



Bachelor of Laws (Honours)/Bachelor of Government and International Relations (Domestic students)

Program code

1627

Commencing in

Trimester 1 and Trimester 2

Prerequisites

English (4SA)

Available at

Gold Coast Campus, Nathan Campus

Assumed knowledge

Nil

Duration

5.5 years full-time

8 years part-time

Credit points

440

Indicative fee

[Find out more](#)
[Calculate your fees](#)


Why choose this program?

This program is scheduled to commence in 2020.

Combining Government and International Relations with Law will help you develop a solid understanding of the world we live in. You will learn about the forces that shape politics, public administration and international affairs.

Law component

In the Law component, you will study within a number of special subject areas called 'vertical subjects'. Through these subject areas, you will make connections between law and ethics, legal theory, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander issues, and internationalisation. You will also develop interdisciplinary understandings of law and legal work.

If you complete the five Canadian Law courses, you will be eligible for entry into the legal profession in Canada's common law provinces, when accompanied by a Certificate of Qualification from the National Committee on Accreditation (NCA) of the Federation of Law Societies of Canada.

Government and International Relations component

In the Government and International Relations component, you will learn about political institutions and processes, business-government relations, and foreign policy and globalisation. In your first year, you will develop your understanding of politics and international relations. In your second and third years, you will expand this knowledge and complete either a parliamentary internship or a work placement.

My attendance during the program

Attendance information

The Bachelor of Laws(Honours)/Bachelor of Government and International Relations is offered full-time on-campus at Nathan and Gold Coast campuses.

As a full-time student you will generally attend 10-15 hours of scheduled classes per week throughout the trimester. Classes may be scheduled during the day and early evening throughout the week.

Some law electives are based at Nathan campus, South Bank and some at the Gold Coast. A few law electives are run in intensive mode, including in trimester 3. Intensive mode means that classes may be compacted over a week, or over several weekends. Some law electives are 'clinics' which typically involve work off campus. Law electives are not normally undertaken until the final two years of your law degree.

Student Income Support

To be classed as a full-time student, you are required to enrol in a minimum number of credit points each standard study period. The minimum credit points for full-time enrolment in this program is 30 credit points.

Trimester 1 and Trimester 2 are deemed standard study periods. As Trimester 3 is a non-standard study period, continuing students moving from one year to the next will not be required to study during this trimester to be eligible for student income support.

Domestic students who commence in Trimester 3 may be eligible for student income support from the onset of study provided they are enrolled full-time in this study period.

Please refer to the [Australian Government website](#) for more details.

Work-integrated learning

The Bachelor of Laws provides the opportunity for optional work-integrated learning through its variety of Clinic courses.

My career opportunities

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A law degree from Griffith University is your passport to the world and is recognised as a qualifying degree for admission into the legal profession in many countries around the world.

You will be prepared for a career in the legal profession, with a special interest in public law or international issues. You will also find employment in areas such as diplomacy, strategic analysis or trade relations, or in businesses with overseas profiles, and international aid and non-government organisations.

Professional recognition

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To be eligible for admission as a solicitor, a person must complete an approved law degree (undertaken approved practical legal training via a practical legal training course of Supervised Traineeship at a Law firm) and be able to satisfy the Legal Practitioners Admissions Board and the Supreme Court of their fitness to practise.

- [Queensland Law Society](#)

Canada

Griffith University's law degree is accepted for entry into the legal profession in Canada's common law provinces, when accompanied by a Certificate of Qualification from the National Committee on Accreditation (NCA) of the Federation of Law Societies of Canada. You must ensure you complete the five Canadian Law courses to help you prepare for the NCA exams while gaining credit towards your law degree.

- [Federation of Law Societies of Canada](#)

Malaysia (Sabah and Sarawak)

Students from Sabah or Sarawak who have a Griffith law degree and wish to return to Sabah or Sarawak to practise law may do so providing they gain admission to practice in an Australian jurisdiction first and then fulfil additional requirements upon their return to Sabah or Sarawak.

What are the fees?

Commonwealth supported students

- The fee is indicative of an annual full-time load (80 credit points) in a program categorized to one of the Australian Government's three broad discipline areas (student contribution bands). A student's actual annual fee may vary in accordance with his or her choice of majors and electives. The Australian Government sets [student contribution amounts](#) on an annual basis.
- [Find out more...](#)

Fee-paying undergraduate (domestic) students

These fees are only applicable to domestic students who are not Commonwealth supported including:

- Full-fee paying domestic students who commenced their program prior to 2009.
- International students who have been approved to pay domestic tuition fees after obtaining Australian or New Zealand citizenship or permanent residency or a permanent humanitarian visa and who have not obtained a Commonwealth supported place.

Tuition fees

- A fee-paying undergraduate student pays tuition fees.
- Students are liable for tuition fees for the courses they are enrolled in as at the census date.
- The tuition fee is charged according to the approved program fee for the trimester in which the student is enrolled.
- [Find out more...](#)