Welcome from the Dean

The Australian National University (ANU) is unique in Australia. Ranked 29th in the world by QS and based in the nation’s capital city, the University attracts leading academics and outstanding students from Australia and around the world.

For more than 60 years, ANU College of Law has been the educational home to some of the most remarkable people from across the world: visionaries, influential leaders, researchers and individuals creating impact and social change nationally, regionally and globally.

This, coupled with our role as the national university, means we have a responsibility to be ambitious, bold and transformative in our approaches to teaching and learning. We are poised to provide the next generation of leaders and global citizens with the skills required for the challenges and careers of the future.

Our campus is located at the heart of the national capital, alongside foreign missions, the Australian Parliament, other national institutions, research organisations and government departments. As Australia’s national law school, our researchers have a special relationship with the Commonwealth Government, providing expert advice to Australia’s leaders and decision makers, to ensure the advancement of the nation.

We are looking for people who find true joy in learning, in following an idea to see where it will lead because it is exciting. We seek people with passion, who want to go beyond established boundaries and forge new paths to the future.

If you would like the opportunity to be extraordinary, then ANU will nurture you to achieve your potential.

I look forward to welcoming you to ANU in 2022.

Professor Sally Wheeler  
OBE, MRIA, FAcSS, FAAL  
Deputy Vice-Chancellor for International Strategy and Dean of ANU College of Law
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The Australian National University (ANU) is one of the world’s leading centres for research and education. Our global reputation and rankings allow us to attract the best staff and students from around the world.

One of the top ranked universities in Australia for teaching
2022 Times Higher Education Teaching Indicator

Five-star maximum rating for student demand, teaching quality, student–teacher ratio and staff qualifications
Good Universities Guide 2022

Five-star maximum rating for law and legal studies research
2022 Excellence in Research for Australia (ERA) rankings

Ranked 17th in the world for law
QS World Rankings by Subject 2021

22,000 alumni spanning 100+ countries

15+ scholarships and 60+ prizes to support your study costs

Within four months of completing their courses, 88.8% of ANU Law graduates are employed full-time
Good Universities Guide 2022
World-class experts

At ANU you will be guided by some of the world’s brightest minds, have access to world-class learning facilities and enjoy opportunities that are unique to studying law in the nation’s capital — the city where laws and policies are made.

Associate Professor Wayne Morgan
Associate Dean (Education)

If you want to change the world, study law. If you want to learn at one of the world’s leading law schools, so that you have the knowledge, skills and ethical judgment to bring about change with creative solutions to the world’s biggest policy and legal challenges, join us at the ANU College of Law. As teachers and researchers at the national law school, we bring together the inspiration and expertise to guide the leaders of tomorrow.

Wayne Morgan is the Associate Dean (Education) of the ANU College of Law and is internationally recognised as a pioneer in the field of queer legal theory. He undertakes interdisciplinary research focused on social justice and law reform which has contributed to a number of test cases before tribunals and courts at the national and international level, including cases before the Australian High Court and the UN Human Rights Committee.

Associate Professor Philippa Ryan

Our programs invite students pursue their career interests and passions across a range of contemporary topics in law. Students will find their learning is enriched by the insights ANU lecturers and guest speakers bring to their teaching from our varied backgrounds in policy-making, community and private legal practice, the bench and Bar, standards development, and executive roles in industry and government.

Phillipa Ryan is a barrister and Associate Professor at ANU College of Law. Her area of expertise is commercial equity and the legal implications for blockchain-based smart contracts. Her PhD formulated a new classification for the liability of third parties to a breach of trust.
Associate Professor Ryan Goss

What better place than the national capital to think about the relationship between law, politics and governments? My teaching and research explore these relationships through asking exciting questions about constitutional law and human rights law.

Ryan Goss is the Head of Scholars House for the Tuckwell Scholarship Program and an Associate Professor at ANU College of Law. His book *Criminal Fair Trial Rights: Article 6 of the European Convention on Human Rights* (Hart Publishing 2014) has been cited by judges in the European Court of Human Rights. In 2017, he received a Citation for Outstanding Contributions to Student Learning from the Commonwealth Department of Education and Training.

Associate Professor Imogen Saunders

At ANU, students can experience the law through a number of extra-curricular and curricular moots covering topics such as international law, international trade law, constitutional law, animal law and space law — and more!

