

 BOND UNIVERSITY	ACADEMIC PROGRAMS POLICY
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1. PURPOSE AND OBJECTIVES

Bond University is registered by TEQSA to self-accredit and offer award programs as prescribed by the [Australian Qualifications Framework](#) (AQF). In compliance with all relevant national regulatory requirements and standards, this Policy describes:

- the titles and classification of award and non-award programs of study offered by Bond University;
- minimum program entry requirements; and
- the duration of programs and other essential characteristics.

2. AUDIENCE AND APPLICATION

This Policy governs all coursework programs at Bond University. Masters Degree (Research) and Doctoral programs are governed by the Research Masters and Doctoral Programs Policy.

3. ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Role	Responsibility
Vice Chancellor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Approves programs of study ▪ May waive the requirements of this Policy as considered appropriate
Chair, Academic Senate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Policy owner
Academic Senate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Recommends approval of programs of study to the Vice Chancellor
Curriculum Review Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Monitors coursework programs delivered by the University ▪ Reviews and make recommendations on proposals for new, and major changes to, coursework programs
Executive Dean of Faculty or Head of University Academic Unit (UAU)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Approves programs of study for students ▪ Approves academic credit ▪ Approves exemption from undertaking a compulsory subject

4. POLICY STATEMENT

4.1. Programs Offered

Bond University offers the following coursework programs of study:

- **Award Programs**
 - Diploma (AQF Level 5)
 - Associate Degree (AQF Level 6)
 - Bachelor Degree (AQF Level 7)
 - Bachelor Degree with Honours (AQF Level 8)
 - Graduate Certificate (AQF Level 8)
 - Graduate Diploma (AQF Level 8)
 - Juris Doctor (AQF Level 9)
 - Coursework Masters (AQF Level 9)
- **Non-Award Programs**
 - English Program
 - Foundation Program
 - Diploma Preparation Program
 - Exchange Program
 - Study Abroad Program
 - Student for a Semester Program

The University also offers other bespoke opportunities for non-award study that cater for individuals seeking to study for general interest or for professional development purposes.

4.2. Admission

The Admissions Policy specifies the entry requirements and application process for admission to Bond University's coursework programs.

4.3. Program of Study

Degrees, Diplomas, Foundation, University Preparation and Diploma Preparation programs consist of work at the determined level in the relevant field of study as approved by the Academic Senate of the University. The program of study to be taken by a student, and any alteration to the approved program during the period of enrolment, is subject to the approval of the relevant Executive Dean or Head of UAU, or delegate.

A student may not undertake concurrently any other program at the University unless the requirements for concurrent enrolment have been satisfied. Refer to Enrolment Policy.

4.4. Credit Point System

The University's pathway, undergraduate and postgraduate programs are comprised of credit points (CPS), which normally fall within the following parameters:

PATHWAY PROGRAMS			
Foundation		80 CPS	
Diploma Preparation		30 CPS	

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS		POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMS	
Diploma	80 CPS	Graduate Certificate	40 CPS
Bachelor	240 – 360 CPS	Graduate Diploma	80 CPS
Honours Year	80 – 90 CPS	Masters	120 – 160 CPS

Subjects normally constitute 10 CPS.

4.5. Core Curriculum

Bond University's Core Curriculum provides for the development of essential graduate attributes, supports students' capacity to acquire the knowledge and skills taught in their discipline-specific coursework, and prepares graduates to translate these capabilities into their professional lives.

All Bachelor Degree students must complete the Core Curriculum subjects, as set out in the relevant Bachelor Degree structure, except where credit or exemption has been approved.

4.6. Majors, Minors and Specialisations

Bond University offers Majors (six subjects from one discipline area), Double Majors (12 subjects), Minors (four subjects) and Specialisations (at least four subjects) from a wide range of discipline areas.

4.7. Joint Degrees

The academic standards of jointly conferred degrees must be equivalent to those offered solely by Bond University. The partner institution must have the academic standing to deliver jointly conferred degrees to the required academic standards.

