The resources sector is responsible for a significant proportion of economic activity, both in Australia and globally. Through the Law School and the Centre for Mining, Energy and Natural Resources Law, UWA offers globally recognised qualifications in Commercial and Resources Law.

Suited to both legal and non-legal professionals, the Graduate Diploma and Master of Commercial and Resources Law provide graduates with the expertise to pursue careers in commercial and resources sector.

Graduates will attain a strong understanding of regulatory frameworks relevant to the resources sector as well as commercial and corporate issues of concern to industry.

With a wide range of units on offer and flexibility of choice, students of both the Graduate Diploma and the Masters can customise their study to suit their individual interests.

Subjects covered by these comprehensive courses are drawn from a range of areas including oil, gas, mining and energy law, water resources, climate change and environmental law, as well as a number of corporate and commercial topics.

Transform your career

- Gain a qualification which covers two in-demand sub-disciplines of the law, resources and commercial law, from an institution renowned for its expertise in these areas
- Choice of a wide and comprehensive range of subjects which enables you to better match your career objectives with your studies
- Enhance your networks within the commercial and resources sectors by engaging with practitioners and academics within these fields
- Benefit from UWA’s wide ranging and well established connections in the spheres of commerce and resources

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Course structure and study options

The courses consist of either 24 credit points (GradDip) or 48 credit points (Masters). Study can be undertaken either full-time or part-time. Students can commence their studies by enrolling in the GradDip and providing they attain a weighted average mark of at least 60%, articulate into the Masters.

Graduate Diploma of Commercial and Resources Law

Graduate Diploma students elect three of the following 6 point units listed below:

- Australian Oil and Gas Law
- Climate Change Law and Emissions Trading
- Corporate Governance for Resource Companies
- Environmental Protection Law
- International Environmental Law
- International Oil and Gas Law
- Mining Law
- Oil and Gas Agreements
- Oil and Gas Project Development Law
- Water Resources Law

Students also select a unit to the value of 6 points from the Master of Laws (LLM), which include:

- International Commercial Arbitration
- Corporate Finance and Securities Regulation
- Comparative Law
- International Trade Law
- Corporate Finance and Securities Regulation
- Alternative Dispute Resolution
- Insurance Law
- Research Paper

Master of Commercial and Resources Law

Masters students elect six of the listed 6 point Graduate Diploma units and an additional two 6 point units from the Master of Laws (LLM).

Admission requirements (GradDip)

- a Bachelor of Laws of this University or equivalent, as recognised by the Faculty
- a bachelor’s degree in another relevant subject area as determined by the Faculty, and completed to a level of competency considered by the Faculty to be sufficient to permit satisfactory completion of the course; or
- a level and duration of education as well as a minimum of two years of professional experience considered by the Faculty to be sufficient to permit satisfactory completion of the course.

Admission requirements (Masters)

- a Bachelor of Laws of this University or equivalent, as recognised by the Faculty
- completed all the units for the GradDip in Commercial and Resources Law of this University with a weighted average mark of at least 60%; or
- a bachelor’s degree with honours in another subject area requiring at least four years of full-time study, or equivalent as recognised by the Faculty.

Applications

Australian and New Zealand residents can apply for entry to the Masters via: studyat.uwa.edu.au/courses/master-of-commercial-and-resources-law

and the GradDip via: studyat.uwa.edu.au/courses/graduate-diploma-in-commercial-and-resources-law

International students can apply by contacting the International Centre at pginternational@uwa.edu.au

Why a UWA Law qualification?

- UWA is in the top 1% of World Universities, currently ranked 88th in the Academic Ranking of World Universities and the only Western Australian University part of the prestigious Australian Group of Eight.
- UWA is a member of the Worldwide Universities Network of 16 member universities from across four continents and is also a member of the Matariki Network of Universities, a global group of high-quality universities across seven nations.
- The Law School has over 80 years of academic excellence – graduates have built rewarding careers in the legal, government, education, business and the not-for-profit sectors.
- UWA Law alumni have attained success at the highest levels and include a former Prime Minister, Ministers for Foreign Affairs, Trade and Defence, Chief Justices of the High Court and State Supreme Courts, Attorneys-General and Solicitors-General.
- Awards and honours conferred on UWA Law alumni include Australian of the Year, Rhodes Scholarships and the Order of Australia.

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