## School of Business & Law

### CG98 Bachelor of Laws

**Part Time Study Plan – Term 3 2018 onwards**

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**Total Units: 24** = 144

**Available over Term 3**

✓ Completed

CP = Credit Points

For information on the terminology used in the above study plan, please refer to the Glossary on the last page of this document.

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MORE DETAILS:

To satisfy the requirements for the award of CG98 Bachelor of Laws, students must complete 24 units (144 credit points).

Recommended Study Schedule

Students should complete units in an order that is as close as possible to the recommended structure set out in this study plan. Students should concentrate on completing all first year units before moving on to second year units, and all second year units before moving on to third year units.

Course Structure Requirements

In the CG98 Bachelor of Laws, students are required to complete the following course structure:

- 19 Core Units
- 5 Specified Law Elective Units

Course Duration Requirements

| Full Time Duration | 3 years full time |
| Part Time Duration  | 4 years part time |

Please also note that if you fail units or take a Leave of Absence, your course duration and completion timeframe may be extended.

Interim Awards

Interim Awards do not exist for this course

Exit Awards

Exit Awards do not exist for this course

Professional Accreditation

This course is accredited with the Legal Practitioners Admissions Board of Queensland

The degree is an approved academic qualification for admission to the legal profession. Graduates are also required to undertake a further period of practical legal training before being admitted as a legal practitioner.

Deferment/Leave of Absence

Domestic students in the Bachelor of Laws degree are permitted to defer the initial offer of their degree for a maximum of 12 months before their offer is withdrawn. Furthermore, domestic students may also take an approved Leave of Absence (LOA) once they have commenced their course of study however only a maximum of 12 months can be granted without requesting further approval from the Head of Course.

You can apply for a deferment or LOA here.

International students are not permitted to defer their initial offer or take a Leave of Absence unless otherwise discussed with their Home Campus.

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Credit Transfer

If you have undertaken study in the last ten years, or have relevant in-formal or non-formal learning, you may be eligible for credit towards your course. Please note that some courses have reduced timeframes within which prior study remains eligible for credit. Please refer to the CQUni Handbook for specific credit time limits relating to your course.

To submit an application for credit, please refer to the Credit Calculator or contact the Academic Pathways Team via their email credit@cqu.edu.au. Further information about the credit process can also be found on the Credit for Prior Learning webpage.

Credit applications should be submitted at least four (4) weeks before the relevant term commences. Applications must be complete with all supporting documentation to be assessed by CQUniversity. CQUniversity cannot obtain documents from other institutions, organisations or individuals.

Three Year (minimum) Course Completion Timeframe:

For the purposes of admission to the legal profession, your Bachelor of Laws degree must not be completed in less than three calendar years (i.e. if you commence in Term 1, 2015 you may complete no earlier than the end of Term 2, 2017). If you have received credit from previous studies in Law, please refer to the following information:

- 0 units = 3 calendar years to complete from commencement term*
- 1-4 units = 2.5 calendar years to complete from commencement term*
- 5-8 units = 2 calendar years to complete from commencement term*
- 9-12 units = 1.5 calendar years to complete from commencement term*
- 13-16 units = 1 calendar year to complete from commencement term*

*Please note that in cases where only partial credit is granted, any uncredited Law units from your previous institution will still be considered in the calculation of the minimum completion timeframe.

Specified Law Electives

Students must complete 5 electives ensuring that at least one is a Level 3 unit.

- Available in even years only (2018, 2020 etc)
- Available in odd years only (2019, 2021 etc)
- Available in all years (2018, 2019 etc)

Term 1

- LAWS12073 Legal Engagement Placement
- LAWS12071 Australian Employment Law
- LAWS13015 Principles of Commercial Law – Pre-Req LAWS11057, LAWS11059, LAWS11060, LAWS11061, LAWS11062, LAWS11063, LAWS11064
- LAWS13018 Competition and Consumer Law - Pre-Req LAWS11057, LAWS11059, LAWS11061, LAWS11062
- LAWS13019 Legal Apps - Pre-Req LAWS11057, LAWS11059, LAWS11060, LAWS11061, LAWS11062, LAWS11063, LAWS11064 and LAWS11065 or LAWS12055
- LAWS12068 Intellectual Property Law - Pre-Req LAWS11057, LAWS11059, LAWS11060, LAWS11061, LAWS11062, LAWS11063, LAWS11064, LAWS11065 or LAWS12055 and Co-Req LAWS12065

Term 2

- LAWS12062 Alternative Dispute Resolution
- LAWS13011 Family Law - Pre-Req LAWS11057 and LAWS11059
- LAWS13020 Legal Professional Portfolio - Pre-Req Completion of 48 credit points of LAWS units
- LAWS12063 Advanced Statutory Interpretation and Drafting - Pre-Req LAWS11061 and LAWS11062
- LAWS12064 Legal Advocacy - Pre-Req LAWS13010, Co-Req LAWS13017
- LAWS12059 Conveyancing - Pre-Req LAWS12065, Co-Req LAWS12066
- LAWS12069 E-Law - Pre-Req LAWS11057, LAWS11059, LAWS11060, LAWS11061, LAWS11062, LAWS11063, LAWS11064 & LAWS11065 or LAWS12055

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Term 3

- **LAWS13014 Revenue Law - Pre-Req LAWS11057 and LAWS11059**
  - **LAWS12070 Public International and Human Rights Law - Pre-Req LAWS11057, LAWS11059, LAWS11060, LAWS11061, LAWS11062, LAWS11063, LAWS11064 & LAWS11065 or LAWS12055**
- **LAWS13012 Succession - Pre-Req LAWS12060**
- **LAWS12067 Environmental Law - Pre-Req LAWS11057, LAWS11059, LAWS11060, LAWS11061, LAWS11062, LAWS11063, LAWS11064 & LAWS11065 or LAWS12055**

Practicum/Work Placement Opportunities

**LAWS13020 Legal Professional Portfolio**

CQUniversity discipline of law has fully mapped its curriculum to include experiential learning opportunities in numerous subjects. These opportunities focus on skills development and include: • Simulations - moots, branching simulations, role plays • Drafting legal documents • Client interviewing exercises • Developing legal apps • Emerging Clinical programs - embedded within individual units, as digitally badged experiences, probono community service opportunities and where possible work placements (organised by students).

