Deakin Law School trains the next generation of lawyers and professionals, who are empowered to use legal skills in an array of global careers.

Law at Deakin attracts some of the brightest and best students in Victoria. It is renowned for its commercial focus and teaching quality. The school consistently ranks among the top in the country for teaching quality and student satisfaction.

Join a top-ranked law school
Deakin Law School (DLS) is highly regarded and ranked as one of Victoria’s top law schools. It is ranked number 53 on the SSRN Top 500 International Law Schools**, 101–150 on QS World University Rankings~ 76–100 on the ARWU and Shanghai rankings†. DLS is also one of 23 law schools in Australia that has received CALD certification^. These rankings are based on several criteria, including research, teaching, employability, facilities, internationalisation and engagement.

** Social Science Research Network (SSRN) Rankings (2017)
~ QS World University Rankings (2017)
† Academic Rankings of World Universities (ARWU) (2017)

Industry leadership to give you real-world expertise
Our DLS Dean, Professor Jenni Lightowlers, was recruited from private practice into the role and she has an ongoing connection with the profession. Her extensive experience and established relationships within the legal sector and industry add to the strong links DLS has already developed and reinforces the orientation of DLS as a school that focuses on graduate outcomes. Professor Lightowlers is the only Dean of law in Australia who is also a practising legal practitioner.

‘The academic and research work DLS produces is amazing and we’ll be reinforcing strong links into real-world professions for our graduates. A Deakin law graduate should be equipped for any job that uses the analytical, smart, technology-savvy, global skill set they’ve acquired. DLS is about the future of the students and I’ll be doing everything possible to provide inspiration, links and sharpen the real-world focus.’

Professor Jenni Lightowlers
Dean of Law, Deakin Law School
Experiential learning to make you job ready

A distinctive feature of our law programs is our focus on experiential learning. The legal profession is highly commercialised and lawyers are increasingly required to provide clients with practical, commercial advice (in addition to pure legal advice). Our focus on experiential education builds these skills in addition to disciplinary knowledge, giving you an edge upon graduation.

Deakin Law Clinic

Deakin Law Clinic provides legal advice and assistance to eligible clients in the following areas:
- Civil and commercial law (Civil and Commercial Practice Group)
- Criminal law (Criminal Law Practice Group)
- Employment law (Employment Law Practice Group)
- Family law (Family Law Practice Group)
- Venture law (Venture Law Information Service).

Students interview real clients under the supervision of qualified solicitors, conduct research on legal issues and offer advice where appropriate. Students also have the opportunity to attend court proceedings in some instances. These clinical programs empower students to expand on the rigorous academic knowledge and the critical and reflective skills they gain during their degree.

Deakin Legal Internship Program

Students can also access internship placements at many law firms, legal aid providers and government offices for credit as part of their Deakin Law School experience. Students develop the practical legal skills and experience that employers look for and graduate work-ready into a competitive employment market.

Travel the world

Deakin offers various programs including exchange, study abroad and international volunteering placements that allow you to study overseas for a few weeks, a trimester or even a year as part of your Deakin degree. Studying overseas helps you to prepare for the global employment market, develop interpersonal and academic skills, and learn another language while travelling and having fun.

Learn without limits

Deakin offers the opportunity to study law across all our campuses, including the Cloud Campus, increasing flexibility and enabling you to fit your study around other commitments.

Our commitment to innovation helps shape your online experience, giving you all the tools and support you need to succeed at university. Join our 14,000-strong community of online students.

Combined courses

Deakin offers combined courses with our Bachelor of Laws, including:
- Bachelor of Arts
- Bachelor of Commerce
- Bachelor of Criminology
- Bachelor of International Studies
- Bachelor of Property and Real Estate
- Bachelor of Science.

These courses enable you to complete two degrees in five years – saving you time and money. You will gain a powerful combination of skills and knowledge, giving you an advantage in the workplace.
Law at Deakin

Law

Law at Deakin provides the robust training and recognised qualifications you need to launch your career as a first-class legal practitioner. You’ll get a sound legal education in all of the major areas of legal practice, including commercial law, criminal law and procedure, health law, mining and energy law. Throughout the degree you’ll develop legal skills including negotiation, mediation, preparing for court appearances, legal drafting and statutory interpretation. You will also have the opportunity to benefit from professional work experience and law clinics.

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Study areas

A centre for excellence in commercial law, DLS offers a range of study and research areas including corporate law, intellectual property, tax, competition law and corporate governance. Alternatively, students may choose to focus their studies in areas such as torts and health law, criminal law and procedure, energy and natural resources law and constitutional law. A number of students at Deakin expand their studies even further by combining their law degree with a degree in commerce, arts, criminology, international studies, property and real estate or science.

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Courses to careers

At Deakin, we’re about careers and experience, not just courses. Visit explore.deakin.edu.au to kickstart your course and career exploration at Deakin. With more than 600 paired courses and careers, it’s the perfect destination for you to explore your future career.