Where the research component is 30% or greater, the research component must be supervised jointly by each partner institution.

4.8. Credit for Prior Learning

Academic credit may be granted by the relevant Executive Dean or Head of UAU, or delegate, on the basis of a qualification or subjects completed at another approved tertiary institution with a grade equivalent to at least a passing grade at Bond University. Refer to Academic Credit Policy.

4.9. Exemption

A student may be exempted by the relevant Executive Dean or Head of UAU, or delegate, from having to study a compulsory subject but will be required to study another subject in its place. Exemption may be granted for relevant experience and/or formal study. A Faculty or UAU may specify that a student must undertake a specific subject in place of the exempted subject.

Applications for exemptions must be submitted no later than the end of the first semester of enrolment unless there are exceptional circumstances as approved by the relevant Executive Dean or Head of UAU, or delegate.

4.10. Cross-Institutional Study

Bond University students who wish to enrol in a subject or subjects offered by another Higher Education Provider, and who wish to have those subject(s) credited towards their Bond program, must seek approval from their Executive Dean or Head of UAU, or delegate, prior to such enrolment.

Cross-institutional study may be approved where an acceptable justification for not taking the subjects at Bond University is provided by the student and where the subject syllabus is considered to be an acceptable substitute for the comparable subject offered by the Faculty or UAU as part of the Bond program.

4.11. Progressive Awards

Students admitted to a higher level program in a nested set of programs or to a program which offers a lower level exit point may apply to graduate with the lower level award upon completion of the requirements for the lower level award while continuing in the higher level program if, and only if, the programs are in the same discipline area.

4.12. Completion of Program

Except for the Medical Program, any coursework program must be completed within 10 years from the first semester of commencement of the program. The Medical Program must be completed within 7 years from the first semester of commencement of the program.

A student who has completed all requirements of an award program may apply to the University Registrar to be admitted to that award. Refer to Graduation Policy.

5. DEFINITIONS, TERMS, ACRONYMS

Academic credit	Credit for subjects in a program of study granted on the basis of successful prior learning.
Applicant	A person who has submitted an application for admission to the University.
Award	A degree, graduate diploma, graduate certificate, associate degree or diploma conferred by the University upon completion of a coursework program or a program of research.
Combined degree	An approved combination of two programs at the same level, where, on completion, a student will be conferred with an award for both programs.
Compulsory subject	A subject which must be successfully completed, unless credit or exemption is granted, in order to qualify for an award.
Coursework program	Any program of study where the assessable content by research represents less than two-thirds of the total assessable content for the program (i.e. a program consisting of 34% or more of coursework studies).
Credit points (CPS)	The numerical value assigned to a subject which, when related to the total points for the program, is a measure of the size of the subject's contribution to the content of the program (e.g. most undergraduate subjects constitute 10 CPS).
Cross-institutional study	A student of one tertiary institution is permitted to enrol in another institution on the basis that the subject/s completed will be credited to an award of the home institution.
Enrolment	The process whereby a student is formally registered in one or more subjects each semester.
Exchange	The process of attending another institution under formalised exchange agreements between that institution and Bond University. An outgoing exchange student pays all tuition fees to Bond University.
Exemption	A compulsory subject that a student is exempt from undertaking. The subject must be replaced with an alternative subject. An exemption does not reduce the overall number of subjects required for the program and is generally granted for relevant experience.
Faculty	Bond Business School, Faculty of Health Sciences & Medicine, Faculty of Law, and Faculty of Society & Design (each of which is headed by an Executive Dean).
HDR	Higher Degree by Research.

