

Bachelor of Laws with Honours - LLB (Hons) (F/T) – LM310

1. Context and Objectives

The undergraduate LLB programme offers an excellent opportunity to gain a legal education with modules taught in both English and French. It intends to give a thorough grounding in the principles of law viewed with an emphasis on legal techniques and reasoning. It leads to a bilingual law degree designed to provide excellent foundational legal knowledge to students. Most undergraduates read law with the intention of practising but the programme also provides an excellent education to those who wish to join other professions where an extensive legal background is necessary.

2. Learning Outcomes

The LLB programme caters for the specificities of the Mauritian legal system and is designed to provide a training ground for future legal professionals. To that end, all students are expected by the time of their graduation to:

- Become knowledgeable about the general approaches to the study of law and legal reasoning;
- Demonstrate the ability to identify and understand key concepts in substantive law, legal theory, and procedure;
- Acquire legal skills both orally and in writing so that they are now well prepared for their Bar exams.
- Demonstrate familiarity with the rules of professional ethics.

3. Teaching and Learning Methods

This programme will be taught through a combination of face-to-face lectures, tutorials and online training and seminars including discussion forums, web-based research through available open educational resources and online assessments. The teaching methods focus on practical as well as theoretical means with a view to develop the analytical and critical skills of students that are essential for the workplace.

With a wide range of modules available on the programme including work-based learning placements and a variety of assessment methods such as simulated court proceedings, advocacy and presentation, students will be able to discover the academic areas where their true interests lie.

A typical semester module will carry 6 LCCS credits which represent 180 notional learning hours broken down as follows: 30 hours of teaching, 60 hours of self-study and 90 hours of other learning activities.

A typical yearly module will carry 12 LCCS credits which represent 360 notional hours broken down as follows: 60 hours of teaching, 120 hours of self-study and 180 hours of other learning activities.

4. Entry Requirements

- **General Requirements**

As per General Entry Requirements for admission to the University for Undergraduate Degrees.

- **Programme Requirements**

Credit in French at 'O' Level or equivalent.

5. Programme Duration

Detail	Normal (Years)	Maximum (Years)
Degree	3	5

6. Minimum LCCS Credits Required:

For Degree Award

204 LCCS Credits

For each Academic Year

Minimum: 36 LCCS Credits Maximum: 96 LCCS Credits

7. Assessment and Deadlines

Each module will carry 100 marks and will be assessed as follows (unless otherwise specified):

Continuous Assessment: 40% - 50%

Assessment will be based on a written examination of 2-hour (for a semester module) or 3-hour (for a yearly module) duration as specified. Examination will count for 50% to 60% of the total marks and continuous assessment carrying a range of 40% to 50% of total marks. Continuous assessment will be based on two (2) assignments and should include at least one class test per module per year.

Examinations: 50% - 60%

For a student to pass a module, an overall total of 40% for combined continuous assessment and written examination components would be required without minimum thresholds within the individual continuous assessment and written examination.

Most modules in the structure are yearly modules which are taught over a period of two semesters and examined at the end of the second semester only. There are continuous assessments over the period of two semesters and the written examination will be of a duration of 3 hours for a yearly module of 12 LCCS Credits.

Some modules in the structure are run over 10 weeks and carry 6 LCCS Credits. The assessment of such modules will consist of continuous assessment and an examination of a duration of 2 hrs at the end of the semester in which the module is run.

DISSERTATION

At the end of the third year of the programme, the students will be required to submit a dissertation. The title of the dissertation has to be approved by the Department of Law and a project supervisor identified. The final copy should be submitted by end of March and the dissertation length should be in the range of 8, 000 -12, 000 words. Refer to General Rules & Regulations for further details.

LEGAL RESEARCH METHODS – LAWS 2231(3)

The module will be assessed as follows: 50% dissertation proposal to be submitted (assignment) and 50% based on a written examination of a duration of 2 hours.

PRACTICAL TRAINING

The Law Clinic module (LAWS 3009Y) is a partnership between students, academics and practitioners. Law students develop their critical thinking, decision making and analytical skills by working with real clients with real problems. Students thus have to do 15 hours of practical training and submit a report on same. Upon successful completion they will be awarded the grade S.