“I chose Deakin because I wanted to study at a university that gave me access to practical learning with a commercial focus. Deakin offered a broad range of subjects to choose from and has a great reputation in the legal industry.”

Phoebe Blank
Bachelor of Laws (Honours)/Bachelor of Commerce
Workplace relations lawyer, McKean Park Lawyers
Bachelor of Laws

Deakin’s Bachelor of Laws satisfies the university component of the requirements to become an Australian lawyer. You will then complete an additional year of work placement as a legal trainee, or undertake a practical legal training course.

This comprehensive course provides in-depth studies in each of the major areas of legal practice, and emphasises practical legal skills training. You’ll study many areas of law, including core units in commercial law, criminal law, criminal procedure, constitutional law, contract, legal practice and ethics, taxation, civil procedure and dispute resolution, property, and more.

Professional recognition

This course fulfills the academic requirements for admission to practise as an Australian lawyer as set by the Victorian Legal Admissions Board (VLAB). In addition to completing the degree, a person seeking admission is required to work for one year as a legal trainee, or to undertake a practical legal training course.

Careers

Our courses are designed to equip you with skills to work in an exciting range of careers, including commercial law, family law, criminal law, litigation, immigration law, tax or personal injury law. Law graduates may also choose to enter the business sector in almost any industry or government service in areas such as law reform, politics or public administration.

Work experience

Prescribed professional experience provides you with an opportunity to enrich your legal education and theoretical knowledge, preparing you for employment in the industry. Deakin Law Clinic is an ideal opportunity for students to gain real-life practical legal experience before the completion of your course.

Legal internship

Deakin also offers Legal Internships, a clinical skills unit that involves you working, for example, at a community legal centre under the supervision of a legal practitioner. This unit not only gives you credit towards your degree, it enhances your overall learning experience, providing you with a unique insight into the community legal centre environment.

Course structure

32 credit points – 16 credit points compulsory core units and 16 credit points elective units. The 16 credit points of electives must include a minimum of 8 credit points of law electives and a minimum of 4 credit points of non-law electives.

Bachelor of Laws (Honours)

In addition to equipping you with an understanding of law and the contexts in which it operates, Deakin’s Bachelor of Laws (Honours) places a significant emphasis on building high-level research skills by providing you with the opportunity to conduct independent legal research.

Professional recognition

Deakin’s Bachelor of Laws (Honours) satisfies the academic requirements needed to become an Australian lawyer as set by the Victorian Legal Admissions Board (VLAB). In addition to completing the degree, a person seeking admission is required to work for one year as a legal trainee, or to undertake a practical legal training course; further, they must satisfy the requirement that they are a fit and proper person.

Careers

The Bachelor of Laws (Honours) degree develops students’ research skills, which are highly prized in legal practice, government, policy and corporate roles. In particular, students who complete the Bachelor of Laws (Honours) have a strong foundation for entry into postgraduate study, as well as potential careers in academia, legal practice and government.

Course structure

4 credit points – two core units and successful completion of the Deakin Law Clinic (M312) with a minimum Weighted Average Mark (WAM) of 65% across the course.

Vis Moot international experience

The Vis Moot and the Vis (East) Moot run annually in Vienna and Hong Kong. Deakin Law School is one of only a few schools that have participated in the Vis and Vis (East) Moot every year since their inception.

It is a mock-arbitration competition where students:

• research two areas of international commercial law (international commercial arbitration and the international sale of goods) in detail and then apply the law to a hypothetical case
• prepare two sets of written legal arguments (one for each side in the dispute)
• prepare for the oral rounds in Hong Kong and Vienna – competing against law schools from around the world just before Easter each year.

Not only will you earn a credit point in International Litigation and Dispute Settlement, but you’ll also be involved in one of the most highly regarded competitions in the profession, which is great for your future career.

In the 2017 competition, the Deakin Law School team placed number one, out of the 125 participating teams, at the end of the general rounds.

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Courses
Combined courses

Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Laws

A law degree, especially when combined with another degree such as arts, is a qualification that offers diverse career opportunities. As an alternative to practising as a lawyer, you may pursue a career in business and management in a wide range of organisations, government services, industrial relations, research, public administration, diplomatic service, legal aid, law reform, or teaching in schools or universities. You may find a role in research, public administration, diplomatic service, the media, legal aid, law reform, or teaching in universities. Broad career paths based on the study of selected commerce units create job prospects ranging from being a professional accountant, IT and systems professional, economist, financial planner, human resources manager, manager, social and economic policy developer, international trade officer and marketing assistant/manager.

Bachelor of Commerce/Bachelor of Laws

This combined course offers unequalled career opportunities. As an alternative to practising as a barrister or solicitor, you may pursue a career in business and management in a wide range of organisations, government services, industrial relations, research, public administration, diplomatic service, legal aid, the media, law reform or teaching in universities. Broad career paths based on the study of selected commerce units create job prospects ranging from being a professional accountant, IT and systems professional, economist, financial planner, human resources manager, manager, social and economic policy developer, international trade officer and marketing assistant/manager.