Honours	Some Bachelor Degrees may be completed 'with Honours'. This may involve either the completion of a separate Honours Year or additional work in the later years of the program, or meritorious achievement over all years of the program. Honours are awarded by Class (e.g. First Class, Second Class).
Joint degree	A single program taught by Bond University and one or more partner institutions that is jointly approved and collaboratively developed and delivered. It culminates in a single joint award that is recognised, accredited, and badged by all the partner institutions.
Major	A 'major' sequence typically comprises at least six defined subjects within one discipline area; 'double major' means an augmented sequence comprising at least 12 semester subjects within one area of study.
Minor	A 'minor' sequence of subjects (normally four) within one discipline area.
Non-degree student	A student enrolled in subjects, where completion of the subjects does not result in an award. The student is assessed in the subject.
Postgraduate award	An award of Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma, Masters Degree, or Doctorate.
Postgraduate student	A student enrolled in a program that will lead to a postgraduate award.
Semester	A designated academic period, normally of 14 weeks duration including any relevant examination period. Standard semesters in the academic year commence in January, May, and September.
Student	A person who is enrolled in one or more subjects or a research program offered by the University.
Study abroad	The process of attending an approved institution overseas. An outgoing study abroad student pays all tuition fees directly to the other institution.
Subject	A segment of instruction approved by a Faculty or UAU as being a discrete part of the requirements for a program offered by the University and identified by a unique subject code. A reference to a subject is taken to include a phase, discipline, or theme in the Medical Program unless the context indicates otherwise.
TEQSA	Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency.
Undergraduate award	An award at Associate or Bachelor Degree level.
Undergraduate student	A student enrolled in a program that leads to an undergraduate award. Includes a student in pathway programs such as the English, Foundation, and Diploma Preparation programs.
University Academic Unit	Bond University College (headed by the Director) and Transformation CoLab (headed by the Assistant Provost).

6. AFFILIATED PROCEDURES AND SCHEDULES

[Schedule A](#): English Program

[Schedule B](#): Foundation Program and Diploma Preparation Program

[Schedule C](#): Diploma

[Schedule D](#): Associate Degree

[Schedule E](#): Bachelor Degree

[Schedule F](#): Bachelor Degree with Honours

[Schedule G](#): Graduate Certificate

[Schedule H](#): Graduate Diploma

[Schedule I](#): Coursework Masters and Juris Doctor

[Schedule J](#): Exchange Program

[Schedule K](#): Study Abroad Program

[Schedule L](#): Student for a Semester Program

7. RELATED DOCUMENTS

- [Academic Credit Policy](#)
- [Academic Progress Policy](#)
- [Admissions Policy](#)
- [Curriculum Management Policy](#)
- [Enrolment Policy](#)
- [Graduation Policy](#)
- [Higher Degree by Research Programs Policy](#)

8. MODIFICATION HISTORY

Date	Sections	Source	Details
14 December 2022			Regulations to Policy

ENGLISH PROGRAM

1. Purpose

The Bond University English program is specifically designed to provide students with required academic language skills to prepare them for university study.

2. Admission

An applicant for admission must meet the appropriate level of English proficiency requirements by:

- successful completion of an approved English language test; or
- successful completion of a Bond University placement test.

An International English Language Testing System (IELTS) Academic result (or equivalent) corresponds to the following entry levels:

- English Level 1 – IELTS 3.0 (any band less than 3.0) or lower;
- English Level 2 – IELTS 3.5 (no band less than 3.0);
- English Level 3 – IELTS 4.0 (writing 4.0, no other band less than 3.5);
- English Level 4 – IELTS 4.5 (writing 4.5, no other band less than 4.0);
- English Level 5 – IELTS 5.0 (writing 5.0, no other band less than 4.5);
- English Level 6 – IELTS 5.5 (writing 5.5, no other band less than 5.0);
- English Level 7 – IELTS 6.0 (writing 6.0, no other band less than 5.5).

3. Program Duration

The program duration for each level of English normally extends over 10 weeks of full-time study. Full-time students normally study for 25 hours per week.

4. Program of Study

English is a full-time program comprising seven levels of study designed to progressively prepare students for entry into other Bond University programs.

Students may be offered the option to enrol in the corresponding English portfolio subject to satisfy the entry requirements for the next level of the English program. Students will be permitted only one attempt at the English Portfolio subject per level. If a student fails the English Portfolio level, they will be required to complete the corresponding English level.

5. Credit for Prior Learning

Refer to Academic Credit Policy.

