>

Applicants who have undertaken studies overseas may have to provide proof of proficiency in English. Local applicants who are applying through the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) will find details of minimum English proficiency requirements and acceptable proof on the UAC website. Local applicants applying directly to the University should also use the information provided on the UAC website.

<http://www.uac.edu.au/>

All other International applicants must apply directly to the University via the International Office.

International students applying to the University through the International Office can find details of minimum English proficiency requirements and acceptable proof on their website.

International Office (<http://www.westernsydney.edu.au/international/>)

Overseas qualifications must be deemed by the Australian Education International - National Office of Overseas Skills Recognition (AEI-NOOSR) to be equivalent to Australian qualifications in order to be considered by UAC and Western Sydney University.

Qualification for this award requires the successful completion of 80 credit points as per the recommended sequence below.

Exit Awards

Students may exit with the 3796 Graduate Diploma in Construction Law (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/graduate-diploma-construction-law-exit/>) (Exit only) (40 credit points) on completion of the relevant subjects as specified in the program structure.

Start-year Intake

Course	Title	Credit Points
Year 1		
Autumn session		
BLDG 7001	Advanced Contract Management	10
BLDG 7007	Interpreting Building Regulations (Residential Buildings)	10
LAWS 6003	Managing Legal Risk in Construction Law	10
LAWS 5005	Construction Law	10
Credit Points		40
Spring session		
BLDG 5001	Construction Claims	10
BLDG 7008	Professional Practice and Building Law	10
LAWS 6001	Law of Construction Delay and Disruption	10
LAWS 6002	Remedies in the Construction Context	10
Credit Points		40
Total Credit Points		80

Mid-Year Intake

Course	Title	Credit Points
Year 1		
Spring session		
BLDG 5001	Construction Claims	10
BLDG 7008	Professional Practice and Building Law	10
LAWS 6001	Law of Construction Delay and Disruption	10
LAWS 5005	Construction Law	10
Credit Points		40
Autumn session		
BLDG 7001	Advanced Contract Management	10
BLDG 7007	Interpreting Building Regulations (Residential Buildings)	10
LAWS 6003	Managing Legal Risk in Construction Law	10
LAWS 6002	Remedies in the Construction Context	10
Credit Points		40
Total Credit Points		80