Imogen Saunders is an Associate Professor and the Director of Teaching and Learning at ANU College of Law. Dr Saunders has published policy pieces on Australia’s international trade agreements, the South China Sea and space law. She is a co-author of *International Law: Cases and Materials with Australian Perspectives* (Cambridge University Press 2010). She is the author of *General Principles as a Source of International Law: Article 38(1)(c) of the Statute of the International Court of Justice* (Hart Publishing 2021).
Global careers start here

When you graduate with a law degree from ANU, you become part of a highly connected global network of alumni that spans 100+ countries.

Our graduates are among the most employable in Australia and around the world, and go on to become leaders in their home countries and on the world stage. Our top international law alumni communities are located in the United Kingdom, the United States, Hong Kong, Singapore and Malaysia.

Internships, clinical placements and study abroad opportunities are available in various locations throughout Australia, Asia and the Pacific, the United Kingdom, Europe and the United States.

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What you can study

Postgraduate coursework will deepen your knowledge and expand your skills to equip you for career success in your chosen field.

Admission into a postgraduate coursework program requires completion of a Bachelor’s degree as a minimum.

Flexible study options

Whichever option you choose, you will benefit from an emphasis on flexibility and accessibility, with intensive classes and online learning allowing you to balance postgraduate study with employment, family or personal commitments.

We also offer a range of short-term professional development courses to allow you to study a single subject without having to apply for a full postgraduate degree.
Juris Doctor

3 years full-time or part-time equivalent

The Juris Doctor is ideal for those who have completed a Bachelor’s degree in another discipline, are seeking to change or advance their career, and are seeking to be admitted as a legal practitioner in Australia and some other jurisdictions.

Master of International Law and Diplomacy

2 years full-time or part-time equivalent

The Master of International Law and Diplomacy will equip you with the knowledge and skills to succeed in the current political and business environment where policy, law and dispute resolution intersect.

Master of Financial Management and Law

2 years full-time or part-time equivalent

This program is highly suited to finance and legal professionals aspiring to broaden their expertise or fast-track their senior management career.

Master of Laws

1 year full-time or part-time equivalent

Open to law and non-law graduates, the Master of Laws is ideal for those who want to gain advanced legal knowledge and specialist skills in their chosen area of interest.

Graduate Certificate of Law

6 months full-time or part-time equivalent

The Graduate Certificate of Law is ideal for those who have completed a Bachelor’s degree in another discipline and wish to develop their knowledge of Australian and international legal systems and how laws are created, interpreted and applied.

Graduate Certificate of New Technologies Law

6 months full-time or part-time equivalent

The Graduate Certificate of New Technologies Law is taught entirely online and includes a range of law electives including information technology, legal app development, blockchain and legal innovation, cyber warfare, artificial intelligence and media law.
Epi Terbio
Juris Doctor

“I have always seen the study of law as a tool to be able to help people defend their rights and resolve conflicts. The ANU College of Law gives me not only the legal qualification needed to become a competent legal practitioner, but also the chance to explore legal frontiers highly relevant in this modern age.

“The aspect I enjoy the most in my studies are relationships and connections that I am able to build and nourish while doing my law studies. The connections that I make here have shaped me in more ways that I could ever imagine. The encounters with people I have met here taught me in more ways than I could expect to learn in the classroom.”

Sam Xin
Master of Laws

“Canberra, as the capital of Australia, allows students to get firsthand exposure to policy- and law-making. You get to see how Australia engages with the world up close.

“The ANU College of Law also offers outstanding access to expertise. One of my courses, Artificial Intelligence, Law and Society, was jointly delivered by ANU and the University of Cambridge. This course nurtured my passion for legal innovation through my interaction with experts from both sides.

“Studying the Master of Laws has helped set me up to embrace the complicated realities of the future.”
Juris Doctor

The ANU Juris Doctor (JD) is an internationally recognised program designed for graduates of non-law disciplines. It provides the qualification required for admission as a lawyer in Australia and some other jurisdictions.

Program structure

The ANU Juris Doctor combines core foundational legal studies with a distinctive capstone experience incorporating practical clinical studies, internships or a research project, where you get to experience the law in action.

During your degree, you will study a range of compulsory courses in foundational areas of law such as international law, administrative law, corporations law, criminal law, contracts, evidence and litigation.

You can also tailor your degree to suit your interests and career goals by selecting electives from a range of contemporary topics in law, including environment and climate law, international trade law, financial markets and takeovers, information technology law, international security law and human rights law.