FOUNDATION PROGRAM AND DIPLOMA PREPARATION PROGRAM**1. Purpose**

Bond University College delivers preparatory programs for domestic and international students who are seeking to upgrade their skills and capabilities enabling these students to seek entry into higher education programs in Australia. The current programs are:

- Foundation Program for international students; and
- Diploma Preparation Program for international and domestic students.

2. Admission

Bond University sets minimum academic qualification requirements for international students who have studied outside Australia. These requirements are specified on the [Bond University website](#) and are regularly updated.

In terms of English language requirements, the minimum English language proficiency level is:

- for the Foundation Program – IELTS Academic 5.5 (no band less than 5.0), or equivalent; and
- for the Diploma Preparation Program – IELTS Academic 6.0 (no band less than 5.5), or equivalent.

3. Program Duration

The Foundation Program consists of two semesters of full-time study comprising 40 CPS per semester. The Diploma Preparation Program consists of 30 CPS which is equivalent to one semester of full-time study.

4. Program of Study

The program of study to be taken by a student, and any alteration to the approved program during the period of enrolment, is subject to the approval of the Director, Bond University College, or delegate.

5. Credit for Prior Learning

Refer to Academic Credit Policy.

DIPLOMA

1. Purpose

Bond University offers Diploma programs which are awarded in one grade only. Completion of a Diploma also serves as a pathway opportunity into Bond University Bachelor programs.

2. Admission

An applicant for admission to enrolment in a Diploma program must, in conjunction with specific entry requirements as detailed by the Faculty of enrolment:

- comply with the general requirements for admission to undergraduate programs at Bond University as set out in the Admissions Policy; or
- possess other qualifications and experience which are, in the opinion of the relevant Executive Dean, a suitable preparation for the program of study proposed.

3. Program Duration

The program of study must be completed in not less than two semesters of full-time study or an equivalent period of part-time study.

4. Program of Study

The program of study to be taken by a student, and any alteration to the approved program during the period of enrolment, is subject to the approval of the relevant Executive Dean, or delegate.

5. Credit for Prior Learning

Refer to Academic Credit Policy.

ASSOCIATE DEGREE

1. Purpose

Associate Degree programs, awarded in one grade only, are available at Bond University as an exit qualification from some Bachelor Degrees.

2. Eligibility

Faculty approval required.

3. Program Duration

The program normally involves four semesters of full-time study or eight semesters of part-time study.

4. Program of Study

The program of study to be taken by a student, and any alteration to the approved program, is subject to the approval of the relevant Executive Dean, or delegate.

BACHELOR DEGREE

1. Award

Bond University offers Bachelor Degree programs which are awarded in one grade only. These programs seek to develop knowledge and skills in students for future professional work and/or further learning.

2. Admission

An applicant for admission to enrolment in a Bachelor Degree must, in conjunction with specific entry requirements as detailed by the Faculty of enrolment or the Transformation CoLab, comply with the general requirements for admission to undergraduate programs at Bond University as set out in the Admissions Policy.

3. Program Duration

The program for each degree must be completed in not less than six semesters of full-time study or an equivalent period of part-time study, except in the case of the degree of Bachelor of Laws (LLB) where the program may not be completed in less than eight semesters of full-time study or an equivalent period of part-time study.

The program must, in the case of combinations not including the LLB, be completed in not less than eight semesters; and in the case of combined programs including the LLB, in not less than 10 semesters of full-time study or an equivalent period of part-time study.

4. Program of Study

The program of study to be taken by a student, and any alteration to the approved program during the period of enrolment, is subject to the approval of the Executive Dean of the Faculty of enrolment or the Assistant Provost in the case of the Transformation CoLab, or delegate.

5. Credit for Prior Learning

Refer to Academic Credit Policy.

6. Core Curriculum Subjects

The Core Curriculum subjects are set out in each Bachelor Degree structure and comprise the following subjects:

- CORE1 Critical Thinking and Communication
- CORE2 Collaboration, Teams and Leadership
- CORE3 Responsibility, Integrity and Civic Discourse
- CORE4 Beyond Bond: Professional Development and Community Engagement.

