

Academic Year 2025/26

LLM in Mediation and International Commercial Dispute Resolution (September Entry)

Code: 5890F/P

LLM in Mediation and International Commercial Dispute Resolution (January Entry)

Code: 5897F/P

Postgraduate Diploma in Mediation and International Commercial Dispute Resolution (September Entry)

Code: 3551F/P

Postgraduate Diploma in Mediation and International Commercial Dispute Resolution (January Entry)

Code: 3552F/P

Postgraduate Certificate in Mediation and International Commercial Dispute Resolution (September Entry)

Code: 3191P

Notes

- (i) *These programme regulations should be read in conjunction with the University's Taught Programme Regulations and Credit Accumulation and Transfer Scheme (CATS) regulations.*
- (ii) *A core module for outcomes is a module which a student must pass.*
- (iii) *A core module for PSRB accreditation is a module a student is required to pass to obtain accreditation.*
- (iv) *A compulsory module is a module which a student is required to study.*
- (v) *All modules are delivered in Linear mode unless stated otherwise as Block, eLearning or distance learning.*
- (vi) *Credits from modules taken have a maximum validity of 3 years from the date of the Board of Examiners' meeting where a qualification is awarded. This is the timeframe in which candidates can return to increase a Postgraduate Certificate award to a Postgraduate Diploma or a Postgraduate Diploma award to a Masters.*

1. Programme Structure

- (a) The programmes (apart from the Postgraduate Certificate which is only available in part-time mode) are available for study in both full-time and part-time modes.
- (b) For the Masters (September entry), the period for full-time mode shall be one year, and part-time mode shall normally be two years.

For the Masters (January entry), the period for full-time mode shall be 18 months, and part-time mode shall normally be two years.

For the Postgraduate Diploma (September entry), the period for full time mode shall be 12 months, or part-time 24 months.

For the Postgraduate Diploma (January entry), the period for full time mode shall be 12 months, or part-time 24 months.

For the Postgraduate Certificate, the period for part-time mode shall be 9 months starting in September.

- (c) The Masters programme comprises modules to a credit value of 180 (120 taught credits and 60 credit dissertation). The Postgraduate Diploma comprises modules to a credit value of 120 taught credits and the Postgraduate Certificate comprises taught modules to a credit value of 60.

Masters (Full-time) and Postgraduate Diploma (Full-time)

- (d) All Masters and Postgraduate Diploma candidates shall take the following compulsory modules*:

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Credits Sem 3</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Core for PSRB Accreditation</i>	<i>Core for learning outcomes</i>	<i>Mode</i>
LAW8091	Legal Research: Theory and Method	20	20			7				eLearning **
LAW8331	Mediation Law	20		20		7				Distance learning
LAW8332	Mediation Practice & Skills	20	20			7		Core		Distance learning
LAW8333	Mediation Theory	20		20		7		Core		Distance learning
LAW8549	Dispute Resolution and Conflict Studies	20	20			7		Core		Distance learning
LAW8578	Technology and ODR	20		20		7				Distance learning

*January entry students will take semester 2 modules first.

** This module is delivered through eLearning for students studying programmes delivered on campus and distance learning for students studying for an award in Mediation and International Commercial Dispute Resolution.

- (e) Masters candidates **only** will take one of the modules below and the choice will be determined by the candidate's month of entry to the programme:

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Credits Sem 3</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Core for PSRB Accreditation</i>	<i>Core for learning outcomes</i>	<i>Mode</i>
LAW8099	Dissertation (September entry)	60			60	7				Distance learning

LAW8199	Dissertation (January entry)	60		60		7				Distance learning
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Masters (Part-time)

- (f) Part-time candidates' will take the modules listed in sections (d) and (e) but the route through the programme will be agreed with the Degree Programme Director. All part-time candidates shall take LAW8091 and LAW8099 or LAW8199 in their second year.

Postgraduate Diploma (Part-time)

- (g) All part-time diploma candidates shall take the following compulsory modules in year 1*:

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Credits Sem 3</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Core for PSRB Accreditation</i>	<i>Core for learning outcomes</i>	<i>Mode</i>
LAW8332	Mediation Practice & Skills	20	20			7		Core		Distance learning
LAW8333	Mediation Theory	20		20		7		Core		Distance learning
LAW8549	Dispute Resolution and Conflict Studies	20	20			7		Core		Distance learning

*January entry students will take semester 2 modules first.

- (h) All part-time postgraduate diploma candidates shall take the following compulsory modules in year 2*:

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Credits Sem 3</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Core for PSRB Accreditation</i>	<i>Core for learning outcomes</i>	<i>Mode</i>
LAW8091	Legal Research: Theory and Method	20	20			7				eLearning **
LAW8331	Mediation Law	20		20		7				Distance learning
LAW8578	Technology and ODR	20		20		7				Distance learning

*January entry students will take semester 2 modules first.

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Postgraduate Certificate (Part-time)

- (i) All postgraduate certificate candidates will take the following modules:

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Credits Sem 3</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Core for PSRB Accreditation</i>	<i>Core for learning outcomes</i>	<i>Mode</i>
LAW8332	Mediation Practice & Skills	20	20			7		Core		Distance learning
LAW8333	Mediation Theory	20		20		7		Core		Distance learning
LAW8549	Dispute Resolution and Conflict Studies	20	20			7		Core		Distance learning

2. Assessment methods

Details of the assessment pattern for each module are explained in the module outline.

3. Progression and Assessment

- (a) The duration and point of entry of the programme that you undertake will determine the order that you take your modules in, the number of modules that you shall normally take per semester, and academic year for your chosen award (see section 1b for programme structure).
- (b) The Masters degree, the Postgraduate Diploma and the Postgraduate Certificate are awarded as follows:
- 50 – 59 Pass
 - 60 – 69 Pass with Merit
 - 70 or above Pass with Distinction
- (c) Candidates studying the Masters may exit with a Postgraduate Certificate as a lesser award if 60 taught credits have been passed or a Postgraduate Diploma if 120 taught credits have been passed. Candidates studying the Postgraduate Diploma may exit with a Postgraduate Certificate as a lesser award if 60 taught credits have been passed. These may be awarded as follows:
- 50 – 59 Pass
 - 60 – 69 Pass with Merit
 - 70 or above Pass with Distinction
- (d) Postgraduate Certificate candidates who wish to be considered for transfer to the Postgraduate Diploma (part-time route only) can do this after a) passing modules to the value of at least 20 credits or b) within three years of the date of award of the Postgraduate Certificate. Approval of the transfer will be dependent on the modules passed, the validity of the modules and the requirements of the

programme regulations. Postgraduate Certificate and Diploma candidates who wish to be considered for transfer to the Masters award can do this after a) passing modules to the value of at least 40 credits or b) within three years of the date of award of the Postgraduate Certificate or Diploma. Approval of the transfer will be dependent on the modules passed, the validity of the modules and the requirements of the programme regulations.