Bachelor of Criminology/Bachelor of Laws

Combining law with criminology means you'll gain broad theoretical, applied knowledge and skills concerning the meaning of crime; the forms, causes and consequences of crime; the different institutions and processes involved in preventing and controlling crime; policy development, policing and security; and related fields. As a graduate you can choose to pursue a career as a lawyer, or to take on business and management roles in a range of corporate and private organisations and government agencies. Opportunities exist within state and federal police, ASIO (Australia’s national security service) and various correctional services, community services and private security industries.

Bachelor of Laws/Bachelor of International Studies

There has been a pronounced internationalisation of the practice of law in the past decade. This course provides an international perspective, with students committing to study at an overseas university or taking up an internship with an overseas organisation.

Completing this combined degree enables you to develop an understanding of international forces shaping government, business and community life in Australia; analysis and interpret these forces; develop cross-cultural competencies through an internationally oriented curriculum; participate in an international study experience; and learn the principles of the internationalisation of the law.

Bachelor of Property and Real Estate/Bachelor of Laws

The Bachelor of Property and Real Estate/Bachelor of Laws provides you with a thorough understanding of both the law and the property and real estate disciplines, as well as building on the strong synergy between the two.

In addition to providing an innovative and distinctive legal education, the property and real estate component of the course produces highly skilled professionals who are able to enter the workforce with a professionally recognised qualification and are eligible for registration as a Certified Practising Valuer.

Bachelor of Science/Bachelor of Laws

This combined course is an excellent way to enhance your understanding of the context in which the law operates. Combine studies in law with studies in science, including animal biology, cell biology, chemistry and materials science, environmental science, human biology, mathematical modelling, natural history and plant biology. As an alternative to practising as a barrister or solicitor, you may pursue a career in business and management roles in a wide range of organisations, government services, industrial relations, research, public administration, diplomatic service, the media, legal aid, law reform or teaching either in schools or universities. There is also an increasing need for lawyers who understand science and scientists who understand the law to work in specialist roles and to deal with complex, often intertwined scientific and legal issues.

To find out more about our combined courses, including professional recognition, careers, work experience and majors, please visit deakin.edu.au/courses.
Applying to Deakin

Find your course
Browse from the hundreds of exciting undergraduate courses we have on offer at deakin.edu.au. Undergraduate courses at Deakin generally begin in March, and some courses also have intakes in July and November. Once you find the course you’re after, make sure you understand the entry requirements, application methods and application dates.

Understand the entry and documentation requirements
Make sure you understand the entry requirements for your chosen course by reading the course page carefully (online at deakin.edu.au/course or in this booklet). For recent secondary education applicants, in addition to the listed ATAR, some courses may require you to have studied a prerequisite subject(s), while others may also require you to provide extra materials, such as a portfolio or personal statement.

Selection requirements for non-Year 12 applicants may include personal statement, entrance tests as specified, e.g. STAR (Special Tertiary Admissions Test), or the non-academic assessment (for all applicants to teaching courses), supplementary information form, audition, interview or folio presentation.

Gather supporting documents
When applying direct to Deakin as a non-Year 12, it’s important to attach any requested supporting documentation, which may include a CV, academic transcripts, STAT results or a personal statement, otherwise your application may be delayed. We recommend gathering all this documentation before you commence the application process to ensure you can complete it in one sitting.

Apply
Depending on your course, our flexible trimester system means you may be able to start in Trimester 1 (March), 2 (July) or 3 (November). If you’re a recent secondary education applicant, applications for Trimester 1 should be made through VTAC (vtac.edu.au).

If you are a non-Year 12 applying for Trimester 1 for one Deakin course only, you may apply direct to Deakin.* Applications for Trimester 2 or 3 should be made directly to Deakin via the applicant portal at applicantportal.deakin.edu.au.

Contact us
There are many different ways you can get into an undergraduate course at Deakin. No matter your ATAR or education history, we’re here to help you find your pathway to Deakin. Give us a call on 1800 693 888 to discuss your options or email myfuture@deakin.edu.au. You can also try our Pathway Finder tool and explore the options that may be available to you at deakin.edu.au/courses/entry-pathways/pathway-finder.

What type of applicant am I?
Recent secondary education applicant
- Current Year 12 student
- Completed Year 12 in 2017 or 2016
- Intake Year 12 student
- New Zealand school leaver
- International Baccalaureate (IB) student
- Gap-year student

Non-Year 12 applicant
- Applicants with higher education study
- Applicants with VET study
- Applicants with work and life experience

For more information on admission requirements and the type of applicant you are, visit deakin.edu.au/courses/how-to-apply.

You can also call us on 1800 693 888 to discuss your options.

How do I apply?
Applying for your undergraduate degree at Deakin couldn’t be easier. Most applications are straightforward and easy to complete. Follow these steps to make the process as simple as possible. Visit deakin.edu.au/courses/how-to-apply.

Course and entry requirements

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