



LLM IN

ADVANCED CRIMINAL JUSTICE

The School of Law offers an LLM programme in Advanced Criminal Justice on both the Howard College and Pietermaritzburg Campuses.

Programme outcomes

The programme aims to develop an expert knowledge of South African Criminal Law, and to provide students with the opportunity to make extensive use of comparative materials.

Programme structure

Students are required to complete four modules from the prescribed list of modules, and to complete a 20 000-word dissertation. Two modules will be presented each year, one per semester. The programme will thus be presented on a part-time basis, in order to focus on attracting students from the ranks of the Department of Justice, the Correctional Services, and the SAPS, as well as legal practitioners. For more information, please contact the Postgraduate Centre.

Programme teaching method

In order to best accommodate our target group, the mode of delivery will involve one week of contact tuition per course, in June (first semester courses) and November (second semester courses). Attendance at seminars is compulsory.

Programme modules

The following modules include:

- Research Methodology
- Advanced Criminal Law
- Criminal Process
- International Criminal Law
- Sentencing

Programme teachers

The programme will be team-taught by Criminal Law experts.



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Who should apply?

- Magistrates
- Prosecutors
- Attorneys
- Advocates
- SAPS legal advisors
- Correctional Services

Eligibility

Applicants must be in possession of an LLB or a BProc degree with the basic entrance requirement being a minimum overall average of 55%, subject to the availability of places in the module as class sizes are limited.

Structural support for your LLM

Two Centres for Postgraduate Legal Studies have been established within the School of Law on both Howard College and Pietermaritzburg campuses to offer a supportive environment in which postgraduate law students may conduct their research and writing. There is an open-plan study space with fifteen computers, and a discussion room where students may engage in group projects and interact socially (there are coffee and tea-making facilities). The aim is to provide a welcoming environment which promotes serious and relevant legal research, as well as interactive learning.

These Centres show innovation unique in South African Law Schools.

Closing dates for applications

30 November for the first semester of the ensuing year.

30 June for the second semester of the current year.

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