Clinical courses

Clinical courses allow you to engage with real clients, real problems and real deadlines in a real-world environment. Clinical placements may be undertaken in a community agency, community legal centre or non-government organisation where you will get the opportunity to explore law reform and social justice issues relevant to that field of practice.

Admission to practice

Before you can practise law in Australia, you must complete practical legal training (PLT). PLT provides the practical skills and knowledge you’ll need as a legal professional, and allows you to be admitted as a lawyer.

Careers

The ANU Juris Doctor has global recognition and graduates enter traditional legal roles such as a solicitor or barrister, as well as roles in management, politics, the public service, business, commerce, technology and communications.

Duration

3 years full-time or part-time equivalent

Entry requirements

Bachelor’s degree or international equivalent with a minimum GPA of 5/7 (any discipline). If you have undertaken more than one tertiary qualification the GPA will be determined by the highest GPA of all completed qualifications.
Master of Financial Management and Law

Market behaviours significantly shape our society and the financial sector is always a central concern for policymaking. This joint degree is designed to equip graduates with a sophisticated level of understanding of finance and financial systems, alongside knowledge of the legal and regulatory context and frameworks that shape financial sector activity and decision-making.

Duration
2 years full-time or part-time equivalent

Entry requirements
Bachelor’s degree or international equivalent with a minimum GPA of 5/7.

Program structure
This joint degree will be taught by internationally recognised scholars from both the ANU College of Law and the College of Business and Economics.

More than merely a series of ‘finance law’ subjects taught within a Master of Laws, this degree draws on course content from different disciplinary areas, combining rigorous courses on essential elements of finance with compulsory and elective law courses.

Careers
This program is highly suited to those working or seeking to work in financial and advisory firms, policy and regulatory bodies, the legal profession, and beyond.
Master of International Law and Diplomacy

The Master of International Law and Diplomacy is a joint degree that addresses needs arising from the unique dynamics of the current political and business environment where policy, law and dispute resolution intersect.

Duration
2 years full-time or part-time equivalent

Entry requirements
Bachelor’s degree or international equivalent with a minimum GPA of 5/7.
Or
Bachelor’s degree at pass mark, GPA 4/7 with a minimum of 3 years full-time equivalent work experience at ANZSCO Skill Level 1 in a field related to the program.

Program structure
This highly valuable qualification deepens your understanding of the way diplomacy and law operate in, and interact with, the modern world. It equips you with legal and diplomatic skills and knowledge for the 21st century job market. The degree also provides exciting study and career options in the prestigious arenas of diplomatic and international legal practice.

You will be taught by internationally recognised scholars from both the ANU College of Law and the Asia-Pacific College of Diplomacy. You will also learn from senior diplomatic and international legal practitioners with a specific focus on transnational diplomacy, roles of non-state actors, negotiation and conflict resolution, international law principles and more.

Careers
Graduates of the Master of International Law and Diplomacy may work within foreign ministries, as academics, senior staff in the United Nations, World Bank, International Monetary Fund and transnational corporations.
Master of Laws

Open to both law and non-law graduates, the ANU Master of Laws (LLM) is ideal for those looking to deepen their knowledge in a specific area of law, those who are planning to enter a new area of practice or those for whom a knowledge of law would be beneficial in their career, including public policy professionals, regulators and managers.

Duration
1 year full-time or part-time equivalent

Entry requirements
Bachelor of Laws, Bachelor of Laws (Honours), Juris Doctor, Graduate Certificate of Law, Graduate Certificate of New Technologies Law or Bachelor’s degree in any cognate discipline with a minimum GPA of 5.
Or
Bachelor of Laws, Bachelor of Laws (Honours), Juris Doctor, Graduate Certificate of Law, Graduate Certificate of New Technologies Law or Bachelor’s degree in any cognate discipline with a minimum GPA of 4 plus two years of relevant professional experience.

Advance standing (credit)
Students who have completed the ANU Juris Doctor within the last seven years are eligible to receive credit for four elective subjects for the ANU Master of Laws.

Program structure
The flexible curriculum of the LLM allows you to tailor your studies to suit your personal interests and career aspirations. You can build your own program by selecting from a range of contemporary topics in law, including information technology, aviation and space, environment and climate, cyber warfare, international security and human rights.
Alternatively you can choose to specialise in one of the following areas:
- Human Security Law
- International Law
- Private and Commercial Law
- Public Law
- New Technologies Law

The LLM offers both flexibility and accessibility. Courses are available in a range of delivery modes, including full-time, part-time, on-campus, online, evening or intensive, to enable you to fit your studies around your professional and personal commitments.

