

approval and implementation. Please contact the law school for updates.

Masters of Laws (LLM)

The LLM is offered under two modes:

- **LLM by Coursework:** Students must complete 8 courses (2 compulsory courses and 6 electives).
- **LLM by Coursework and Thesis:** Students must complete 4 compulsory units including a Major Thesis in Law (40,000 – 60,000 words including notes and bibliography).

Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Law

The law school is pleased to offer its PhD in Law starting in 2019. Students must conduct advanced and original research leading to a Thesis of 80,000 – 100,000 words including notes and bibliography.

Admission Requirements

**This section does not include all information. For additional details on Admission Requirements, please contact the law school.*

Bachelor of Laws (LLB)

To enter the LLB Programme, applicants must:

- Pass the Fiji Year 13 Examination or its equivalent with at least 250 marks including a minimum of 65% in English;
- Pass the University Foundation Studies Programme;
or
- Be eligible for Mature Student Admission.

Graduate Diploma in Legal Practice (GDLP)

To enter the GDLP Programme, applicants must have:

- A Bachelor of Laws (LLB) degree from the University of Fiji; **or**
- A qualification from some other recognized tertiary institution deemed by Senate or its nominees to be equivalent to an LLB from the University of Fiji.

Master of Laws (LLM)

To enter the LLM programme for either mode, an individual must have an LLB degree or equivalent with:

- A minimum GPA of 3.5; or
- At least 3 years of professional and/or research experience deemed equivalent to this GPA.

Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Law

In addition to other requirements, some applicants may be required to complete a Directed Research Project unit as a prerequisite for entry into the PhD in Law. Please contact the law school for the PhD in Law Admission Requirements.



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Introduction

The JDP School of Law offers the following qualifications in Suva (Samabula) and Saweni: Bachelor of Laws (LLB), Master of Laws (LLM), and Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Law. The Graduate Diploma in Legal Practice (GDLP) is available in Suva (Samabula).

The law school has provided a robust legal education since 2008. Students study the fundamentals of legal practice, develop analytical skills, and learn how to apply this knowledge. Through its commitment to teaching "law in context," the law school strives to become a leading institution in the region.

The Bachelor of Laws programme was established under the leadership of Justice Devendra Pathik after consultations with Deans of law schools in the Asia-Pacific region as well as eminent jurists and professors from Fiji and abroad. These consultations provided invaluable advice and assistance in the development of the programme. A seminar in 2007 discussed and finalised the curriculum components.

The Graduate Diploma in Legal Practice is an intensive training programme. The Master of Laws programme allows students to deepen their legal expertise and research skills. The PhD in Law promotes advanced and original research based on the students' interests.

The law school aims to develop relationships with other institutions and organizations. It has a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the University of Waikato law school and plans on forging additional MoUs.

Programmes Offered

The JDP School of Law offers the following law programmes:

- Bachelor of Laws (LLB)
- Graduate Diploma in Legal Practice (GDLP)
- Master of Laws (LLM)
- Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Law

Programme Structure

Bachelor of Laws (LLB)

Number of courses: 32

**The prerequisites allow some flexibility between Year 1 and Year 2 law courses and between Year 3 and Year 4 law courses. Please contact the law school for more information.*

Year 1 Courses

Students must complete 8 compulsory courses (5 law courses and 3 non-law courses).

Course Title	Credit
LAW100 Sociology of Law	15
LAW101 Introduction to Law	15
LAW102 Legal Methods and Research	15
LAW103 Introduction to Criminal Law	15
LAW104 Law of Torts I	15

Non-Law Courses

Course Title	Credit
ITK111 Spoken iTaukei Language for Beginners or	15
HIC111 Spoken Hindi for Beginners	
LLC101 English for Academic Purposes	15
ITC100 Information Technology for the Workplace	15

Year 2 Courses

Students must complete 8 compulsory law courses.

Course Title	Credit
LAW201 Law of Torts II	15
LAW203 Law of Contracts I	15
LAW204 Law of Contracts II	15
LAW205 Constitutional Law	15
LAW206 Administrative Law	15
LAW207 Criminal Law and Procedure	15
LAW208 Property Law I	15
LAW209 Property Law II	15

Year 3 Courses

Students must complete 7 compulsory law courses and 1 elective.

Compulsory Courses

Course Title	Credit
LAW303 Corporations, Insolvency and Liquidation Law	15
LAW306 Competition and Consumer Law	15
LAW307 Jurisprudence	15
LAW309 Family Law	15
LAW316 Principles of Equity, Trust and Succession Law	15
LAW318 Commercial Law	15
LAW322 Dispute Resolution and Alternative Dispute Resolution	15

Year 4 Courses

Students must complete 7 compulsory law courses and 1 elective.

Compulsory Courses

Course Title	Credit
LAW302 Employment Law	15
LAW310 Revenue and Taxation Law	15
LAW311 Law of Evidence	15
LAW312 Legal Ethics, Governance and Public Accountability	15
LAW315 Civil Procedure	15
LAW324 Legal Drafting	15
LAW328 Advocacy Skills and Negotiation	15

Electives

Course Title	Credit
LAW300 Law Project	15
LAW301 Intellectual Property Law	15
LAW304 Customary Law	15
LAW305 Public International and Human Rights Law	15
LAW313 Environmental Law	15
LAW314 International Trade Law	15
LAW319 Corporate Securities Law	15
LAW320 Banking and Finance Law	15
LAW321 Law and Economics	15
LAW323 Medical Law and Ethics	15
LAW325 Corruption Law	15
LAW326 Law of the Sea	15
LAW329 Migration Law	15
LAW330 Military Law	15
LAW331 Aviation Law	15
LAW332 Law and Religion	15

Graduate Diploma in Legal Practice (GDLP)

GDLP prepares students for admission to practice law in Fiji. The programme includes 10 modules and satisfies the practical training requirement for admission pursuant to the Legal Practitioners Act 2009.

Note: Recent revisions to GDLP are awaiting final