8. List of Modules

CORE MODULES

Code	Module Name	L/T/P	Contact Hours	Self-study Hrs	Other Learning Hrs	LCCS Credits
LAWS 1110Y(1)	Mauritian Legal System and Communication Skills for Lawyers	2+1	60	120	180	12
LAWS 1111Y(1)	Droit des Personnes et Droit de la Famille	2+1	60	120	180	12
LAWS 1112Y(1)	Constitutional and Administrative Law	2+1	60	120	180	12
LAWS 1113Y(1)	Droit des Obligations	2+1	60	120	180	12
LAWS 2223(3)	Public International Law	2+1	30	60	90	6
LAWS 2217(3)	Droit des Biens	2+1	30	60	90	6
LAWS 2219(3)	Human Rights	2+1	30	60	90	6
LAWS 2215(3)	Contrats Spéciaux	2+1	30	60	90	6
LAWS 2216(3)	Environmental Law	2+1	30	60	90	6
LAWS 2218(3)	Intellectual Property Law	2+1	30	60	90	6
LAWS 2228Y(3)	Criminal Law	2+1	60	120	180	12
LAWS 2231(3)	Legal Research Methods	2+1	30	60	90	6
LAWS 2234Y(3)	Law of Companies	2+1	60	120	180	12
LAWS 2220Y(5)	Revenue Law & Law of Trusts	2+1	60	120	180	12
LAWS 3213Y(5)	Régimes Matrimoniaux et Droit des Successions et Libéralités	2+1	60	120	180	12
LAWS 3214Y(5)	Labour and Industrial Relations Law	2+1	60	120	180	12
LAWS 3001Y(5)	Dissertation	-	60	120	180	12
LAWS 3220(5)	Corporate Governance	2+1	30	60	90	6
LAWS 3222(5)	Criminal Procedure	2+1	30	60	90	6
LAWS 3127(5)	Law of Finance	2+1	30	60	90	6
LAWS 3107(5)	Law of Evidence	2+1	30	60	90	6
LAWS 3227(5)	Civil Procedure	2+1	30	60	90	6
LAWS 3009Y	Practical Training-Law Clinic	-				S

ELECTIVE MODULES

LAWS 4103(3)	Criminology	2+1	30	60	90	6
LAWS 3110(5)	Private International Law	2+1	30	60	90	6
LAWS 2121(5)	International Dispute [Resolution/Settlement]	2+1	30	60	90	6
LAWS 3201(5)	Jurisprudence	2+1	30	60	90	6
LAWS 3219(5)	Sûretés	2+1	30	60	90	6
LAWS 3228(5)	International Trade Law	2+1	30	60	90	6
LAWS 3217(5)	International Humanitarian Law	2+1	30	60	90	6

9. Programme Plan – BACHELOR OF LAWS WITH HONOURS

YEAR 1

Code	Module Name	L/T/P	Contact Hours	LCCS Credits
CORE				
LAWS 1110Y(1)	Mauritian Legal System and Communications Skills for Lawyers	2+1	60	12
LAWS 1111Y(1)	Droit des Personnes et Droit de la Famille	2+1	60	12
LAWS 1112Y(1)	Constitutional and Administrative Law	2+1	60	12
LAWS 1113Y(1)	Droit des Obligations	2+1	60	12
LAWS 2223(3)	Public International Law 1	2+1	30	6
LAWS 2217(3)	Droit des Biens ²	2+1	30	6
LAWS 2219(3)	Human Rights ²	2+1	30	6
Sub Total				66

YEAR 2

Code	Module Name	L/T/P	Contact Hours	LCCS Credits
CORE				
LAWS 2215(3)	Contrats Spéciaux ¹	2+1	30	6
LAWS 2216(3)	Environmental Law ¹	2+1	30	6
LAWS 2218(3)	Intellectual Property Law ¹	2+1	30	6
LAWS 2220Y(5)	Revenue Law & Law of Trusts	2+1	60	12
LAWS 2228Y(3)	Criminal Law	2+1	60	12
LAWS 2231(3)	Legal Research Methods ²	2+1	30	6
LAWS 2234Y(3)	Law of Companies	2+1	60	12
LAWS 3009Y	Practical Training-Law Clinic**	-		S

SEMESTER 2

ELECTIVES

(Choose one elective)

LAWS 3110(5)	Private International Law ²	2+1	30	6
LAWS 4103(3)	Criminology ²	2+1	30	6
Sub Total				66

YEAR 3

Code	Module Name	L/T/P	Contact Hours	LCCS Credits
CORE				
LAWS 3213Y(5)	Régimes Matrimoniaux et Droit des Successions et Libéralités	2+1	60	12
LAWS 3214Y(5)	Labour and Industrial Relations Law	2+1	60	12
LAWS 3001Y(5)	Dissertation	-	60	12
LAWS 3220(5)	Corporate Governance ¹	2+1	30	6
LAWS 3222(5)	Criminal Procedure ¹	2+1	30	6

LAWS 3127(5)	Law of Finance ¹	2+1	30	6
LAWS 3107(5)	Law of Evidence ²	2+1	30	6
LAWS 3227(5)	Civil Procedure ²	2+1	30	6
ELECTIVES	(Choose one module)			
LAWS 2121(5)	International Dispute [Resolution/Settlement] ¹	2+1	30	6
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LAWS 3219(5)	Sûretés ¹	2+1	30	6
LAWS 3228(5)	International Trade Law ¹	2+1	30	6
LAWS 3217(5)	International Humanitarian Law ²	2+1	30	6
	Sub Total			72
	Grand Total			204

NOTE:

1: Module offered in semester 1

2: Module offered in semester 2

Note : ** -Should earn Grade S for award of degree