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Group	Course	Offerings
<b>Graduate Research Degrees</b>		
Law	Master of Laws by Research (LLM(Res))	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Murdoch campus (internal)</li> <li>• Murdoch campus (external) (subject to approval on a case-by-case basis)</li> </ul>

## LAW

### MASTER OF LAWS BY RESEARCH (LLM(RES))

**The LLM (Res) is a research degree designed for students who wish to undertake specialised research in law. All students are required to produce a thesis of up to 60,000 words (including footnotes)(24 points) and complete advanced coursework in research training (12 points).**

**Students entering the degree with evidence of prior research training equivalent to AQF Level 8 as exemplified by a Research Honours in Law may be awarded advanced standing for part, or all, of the coursework component. The degree may be completed in one year if advanced standing is obtained for all coursework. Once conferred, LLM (Res) graduates will be assessed on a case-by-case basis and may be considered eligible for admission to Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) candidature.**

Master of Laws by Research (LLM(Res))

Duration: 1.5 years full-time or part-time equivalent; OR 12 months for entrance with Law Honours, or part-time equivalent

Restriction: All graduate courses are subject to restriction.

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#### Special Requirements:

Students are required to identify an Academic willing and capable to supervise their topic.

#### Admission Requirements (Onshore):

To be eligible for admission as a candidate in the 36 point Master of Laws by Research, an applicant must have:

- \* a Bachelor Degree in Law (AQF level 7), or equivalent; or
- \* a Bachelor Degree in a cognate discipline and satisfy the Graduate Research Manager with evidence of significant scholarly or professional attainments which would indicate a capacity to undertake the requirements of the degree.

To be eligible to enter the Masters with advanced standing for the coursework component and be required to complete the thesis only, applicants must have:

- \* a Bachelor Degree with Research Honours (AQF level 8)
- \* a Degree at AQF 8 or above in a cognate discipline and satisfy the Graduate Research Manager with evidence of significant scholarly or professional attainments, which would indicate a capacity to undertake the requirements of the degree.

#### Availability:

- Murdoch campus (internal)<br/>Murdoch campus (external)  
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### Course Structure - 36 credit points

All candidates are required to submit a thesis in an approved area of up to 60,000 words including footnotes (24 credit points).

#### Coursework - 12 credit points

##### Core Units - 6 credit points

LLB582 Legal Research Methods for Honours - 3 points  
MURDOCH: H-internal, Y-internal

LLB583 Advanced Supervised Legal Research - 3 points  
MURDOCH: S1-internal, S2-internal, SUM-internal, W-internal

#### Electives - 6 credit points

Students must choose up to 6 points of credit from any 500 or 600 level electives available. Where possible, students should enrol in units related to their thesis topic and as approved by their supervisor.

Students may enrol in either :

LLM512 Legal Practice Placement I

or LLM513 Legal Practice Placement II

or

LLM603 Masters by Coursework Research Project - 3 points

as part of their program of study for their electives.

#### Thesis - 24 credit points

LLM700 Master of Laws (Research) - 24 points

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## PREREQUISITES

#### Advanced Supervised Legal Research (LLB583)

Enrolment in LLB Honours

#### Legal Practice Placement I (LLM512)

Enrolment in the Graduate Certificate in Legal Practice.

#### Legal Practice Placement II (LLM513)

Enrolment in the Graduate Certificate in Legal Practice; LLM512 OR concurrent enrolment with LLM512

#### Legal Research Methods for Honours (LLB582)

Admission to the Honours Programme in Law or Legal Studies (pre 2017) or Law Business and Society.

#### Master of Laws (Research) (LLM700)

Enrolment in the Masters of Law