

# FACULTY OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

## SCHOOL OF LAW

### PROFESSIONAL LEGAL PRACTICE

#### Master of Laws in Professional Legal Practice

*These regulations are to be read in conjunction with [General Academic Regulations - Postgraduate Taught Degree Programme Level](#).*

#### Admission

1. Notwithstanding the [General Academic Regulations - Postgraduate Taught Degree Programme Level](#), applicants for the LLM shall possess:
  - i. a Postgraduate Diploma in Professional Legal Practice; or
  - ii. a qualification deemed by the Head of School/Programme Director acting on behalf of the Senate to be equivalent to (i) above.
2. 100 credits will be awarded for recognition of prior learning in respect of point 1(i) above.
3. In all cases, applicants whose first language is not English, shall be required to demonstrate an appropriate level of English.

#### Duration of Study

4. Notwithstanding the [General Academic Regulations - Postgraduate Taught Degree Programme Level](#), the minimum duration of study for the LLM will be 12 months and the maximum period of study will be 24 months for the full-time LLM.

#### Mode of Study

5. The LLM is available by distance learning and on-campus.

#### Curriculum

6. All students shall undertake an approved curriculum as follows:

Module Code	Module Title	Level	Credits
M9847	Legal Research (Professional Legal Practice)	5	20
	OR		
M9xxx*	Legal Research (Professional Legal Practice)	5	20
	AND		
M9848	Dissertation in Professional Legal Practice	5	60
	OR		
M9XXX*	Dissertation in Professional Legal Practice	5	60

\*These modules are online.

### **Progress**

7. Progress may be dependent on satisfactory performance against prescribed criteria in the earlier part of the programme.
8. Progress to the Dissertation on the LLM is dependent on a student successfully completing the module M9847 or M9xxx Legal Research.
9. Notwithstanding the [General Academic Regulations – Postgraduate Taught Degree Programme Level](#), the Board of Examiners may exceptionally, in the light of their overall performance, permit a student who satisfies the attendance and performance requirements of module M9847 or M9xxx Legal Research a maximum of one further attempt at passing the module. The attempt shall normally be made at the next available formal assessment period. The Board of Examiners may additionally require a student to re attend the module.
10. The final award will be based on the student's performance in their assessments.

### **Award**

11. **Degree of LLM:** In order to qualify for the award of LLM in Professional Legal Practice, a candidate must have accumulated no fewer than 180 credits of which 60 must have been awarded in respect of the dissertation M9848 or M9xxx and 20 credits from the module M9847 or M9xxx Legal Research and the remainder of the credits will be awarded through credit transfer and recognition of prior learning.