Completion requirements in relation to the Core Curriculum subjects are as follows:

- Students are required to complete CORE1 Critical Thinking and Communication within the first two semesters of enrolment and CORE2 Collaboration, Teams and Leadership within the first three semesters of enrolment. Students are encouraged to complete CORE3 Responsibility, Integrity and Civic Discourse within the first four semesters of enrolment.
- A student who has not completed CORE1 Critical Thinking and Communication will only be allowed to enrol in a third semester with the permission of the Executive Dean of the Faculty of enrolment or the Assistant Provost in the case of the Transformation CoLab, or delegate.
- A student who has not completed CORE2 Collaboration, Teams and Leadership will only be allowed to enrol in a fourth semester with the permission of the Executive Dean of the Faculty of enrolment or the Assistant Provost in the case of the Transformation CoLab, or delegate.
- In order to meet program completion requirements and be eligible to graduate, students must complete three CORE subjects for credit and CORE4 Beyond Bond: Professional Development and Community Engagement.

7. Combined Degrees

Students may undertake any two Bachelor Degrees concurrently provided they have been approved as a combined degree, subject to the following:

- Combined degrees take account of the subjects common to both degrees, such as Core and other subjects, and eliminate general electives for each degree. Students enrolled in a combined degree program need only take these common subjects once to meet the requirements for both degrees.
- Students are required to complete only the distinctive foundation/major/stream compulsory elements of both degrees. The combined degree must include a distinctive major/stream for each degree.

- The minimum number of subjects required to complete combined degrees is 32. Where the combined program contains a Bachelor of Laws, the minimum number of subjects is 40.
- General electives are added to the combined degree, where necessary, to make the minimum number of subjects for the combined program.
- Where there is significant overlap between specialist areas (i.e. majors or streams) of two degrees, students may be precluded from undertaking specific majors, or combinations of majors.
- Where the content of a required subject is replicated in a subject from the other program in the combined degree, specific subject requirements may be waived.
- Students electing to graduate with one degree from the combined program must satisfy the conditions for that single degree program to be eligible to graduate.
- The Medical Program cannot be undertaken in combination with any other degree.

BACHELOR DEGREE WITH HONOURS

1. Purpose

Bond University offers Bachelor Degree with Honours programs to develop advanced knowledge and skills in students for future professional work and/or further learning. There are specific provisions for the degree of Bachelor of Laws with Honours, as detailed below.

2. Admission

To be eligible for admission to enrolment as an Honours student in degree programs other than the Bachelor of Laws, a student must meet the requirements stipulated by the admissions criteria from the Faculty to which the student is seeking admission, and:

- have completed, at Bond University, the requirements for the relevant pass degree with:
 - at least credit grades in subjects taken in the final two semesters of Bachelor Degree enrolment within the major area of study which is the proposed area of Honours study; and
 - have completed at least a major study in the proposed area of Honours study; or
- have completed the requirements for a Bachelor Degree at another approved tertiary institution which, in the opinion of the Executive Dean of the Faculty of enrolment, is a suitable preparation for admission to enrolment as an Honours student in the proposed area of study.

In the first instance, students should discuss their enrolment plans with prospective supervisor(s) within the relevant Faculty.

3. Program of Study and Duration

Except in the case of the degree of Bachelor of Laws, a student enrolled in the Bachelor Degree with Honours must:

- pursue a full-time program of study comprising a minimum of two semesters and not more than three semesters, or an equivalent period of part-time enrolment; and
- complete a program of study comprising such coursework, research and/or projects as have been prescribed by the Executive Dean of the Faculty of enrolment in the outline of studies for the relevant area of study, and fulfill such other requirements as are prescribed by the Executive Dean of the Faculty of enrolment.

4. Part-time Enrolment

The Executive Dean of the Faculty of enrolment may permit a student to enrol as an Honours student on a part-time basis provided that, at the beginning of each semester, the student provides evidence of inability through employment or other commitments to proceed on a full-time basis.

