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Pathways to law at UQ



Securing the ATAR you need to get into law can be a challenge. If you miss out the first time, don't let that discourage you.

"Getting accepted into law school at university can be a challenge. If you're not accepted into law school at UQ straight away, don't be deterred; there are several alternative pathways you can take to gain entry."



Ella North, Bachelor of Arts / Bachelor of Laws (Honours) graduate.

Read more about Ella's journey as a law student.



Get your questions answered. Phone a UQ Student Adviser on 07 3346 9872 or visit the study website: study.uq.edu.au/contact

Requirements to study law at UQ

If you're applying in 2026 to study a Bachelor of Laws (Honours) or dual program at UQ, and you don't meet the ATAR requirements*, there are other options available to you.

Study a different program initially

Did you know?

Approximately one-third of UQ law students enter law after doing 1 year of full-time study in another program.

a) Double your skills and opportunities by combining law with a second degree

Commence in a single UQ program that partners with law in a dual program. If your GPA is sufficient after a full year of study in the single program, you can apply for the dual program. You may receive credit towards the dual program for your first year of completed study.

b) Study any other UQ program for 1 year

Studies undertaken at UQ are allocated more generous rankings than those allocated to tertiary studies from elsewhere. If you wish to improve your rank for entry, consider completing one full year of bachelor or higher studies in any program at UQ. After the first year of full-time study, apply for the single Bachelor of Laws (Honours) program. If successful, the duration of your program may be no longer than if you had entered into law straight from school.

c) Study a program at another university

If you've completed an undergraduate program at another university, you may be eligible to apply for credit towards a UQ law program as a graduate.

The required entry score to transfer into law (or a law dual) will vary each year and depend on demand.

See the tertiary studies selection rank information sheet to see how you can use tertiary studies to calculate a selection rank: study.uq.edu.au/sites/default/files/2020-03/tertiary-studies-selection-rank-info-sheet.pdf

In 2025, a rank of 97.5 or above was required for entry to the Bachelor of Laws (Honours) program.

Apply for the UQ Undergraduate Law Admission Scheme (ULAS)

Pro-tip

In 2026, there are up to 20 places for students applying through ULAS, so why not give it a go?

The UQ Undergraduate Law Admission Scheme, or ULAS, is an alternative entry pathway open to applicants from disadvantaged and/or culturally diverse backgrounds. It supports eligible Australian citizens and humanitarian visa holders who achieve a minimum unadjusted ATAR or selection rank of 90.00.

To be eligible, you need to be in Year 12 or have done no more than one year of tertiary education as well as meet at least one of the following criteria:

- be the first in your immediate family to attend university
- be an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person
- come from a low-income family (if relying on this criteria, you must also apply for QTAC's Educational Access Scheme as per the details below).

Learn more about ULAS: study.uq.edu.au/admissions/undergraduate/review-admission-schemes/undergraduate-law-admission-scheme

QTAC's Educational Access Scheme (EAS)

QTAC's Educational Access Scheme (EAS) awards ATAR adjustments under strict conditions for students impacted by any of the following categories:

- home environment and responsibilities (e.g. caring for a seriously ill family member)
- financial hardship
- school environment (e.g. regional or remote schooling)
- personal illness or disability
- English language difficulty.

EAS is open to all QTAC applicants, not just current school leavers. Applications are assessed by QTAC and independent of UQ. Eligible applicants may receive ATAR adjustments to boost their score. Find out more at EAS: qtac.edu.au/educational-access-scheme

For more information on your pathway options:

W: study.uq.edu.au/admissions/undergraduate/consider-your-pathway-options

P: 07 3346 9872

*In Semester 1, 2025 a minimum ATAR of 97.5 was required. Meeting the entry score threshold doesn't guarantee admission. Entry score thresholds can change each year depending on how many places are available and how many people apply. Information is accurate as of July 2025. All information in this document is indicative only and may change without notice.