Emeris

Master of Laws in Integrative Dispute Resolution

Faculty of Law

1 Year Distance Master's | NQF Level 9
180 Credits | SAQA ID: 123586 | MOL0901



→ Online

Qualification Description

This qualification will equip students with advanced professional knowledge and proficiency in the application of techniques utilised in legal disputes resolution. Students will also develop advanced research skills, enabling graduates to interrogate legal dispute issues and creatively contribute towards emerging scholarship in specialised areas of law.

The distance mode of study is ideal for anyone who prefer not to attend full-time lectures but still want to pursue a higher education qualification.

As a distance student you will receive all your support online from a dedicated team of Emeris lecturers.

Who Is This Qualification Aimed At?

This qualification is designed for legal professionals and graduates who seek to deepen their expertise in advanced legal dispute resolution. It is ideal for those who wish to engage with law beyond traditional litigation, adopting therapeutic, transformative, and integrative approaches to legal conflict.

Aimed at individuals with a passion for justice, ethics, and innovation in legal practice, the programme develops critical thinkers and reflective practitioners capable of addressing complex legal disputes both locally and internationally. It is particularly suited to those aspiring to become specialists in procedural or integrative law, and those interested in contributing to cutting-edge legal research or pursuing a Doctoral (NQF Level 10) qualification.

Graduates will be equipped to lead in dynamic legal environments, implement emerging dispute resolution strategies, and influence legal systems with holistic, value-driven solutions.

How Will Emeris Support Your Online Learning as a Distance (Online) Student, and How Will It Help Prepare You for the Working World?

Our distance teaching and learning approach is designed to allow you the freedom to self-govern your learning experiences according to your individual needs. You are at the centre of your own learning journey, and by offering curated engagement opportunities, we partner with you to:

- Engage with subject material
- Build understanding
- Develop critical thinking and problem-solving skills
- Manage your work, life and studies
- Succeed in your personal, professional, and academic goals.

DISTANCE (ONLINE)

Admission Requirements

Minimum Admission Requirements	A Bachelor of Laws (LLB) Degree at NQF level 8	
	A Postgraduate Diploma in Law at HEQSF Level 8	
	International	A foreign LLB Degree with SAQA Certificate of Evaluation indicating that the Degree is equivalent to a Bachelor of Laws, a minimum of 480 credits and at HEQSF Level 8. **OR** If SAQA Certificate shows equivalence to 360 credits degree then at least 4 Law modules must be at NQF level 8 with at least one being a research module. **OR** Foreign Master of Laws (LLM) with SAQA Certificate of Evaluation indicating that the qualification is equivalent to NQF Level 9. If the degree was not completed in English then proof of English Proficiency is required.

Additional Notes	An average of 60% of the prior qualification is required, normally.

Scan the QR Code to learn more about Alternate Admission requirements for:
RPL | Mature Age Exemptions | USAf International Students | One module outstanding from a Higher Certificate

Curriculum Structure

Year 1							
Semester 1				Semester 2			
Code	Module Name	NQF	Credits	Code	Module Name	NQF	Credits
ALRE9511	Alternative Dispute Resolution	9	30	LAEV9512	Evidence and Litigation Techniques	9	30
INGL9511	Integrative Law	9	30	ACCP9512	Advanced Civil and Criminal Procedure	9	30
Year Long							
RMMD9519	Research Methodology and Mini Dissertation					9	60

Career Opportunities

A graduate who exits this qualification having achieved and demonstrated the four exit level outcomes will be highly employable in either the public or private sector in any of the professions listed, although this is not an exhaustive list:

- Policy and Planning Manager
- Policy Analyst
- Company Secretary
- Organisational Risk Manager
- Research and Development Manager
- Legislator
- Attorney
- Judges
- Advocate
- Legal professionals not elsewhere classified
- Faculty Head
- Public prosecutor / state advocate
- Legal advisor / legal consultant
- Judicial official such as magistrate / judge
- Academic – in secondary and tertiary spheres
- Compliance officer
- Mediator

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System and Software Requirements

- Reliable internet connection (we recommend 5-10 GB of data per month and an internet speed of at least 0.15 Mbps)
- Desktop PC or laptop with at least an i3 processor and 4GB RAM memory
- Windows 11 or macOS 10.15 (Microsoft Office 365 is available as a free download for Emeris students), and Google Chrome, Microsoft Edge Chromium or Firefox
- A working webcam and microphone
- An uninterrupted power supply is also highly recommended.

Exams are written at an exam centre and in some instances online. These details will be specified in your Programme Assessment Schedule (PAS).

Graduation and Completion Requirements for This Qualification

In order to be awarded this qualification, you must have achieved a minimum final year mark of fifty percent (50%) for all 5 modules in the curriculum.

As a distance (online) student, this qualification is structured to be completed over 1 year. The maximum time for completing a qualification full-time is double the minimum time associated with the qualification, and for part-time an additional year is allowed.

Where Assessments Are Written in Person

- For students based in South Africa, online students may select any Emeris campus as their Examination Centre.
- An alternative examination centre is only permissible for students studying abroad and those located in a province of South Africa where there is no campus. If there is no campus within reach, an alternative venue will need to be sourced by you. For non-Emeris venues, there is an alternative venue levy per module.

What Are the Benefits of a Distance (Online) Qualification?

The distance (online) delivery mode provides you with the agility of studying towards a tertiary qualification asynchronously, at different times from different locations. Distance students need to commit to approximately 20-25 hours a week for distance engagement (most of which is after hours) with material and assessments to succeed.

Here are some of the benefits you can expect:

- A sequenced online learning environment that allows you the ability to manage your learning experiences flexibly and autonomously.
- A learner guide designed to lead you through the module material and learning outcomes, empowering you to effectively pace your learning in preparation for assessments.
- Our Learning Management System is designed to break up your learning units into manageable sections which include various activities to support learning.
- Module expert online lecturers that facilitate module teaching and learning support through various technology enhanced mediums.
- Student Relations Specialists provide administrative and operational guidance and support throughout your academic journey.
- A professionally registered Student Wellness Manager/Counsellor available for short-term, primary counselling services. Additionally, the Student Wellness Manager/Counsellor hosts various webinars and virtual talks on topics that promote a balanced lifestyle as you pursue your academic goals.

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Apply Online

After your application is submitted, we will review your documentation and provide an outcome regarding your chosen study.

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