Build you own LLM program
You can build your own Master of Laws program by selecting courses from a wide range of topics.
- Aviation and space
- Environment and climate
- Information technology and cyber warfare
- International security and human rights
Master of Laws specialisations

Human Security Law
As the world’s population nears 8 billion and the demand for resources increases, there is a need to understand the consequences of climate change, environmental and other natural disasters, conflict, pandemics, automation, under-developed economies, human rights breaches, and corruption. This specialisation will equip lawyers, professionals and policy-makers with the skills to assess critically topics that will explore these issues from legal, regulatory and policy perspectives.

International Law
International law regulates the relations between states and with other actors at the multilateral level and can affect society in a variety of ways, both internationally and at the domestic level. It helps us to explain and analyse interactions in the international community and their impact within national societies. This specialisation will give you the skills necessary to navigate the international legal system, with the opportunity to focus on areas of particular interest through a wide array of elective courses, many of which require the completion of a substantial research paper.

Private Commercial Law
This specialisation will provide you with an insight into the increasingly complex global environment in which individuals and corporations operate. The broad selection of courses, in areas as diverse as sports law and corporate social responsibility, allows you to focus your studies on areas of specific interest to your current, or future, career.

Public Law
Studying Public Law will involve you in examining both the process and product of government regulation and the underlying legal structures upon which government is built. This specialisation combines comparative and multidisciplinary perspectives in examining the design, implementation and effectiveness of regulation in Australia. This enables you to develop a strong understanding of the modern regulatory state and the laws that govern its operation.

New Technologies Law
Technology is transforming our society and global relationships. Industry and government need a new breed of lawyers who understand the legal, commercial and policy implications for the design and implementation of new products and new business models. This specialisation will equip lawyers and other professionals with the skills and scholarship needed to face novel challenges and to develop innovative and practical approaches to solving problems presented by new technologies.
**Professor Megan Davis**  GDLP ’00, LLM ’03, PhD ’11

*It’s Australia’s best university and you’re really proud to be a graduate from there. The networks you develop with other alumni as a consequence of that are a really special thing.*

Professor Megan Davis is one of Australia’s most highly regarded lawyers specialising in public law and public international law. Awarded the 2018 Indigenous Aluma of the Year, Megan is a Cobble Cobble woman from the Barungam nation in south-west Queensland.

Megan is the first Aboriginal Australian elected to a United Nations body as Australia’s representative on the UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Peoples. During her time at the UN, she addressed the core issues affecting Aboriginal women, such as violence, and examined how the Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples is being implemented by different states as well as how it is used by different courts.

**Alan Wu**  GDLP ’12, LLM ’16

*An education in law is an inquiry into the nature of justice; how we can tailor incentives and sanctions to better build a fairer society where we can all succeed. The ANU College of Law engaged us in this inquiry, and that spurred us to action, by strengthening our capacity, and our resolve, to build the solutions we sought.*

Alan Wu was selected as part of the inaugural cohort of Obama Foundation Leaders: Asia-Pacific, a cross-section of 200 emerging civic leaders from 33 nations and territories in the region, in 2019. Alan, who was named 2016 ANU Young Alumnus of the Year, is the youngest member of the Board of Oxfam Australia, one of the nation’s largest international development organisations.

He is also the Senior Regional Coordinator at the Open Government Partnership, a multilateral initiative that brings governments and communities together to advance reforms to promote government transparency, empower citizens, fight corruption, and harness new technologies to strengthen governance.
Graduate Certificate of Law

This program is ideal for those who have completed a Bachelor’s degree in another discipline and wish to develop their knowledge of Australian and international legal systems and how laws are created, interpreted and applied.

The Graduate Certificate of Law also provides a pathway to the Master of Laws (LLM) for graduates from non-cognate disciplines.

Duration
6 months full-time or part-time equivalent

Entry requirements
Bachelor’s degree or international equivalent with a minimum GPA of 4/7.

Program structure
The Graduate of Certificate of Law offers you the flexibility to study courses from a range of contemporary topics in law, including information technology, aviation and space, environment and climate, cyber warfare, international security and human rights.
Taught entirely online, the ANU Graduate Certificate of New Technologies Law gives you the skills and knowledge to accelerate your career. Understand the application—and evolution—of law in the digital era.

This qualification is ideal for those who have completed a Bachelor’s degree in another discipline and wish to develop their knowledge of Australian and international legal systems and how laws are created, interpreted and applied to new technologies.