5. Classes of Honours

The following classes apply to Honours Degrees other than those awarded in the Faculty of Law:

- Honours Class 1;
- Honours Class 2 Division A;
- Honours Class 2 Division B;
- Honours Class 3.

6. Bachelor of Laws with Honours

A student for the Bachelor of Laws with Honours Degree must:

- fulfil the requirements for the Bachelor Degree;
- achieve such overall standard of proficiency as the Executive Dean of the Faculty of Law may from time-to-time determine; and
- if the student commenced their degree in or after 2015, complete as one of the elective subjects in their program the subject *Legal Research Project* and achieve such result for the subject as the Executive Dean of the Faculty of Law may from time-to-time determine.

The following classes apply to Bachelor of Laws with Honours Degrees:

- If the student commenced their degree prior to 2015:
 - Honours Class 1;
 - Honours Class 2 Division A;
 - Honours Class 2 Division B.
- If the student commenced their degree in or after 2015:

- Honours Class 1;
- Honours Class 2.

To be eligible for a Bachelor of Laws with Honours degree:

- at least 16 of the subjects comprising the student's degree must be law subjects undertaken at Bond University; and
- at least 10 of the subjects making up the student's degree must be compulsory law subjects undertaken at Bond University.

A student who has completed fewer law subjects or fewer compulsory law subjects at Bond University may still be eligible for the Bachelor of Laws with Honours degree if the Executive Dean of the Faculty of Law determines this is appropriate in light of the student's performance in law subjects completed at another institution.

Eligibility for Honours and the relevant class of Honours will be calculated on the basis of the student's results in all attempts at law subjects undertaken at Bond University.

GRADUATE CERTIFICATE

1. Purpose

Bond University offers Graduate Certificate programs which are awarded in one grade only. These programs are generally designed for specific vocational purposes, either the broadening of skills and knowledge already gained through an undergraduate award, or vocational skills and knowledge in a new professional area.

2. Admission

Except in those cases where a Faculty's requirements specify holding a particular degree, an applicant for admission to enrolment in a Graduate Certificate must comply with the general requirements for admission to postgraduate programs at Bond University as set out in the Admissions Policy, and:

- have qualified for a degree of this University;
- have qualified for a degree, or equivalent, of another approved tertiary education institution; or
- possess other qualifications and experience which are, in the opinion of the Executive Dean of the Faculty of enrolment, a suitable preparation for the program of study proposed.

3. Program Duration

The program will normally extend over one semester of full-time study or two semesters of part-time study, with the exception of the Graduate Certificate in TESOL (one semester full-time only).

4. Program of Study

The program of study to be taken by a student, and any alteration to the approved program during the period of enrolment, is subject to the approval of the Executive Dean of the Faculty of enrolment or delegate.

5. Credit for Prior Learning

Refer to Academic Credit Policy.

6. Transfer to Graduate Diploma or Masters Degree

Provided the student has completed subjects successfully and complied with specific degree requirements, Graduate Certificate students may change enrolment to a Graduate Diploma or Masters Degree at any stage of enrolment, or upon completion of a Graduate Certificate may elect to enrol in a higher level program, with full credit for the subjects completed in the lower level program.

GRADUATE DIPLOMA

1. Purpose

Bond University offers Graduate Diploma programs which are awarded in one grade only. These programs are generally designed for specific vocational purposes, either the broadening of skills and knowledge already gained through an undergraduate award, or vocational skills and knowledge in a new professional area.

2. Admission

Except in those cases where a Faculty's requirements stipulate holding a specific degree, an applicant for admission to enrolment in a Graduate Diploma must comply with the general requirements for admission to postgraduate programs at Bond University as set out in the Admissions Policy, and:

- have qualified for a degree of this University;
- have qualified for a degree, or equivalent, of another approved tertiary education institution; or
- possess other qualifications and experience which are, in the opinion of the Executive Dean of the Faculty of enrolment, a suitable preparation for the program of study proposed.

3. Program Duration

The program of study will normally extend over two semesters of full-time study or four semesters of part-time study.

