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As a graduate, you will have a competitive edge by holding both an undergraduate and postgraduate qualification when you enter the workforce, as well as the specialist skills needed to succeed in your professional career.

Benefits of the new JD

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- A broader undergraduate study experience that will enhance your study of law at postgraduate level.
- Additional study notes will be provided upon application.

JD Course details

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Professional pathway

- Undergraduate degree
  - Bachelor’s degree in any discipline
  - Juris Doctor

- Postgraduate degree (5 years)
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Overview

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Combining units in Law and Society with other Majors

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Combine your interests – choose two majors

Use this undergraduate course structure allow you to take two majors within your course. Studying two majors can increase your employability and allow you to choose from a wide range of career paths.

Studying a degree in Arts?

If you are considering a Bachelor of Arts BA, you can choose to increase your knowledge in business by selecting a second major from within the BA. Alternatively, you can select your own field and take a second major from fields within commerce, science or design. Your choice of majors can prepare you for further studies, including a professional postgraduate degree such as the Juris Doctor.

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Magdaen Tye | Arts in Law

Broadening units

An exciting feature of UWA’s new undergraduate courses is the introduction of broadening units.

These are a requirement of all five bachelor’s degrees and will provide you with knowledge beyond the field in which you choose to specialize. You will be required to take four broadening units from outside your degree area, including at least one with a global or cultural focus.

Category A broadening units offered by the Faculty of Law

- Legal Systems

Category B broadening units offered by the Faculty of Law

- Nearly all units offered at a Level 1 undergraduate level can be related to Category B broadening units, giving you hundred of choices.

Further information can be found on the studguide.uwa.edu.au/broadeningunits

Units offered at Level 2 undergraduate level can also count as Category B. However you may need to have completed some pre-requisite units.

At Level 1: at least one.
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Postgraduate degree

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Juris Doctor (JD)

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JD Course details

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