



LLM in Corporate Law

The Department of Mercantile and Labour Law in the Faculty of Law has responded to market developments and student needs by increasing its Corporate Law offerings to a full area of specialisation. Various stakeholders such as commercial law practitioners looking for corporate law specialisation, regulators and UWC students and others from various parts of Africa and the world aspiring to pursue postgraduate studies in corporate law, have been yearning for a time when UWC will provide more in the area of Corporate Law. The Faculty has now responded! As from 2023, we will be offering an exciting, rich and brand new LLM specialisation in Corporate Law consisting initially of three modules covering a wide range of issues from corporate governance, corporate finance, financial markets regulation, corporate insolvency and the regulation of mergers and acquisitions. The modules will be taught by experts in the field from the Faculty, international and industry experts/specialists.

A specialised degree in corporate law will better prepare students for a career in corporate and commercial law and enhance employment prospects in commercial law firms and other corporate entities.

This programme will also attract those legal practitioners, legal advisors/in-house legal teams of companies and other persons in corporate leadership and practitioners who specialise in company law generally; in mergers, acquisitions and rearrangements (M&A); corporate finance decision-making; business rescue and corporate capitalisation who may be interested in furthering their studies.

Modules:

- Corporate Governance and Remedies (available in 2023);
- Corporate Financial Regulation (available in 2023);
- Mergers and Acquisitions (available in 2023);
- Corporate Insolvency Law (only available as from 2024).

In 2023 students can complete this LLM/MPhil specialisation by completing two of the above available modules plus a Mini-thesis of 30 000 words. In future it would be possible to complete the LLM/MPhil by completing 4 modules and a research paper of 18 000 words.

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