4. Program of Study

The program of study to be taken by a student, and any alteration to the approved program during the period of enrolment, is subject to the approval of the Executive Dean of the Faculty of enrolment or delegate.

5. Credit for Prior Learning

Refer to Academic Credit Policy.

6. Transfer to Masters Degree

Provided the student has completed subjects successfully and complied with specific degree requirements, Graduate Diploma students may change enrolment to a Masters Degree program at any stage of enrolment, or upon completion of the Graduate Diploma may elect to enrol in a Masters Degree, with full credit for the subjects completed in the lower level program.

COURSEWORK MASTERS AND JURIS DOCTOR

1. Purpose

Bond University offers Coursework Masters Degree programs which are awarded in two grades – a ‘Pass’ degree and a degree with ‘High Distinction’ (i.e. a program percentage average of 85% or above, applicable only where 50% or more of subjects completed in the program receive graded results).

The degree of Juris Doctor is awarded in two grades – a ‘Pass’ degree and a degree with ‘Honours/Distinction’.

These programs develop specialised knowledge and skills in students for future professional work and/or further learning. Each program must have a research component of not more than 66 percent of the sum of the work for the program.

2. Admission

An applicant for admission to enrolment in a Coursework Masters Degree or the degree of Juris Doctor must have completed a Bachelor Degree or postgraduate degree, or equivalent, or have qualifications and experience regarded by the Executive Dean as being equivalent.

3. Program Duration

A Coursework Masters Degree normally extends over three semesters of full-time study or six semesters of part-time study.

The degree of Juris Doctor must normally be completed in not less than six semesters of full-time study or an equivalent period of part-time study. If combined with another Bond degree, the combination must normally be completed in not less than 10 semesters of full-time study or an equivalent period of part-time study.

4. Program of Study

The program of study to be taken by a student, and any alteration to the approved program during the period of enrolment, is subject to the approval of the Executive Dean of the Faculty of enrolment or delegate.

5. Credit for Prior Learning

Refer to Academic Credit Policy.

6. Masters Combined Degrees

Students may undertake any two Coursework Masters Degrees concurrently provided they have been approved as a combined degree, subject to the following:

- Combined degrees take account of the subjects common to both degrees, such as foundation and other subjects, and eliminate general electives for each degree. Students enrolled in a combined degree program need only take these common subjects once to meet the requirements for both degrees.
- Students are required to complete only the distinctive and compulsory elements for both degrees. The combined degree must include a distinctive stream for each degree.
- The minimum number of credit points required to complete most postgraduate combined degrees is 180. General electives are added to the combined degree where necessary to make the minimum number of credit points for the combined program.
- Where there is significant overlap between specialist areas of two degrees, students may be precluded from undertaking specific majors, or combinations of majors.
- Where the content of a required subject is replicated in a subject from the other program in the combined degree, specific subject requirements may be waived.

7. Degree of Juris Doctor with Honours or Distinction

A student for the degree of Juris Doctor who satisfies the requirements below will:

- be awarded a Juris Doctor with Honours Degree if they commenced their degree prior to 2015; or
- be awarded a Juris Doctor with Distinction Degree if they commenced their degree in or after 2015.

The student must:

- fulfil the requirements for the degree of Juris Doctor; and
- achieve such overall standard of proficiency as the Executive Dean of the Faculty of Law may from time-to-time determine.

The following classes will apply to the Juris Doctor with Honours Degree and Juris Doctor with Distinction Degree.

- If the student commenced their degree prior to 2015:
 - Honours Class 1;
 - Honours Class 2 Division A;
 - Honours Class 2 Division B.

- If the student commenced their degree in or after 2015:
 - Distinction Class 1
 - Distinction Class 2

To be eligible for the Juris Doctor with Honours Degree or Juris Doctor with Distinction Degree:

- at least 12 of the subjects comprising the student's degree must be law subjects undertaken at Bond University; and
- at least 10 of the subjects making up the student's degree must be compulsory law subjects undertaken at Bond University.

