Bachelor of Laws with Honours

These regulations must be read in conjunction with the Academic Regulations (Taught Courses). These regulations are available by going online to the Open University 'Essential Documents' website at www.open.ac.uk/essential-documents.

Short title
LLB (Honours)

Award letters
LLB (Hons) (Open)

Entry requirements
None (Q05, Q79).

Entry to the graduate entry route (Q75, Q80) requires a first degree or master’s degree awarded by a UK Higher Education Institution or other recognised degree awarding body, or an equivalent qualification from an overseas HEI.

Maximum duration of study
Q05, Q79: 16 years
Q75, Q80 (graduate entry route): 12 years
See additional rules for the time limits for a qualifying LLB.

Credit requirement
Q05, Q79: 360
Q75, Q80 (graduate entry route): 240 (Stage 2 and Stage 3)

Stage 1 (120 credits)
60 credits are from a specified compulsory module at OU Stage 1 and 60 credits are from specified modules at OU Stage 1 or 120 credits are from specified compulsory modules at OU Stage 1

Stage 2 (120 credits)
120 credits are from specified compulsory modules at OU Stage 2

Stage 3 (120 credits)
120 credits are from specified compulsory modules at OU Stage 3 or 90 credits are from specified compulsory modules at OU Stage 3 and 30 credits are from specified core option modules at OU Stage 3

Maximum transferred credit
Q05, Q79: 120 at OU Stage 1
Q75, Q80: zero
Maximum age of credit transfer
16 years

Unique study requirement
Q05, Q79: 120 at Stage 3
Q75, Q80: 90 at Stage 3

Additional rules
To be awarded a qualifying LLB, you must complete the qualification within 6 years (Q05, Q79) or within five years for the graduate entry route (Q05, Q80).
Exceptionally, the Law Programme Committee may allow your previous academic or professional circumstances to exempt you from the compulsory module at OU Stage 1. In such cases you will be required to complete instead 60 credits from other OU undergraduate-level modules.