CQUniversity is also entering into a Work Experience Placement Program at the Director of Public Prosecutions (ODPP). Some CQUniversity law subjects have assessment options which enable students to organise and gain recognition of physical placements in legal firms, with barristers and in government legal agencies. The reason these work placements are optional is that the majority of the student body studies part-time online. Placements need to match the flexibility requirements of students.

A memorandum of understanding has been signed between CQUniversity and the Central Queensland Community Legal Centre Inc (CQCLC). The CQCLC is a community-based, government funded organisation which provides free legal advice and minor assistance to members of the community who may not otherwise be able to access or afford such assistance. The initiative involves the introduction into the CQCLC of CQU law student probono volunteers, both in person and online, supervised by CQU staff with the intention of expanding the course into distance advice if the initial trial is satisfactory. It is intended that all CQUniversity law students will have the opportunity to be involved with this course. Should this initiative prove successful it will be rolled out to further rural and regional community legal centres.

**LAWS12073 Legal Engagement Placement**

Students will undertake a three-week legal humanitarian mission to Phnom Penh, Cambodia, in conjunction with the organisation Antipodeans. Prior to the overseas humanitarian mission, students will study appropriate aspects of international humanitarian law; appropriate aspects of Cambodian law and culture; and will develop practical skills necessary to support their overseas mission. Upon return to Australia, students will undertake an analysis and presentation of their accomplishment. Students will be assessed prior to departing to Cambodia; continuously during the placement period; and on the basis of their contribution to a final group presentation.
Transition information for continuing students:

All continuing students in CG98 must follow the current structure of the course with the following transitions:

- Students who commenced CG98 prior to 2017 who have completed LAWS12064 Legal Advocacy are not required to complete LAWS12072 Legal Research as a core unit.
  - Students who commenced in CG98 prior to 2017 who have not completed LAWS12064 have the option to complete either LAWS12064 or LAWS12072.
  - Students who commence in 2017 must complete LAWS12072 as a core unit, but may still complete LAWS12064 as an elective.
- Students who have previously completed LAWS11058 Advanced Criminal Law may include this unit as one of their Specified Law electives.
- Students who have previously completed LAWS19035 Property Law A are not required to complete LAWS12066 Land Law.
- Students who have previously completed LAWS12059 Property Law B are not required to complete LAWS12065 Foundations of Property Law.
- Students who have previously completed LAWS12055 Constitutional Law are not required to complete LAWS11065 Constitutional Law.
- Students must have completed both LAWS12057 Civil Procedure A and LAWS12058 Civil Procedure B to be exempt from completing LAWS13017 Civil Procedure. If only one of these units has been completed it may be used as an elective and LAWS13017 will need to be completed.

Admission into CH75 Bachelor of Laws (Honours):

Students who complete the CG98 Bachelor of Laws may apply for admission to the Honours course provided that one of the following admission criteria is met:

- A grade point average (GPA) of 4.5 across the entire CG98 Bachelor of Laws course and permission from the Head of Program; or
- A grade point average (GPA) of 5.0 in the third level of the CG98 Bachelor of Laws course, with at least one unit which having been completed with a distinction grade or above.

If you have any questions in regard to your course, please contact the Course Advice Team:

Please check the CQU Handbook for term availabilities and pre-requisites as they may change from year to year http://handbook.cqu.edu.au

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GLOSSARY

- **Course:** A course is the combination of units that contribute towards either a CQUiversity award qualification or non-award study.

- **Course Code:** A course code identifies the specific course a student may be studying at CQUiversity.

- **Unit:** A unit is the individual subject students must complete in order to graduate from their course.

- **Unit Code:** A unit code identifies a specific unit that a student is enrolled in under their course.

- **Pre-Requisite (Pre-Req) Unit:** A pre-req unit is a unit which students must pass before being allowed to enrol in the subsequent unit.

- **Co-Requisite (Co-Req) Unit:** A co-req unit is a unit that must be studied at the same time as another unit.

- **Anti-Requisite (Anti-Req) Unit:** An anti-req unit is an old unit that has been replaced by a new unit and students are not permitted to study the old unit.

- **Credit Points (CP):** Credit Points are the numerical value of a unit which contributes to the total Credit Points for a course.

- **Core Unit:** A core unit is a compulsory unit that a student must study to meet the requirements of their course.

- **Elective Unit:** An elective unit is a unit within a course that is not compulsory and students may have a choice in what unit they study, provided it meets the elective requirements of their course.

- **Major:** A major is a specific area within a course where a student specialises in and is normally made up of 8 units for undergraduate courses, and 4 units for postgraduate courses. Not all courses have majors.

- **Double Major:** A double major is where students specialise in 2 areas of study and is normally made up of 16 units. Double majors are normally only available in undergraduate courses.

- **Minor:** Like a major, a minor is a specific area within a course where a student specialises and is normally made up of 4 units.

- **Term:** A specified period of time for higher education units in which teaching, learning and assessment occurs. CQUiversity offers 3 Academic Terms per year: Term 1, Term 2 and Term 3.