A student who has completed fewer law subjects or fewer compulsory law subjects at Bond University may still be eligible for the Juris Doctor with Honours Degree or Juris Doctor with Distinction Degree if the Executive Dean of the Faculty of Law determines this is appropriate in light of the student's performance in law subjects completed at another institution.

Eligibility for Honours or Distinction, and the relevant class of Honours or Distinction, will be calculated on the basis of the student's results in all attempts at law subjects undertaken at Bond University.

EXCHANGE PROGRAM

1. Purpose

Students enrolled in undergraduate or postgraduate programs at Bond University and our exchange partner universities have the opportunity to diversify their academic and cultural experience by participating in an Exchange Program.

Students are required to enrol in a full semester's workload for a single semester of study, with both the host and home university's approval.

2. Eligibility

Students must be officially enrolled in an undergraduate or postgraduate degree program.

Students will normally have completed at least two semesters of study and achieved a cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) of at least 2.75/4 or equivalent.

Students enrolled in undergraduate degree programs at Bond University are not normally considered for exchange programs in their country of residence.

3. Academic Credit

It is intended that credit will be transferred from the host institution to the home institution, and vice versa, so that students will still complete their degree in minimum time. The student is responsible for ensuring that credit is sought for any studies undertaken.

STUDY ABROAD PROGRAM**1. Purpose**

Bond University's Study Abroad Program caters for students who wish to spend one or more semesters studying in Australia, as part of a degree program of an overseas college or university.

2. Eligibility

Students will normally have completed their first year of study at their home institution and have achieved a cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) of at least 3.0/4 or equivalent, although exceptions may be made for students whose application includes the strong endorsement of their home institution.

3. Academic Credit

As Bond University is a fully accredited Australian university, all studies undertaken by international students may receive full academic credit in the student's home country, subject to the home institution's credit policy. The student is responsible for ensuring that credit is sought for any studies undertaken.

STUDENT FOR A SEMESTER PROGRAM

1. Purpose

The Student for a Semester (SFAS) Program is administered by the Office of Admissions. It enables year 11 and 12 students to study a subject from a specified list of SFAS subjects concurrently with their school studies.

The SFAS Program increases student awareness and understanding of study at Bond University and better prepares students for the transition from high school to university life and study.

2. Participant Selection

To participate in the SFAS Program, a student must:

- be enrolled in a high school at year 11 or 12 level;
- be in the top 30% of their year level as verified by their school principal or senior teacher, and as demonstrated in their senior school report;
- have written approval by a parent or guardian to participate;
- be able to access and attend the University for scheduled classes; and
- have any special requirements reviewed and approved by the University.

3. Enrolment

A student is permitted to enrol in one subject under this program at the SFAS flat fee as stipulated in the fee schedule and as subject to change. Applicants may apply for a second subject but the awarding of additional subjects is at the discretion of the relevant Executive Dean or Head of UAU, or delegate.

Students may enrol in either the January, May or September semester and may not enrol in more than one subject in any one semester.

4. Cost

Subject fees are set by Bond University and are subject to change in line with other University fee changes.

Applicants approved to undertake a second SFAS subject may be permitted to do so at the SFAS rate or required to pay full tuition cost.

5. Withdrawal

Students may withdraw from a subject at any time in the semester of enrolment prior to the last withdrawal date without academic penalty or financial penalty.

Students who do not follow the approved procedure to withdraw from a subject by the prescribed date will be graded accordingly.

6. Academic Support

Each Bond University Faculty or UAU will nominate an Academic Advisor for this program to support enrolled SFAS students throughout the semester.

A progress review will be undertaken between the SFAS student and the Academic Advisor prior to the last day of withdrawal without penalty.

7. Academic Credit

A University academic transcript will be presented to each participating student. Should the student subsequently enrol as a regular student with the University, credit for the subject taken will be determined in accordance with the Academic Credit Policy.

SFAS students in Queensland will need to include their Learner Unique Identifier (LUI), provided by the Queensland Studies Authority, to Bond University on their application form in order to have their SFAS subject listed on their achievement record.