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Programme Name: Doctor of Philosophy in Law (PhDLAW)

Programme Description

The Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Law is a research qualification that can be completed on a full-time or part-time basis. Students are expected to conduct advanced and original research leading to the completion of a Thesis (80,000 – 100,000 words including notes and bibliography).

Number of courses

Total credit point. **360**

Admission Requirements:

To be admitted to the PhD in Law, an applicant must:

- 1) Have a Master of Laws (LLM) by Thesis or by Coursework and Thesis (Major or Minor) with:
 - a GPA of at least 4.0, or a GPA of at least 3.5 but under 4.0 and at least 5 years of relevant professional and/or research experience; or
- 2) Have a Master of Laws (LLM) by Coursework with:
 - a GPA of at least 4.0, and proof of successful completion of a relevant postgraduate research methods course, and proof of successful completion of DRP601 (Directed Research Project) or its equivalent; or
- 3) Have a Master of Laws (LLM) by Coursework with:
 - a GPA of at least 3.5 and
 - at least 5 years of relevant professional and/or research experience, and
 - proof of successful completion of a relevant postgraduate research methods course.

Note: Successful completion of LAW401 (Legal Methodology and Research) will satisfy the postgraduate research methods course requirement under Clauses 2 and 3.

Duration of the programme:

The normal duration is 3 years of full-time study or 6 years of part-time study. The maximum period is 5 years for full-time students and 7 years for part-time students.

Location: Samabula & Saweni

Estimated Tuition Fees - Local (FJD): \$5,750.00

Estimated Tuition Fees –International (FJD): \$11,500.00

Programme Structure
Prerequisite Courses

Courses that satisfy the prerequisites required for certain applicants include (but are not limited to):

Course Title	Credit Points
LAW401 Legal Methodology and Research	30

Course

Students must complete the following compulsory unit.

Course Title	Credit Points
LAW700/LAW700PT Doctor of Philosophy in Law	360

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