The program also provides a pathway to the Master of Laws (LLM).

Duration

6 months full-time or part-time equivalent

Entry requirements

Bachelor’s degree or international equivalent with a minimum GPA of 4/7.

Program structure

The Graduate Certificate of New Technologies Law offers you the flexibility to study courses from a range of contemporary courses in law, including information technology, legal app development, blockchain and legal innovation, cyber warfare, artificial intelligence and media law.
Professional development short courses

We offer a range of short-term professional development courses to allow you to study a single subject without having to apply for a full postgraduate degree.

Duration

4 days — 7 weeks

Short-term professional development courses enable you to update or refresh your knowledge, expand your skillset, focus on a specialised area of law relating to your current role or gain new knowledge and skills to prepare you for a new role.

Courses are taught by world-class academics and guest lecturers with real-world professional experience, and delivered in an intensive format of between four days to seven weeks to suit working professionals.

View courses and apply online at: law.anu.edu.au/study/study-programs/professional-development

Tailored professional development courses can be developed and delivered in-house at your workplace upon request.
### Postgraduate courses

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Postgraduate research

As Australia’s national law school, ANU College of Law has an enviable research profile in Australia and abroad.

Working under the supervision of some of Australia’s best-known legal minds, higher degree research (HDR) students in the ANU College of Law enjoy a vibrant research culture, and are provided with the support, guidance and opportunity to deeply engage with law and explore the impact and influence it has in our world.

With particular strengths in a number of key legal areas—including international law, international security law, environmental law, administrative law, constitutional law, and government and regulation—the ANU College of Law offers diverse options for students seeking to undertake higher degree research.

In addition to being supervised by leading scholars, many of whom are regarded as among the best in their field, HDR students benefit from the College’s considerable international networks and opportunities to work closely with visitors, researchers and academics from some of the world’s leading law schools.

ANU College of Law is a magnet for visiting academics and speakers from around the world, giving you unique access to the best of the global legal fraternity.

In consultation with your supervisor, you can tailor your focus of study and make a significant contribution to research in the field of law with the potential to create positive change in society through the following options:

**Doctor of Philosophy in Law**

Offered to students seeking an opportunity to engage in high-quality, independent research, the Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) requires submission of a thesis that makes a substantial contribution to learning in the field of law.

**Master of Philosophy in Law**

Allowing you to gain a research degree in 12–24 months, the Master of Philosophy requires completion of a thesis that makes an original and important contribution to human knowledge, research and development.
Canberra—the capital advantage

At ANU, you’ll be warmly welcomed into a safe, inclusive and collaborative environment that facilitates immersion and offers a strong sense of togetherness and community spirit.

Our proximity to the High Court of Australia, Parliament House, Commonwealth courts and federal agencies offers unparalleled access to legal practitioners, members of the judiciary and government policymakers, many of whom are ANU Law alumni.

Canberra offers a different cultural experience to other Australian cities and is incredibly easy to get around — the city has the shortest commute times of any major Australian city and a newly opened light-rail network.

**Most liveable city**

Canberra is one of the world’s most liveable cities, ranking first for quality of life ahead of Sydney and Melbourne.

2021 Numbeo Quality of Life Index

**Safest**

Canberra is considered one of the safest cities in Australia with one of the lowest crime rates.

**Global community**

A city of just over 411,000 people with more than 27 per cent of our residents born overseas, Canberra is a multicultural city with a strong sense of community.
Applications and scholarships

To apply for most postgraduate coursework degree programs, you will need to submit your application through the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) and pay a fee.

**Apply online at:** uac.edu.au

**Scholarships**

There are a number of scholarships available to postgraduate law students to assist you with the cost of your studies.

To find out more visit: anu.edu.au/scholarships

**International postgraduate coursework students**

**Juris Doctor, Master of International Law and Diplomacy, Master of Financial Management and Law**

There are two student intakes each year:

- Semester 1 (February) – Applications are open and will close 22 December 2021.
- Semester 2 (July) – Applications are open and will close 15 May 2022.

In order to be considered for an offer, you must meet pre-requisite and cognate requirements for your preferred program, and English language requirements by the application deadline for the round.

An application fee of A$100 applies.

**Apply online at:** apply-international.anu.edu.au/anuint/

**Master of Laws, Graduate Certificate of Law, Graduate Certificate of New Technologies Law**

These postgraduate programs have specific admissions criteria and application processes.

An application fee of A$100 applies.

**Apply online at:** student-anu.studylink.com/apply
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