Build your career as a tax law specialist at UWA

Tax law impacts the outcomes of all business and work activities, distinguish yourself with specialist knowledge in this globally critical field.

From 2016, The University of Western Australia’s Law School will offer a postgraduate Taxation Law program for tax practitioners who wish to establish their career as a tax law specialist.

Available as Graduate Diploma and Masters courses, this advanced program is designed to give tax professionals the expertise necessary to specialise in the complex and varied field of taxation law.

Students will have the option of specialising in either domestic or international tax law and will develop an advanced understanding of the technicalities of tax law in a range of specialist areas. Subjects covered include: international tax, resource tax, advanced capital gains, corporate tax, taxation of trusts and transfer pricing.

The expertise of the Law School also allows for the opportunity to undertake units rarely offered at the tertiary level; such as tax dispute resolution, resource taxation and tax in China.

The program is delivered by internationally recognised and award winning taxation experts from academia and the profession.

A world-class qualification

- UWA is in the top 1% of World Universities, currently ranked 88th in the Academic Ranking of World Universities.
- UWA was ranked equal first overall in Australia based on key measures in the Good Universities Guide 2014.
- UWA’s Law School is Western Australia’s first Law School with over 85 years of academic excellence.
- UWA’s Law School is ranked in the world top 100 Law Schools in the QS ranking of world universities.
Graduate Diploma
The Graduate Diploma of Taxation Law, Advanced Domestic Specialisation comprises of 24 points of learning.

Take units to the value of 24 points:
- Advanced Capital Gains Tax (6 points)
- Transfer Pricing (6 points)
- Taxation of Trusts (6 points)
- Advanced Australian Corporate Taxation (6 points)
- Advanced Australian International Taxation (6 points)
- Goods and Services Taxation (6 points)
- Resource Taxation (6 points)
- Tax Dispute Resolution (6 points)
- Legal Issues for Not-for-Profit Entities (6 points)

On successful completion of the Graduate Diploma of Taxation Law, Advanced Domestic Specialisation students may elect to articulate to the Master of Taxation Law - Advanced Domestic Specialisation.

Master
The Master of Taxation Law, Advanced Domestic Specialisation comprises of 48 points of learning.

Compulsory Units
Take all units (12 points):
- Advanced Australian International Taxation (6 points)
- Tax Dispute Resolution (6 points)

Group A
Take all units (12 points):
- Advanced Capital Gains (6 points)
- Goods and Services Taxation (6 points)

Group B
Take units to the value of 18 points from group B and units to the value of 6 points from group C, OR take units to the value of 24 points from Group B.
- Transfer Pricing (6 points)
- Taxation of Trusts (6 points)
- Advanced Australian Corporate Taxation (6 points)

Group C
Take unit(s) to the value required according to the rule for group B.
- Corporate Governance for Resources Companies (6 points)
- Insurance Law (6 points)
- Australian Financial Transactions Law and Regulation (6 points)
- Double Tax Agreements and International Tax Law (6 points)
- Taxation Law of a Foreign State (6 points)
- Mediation: Practice and Skills (6 points)
- Arbitration: Practice and Skills (6 points)
- Mining Law (6 points)
- Oil and Gas Agreements (6 points)
- Industrial and Intellectual Property I (6 points)
- Research Paper I (6 points)

Focus your studies on taxation law from the Australian perspective.
Advanced International Specialisation

Focus your studies on taxation law from the international perspective.

Graduate Diploma

The Graduate Diploma of Taxation Law, Advanced International Specialisation comprises of 24 points of learning.

Take units to the value of 24 points:

- Double Tax Agreements and International Tax Law (6 points)
- Transfer Pricing (6 points)
- Taxation of Trusts (6 points)
- Taxation Law of a Foreign State (6 points)
- Advanced Australian Corporate Taxation (6 points)
- Advanced Australian International Taxation (6 points)
- Resource Taxation (6 points)
- Tax Dispute Resolution (6 points)
- Legal Issues for Not-for-Profit Entities (6 points)

On successful completion of the Graduate Diploma of Taxation Law - Advanced International Specialisation students may elect to articulate to the Master of Taxation Law - Advanced International Specialisation.

Master

The Master of Taxation Law, Advanced International Specialisation comprises of 48 points of learning.

Compulsory Units

Take all units (12 points):

- Advanced Australian International Taxation (6 points)
- Tax Dispute Resolution (6 points)

Group A

Take all units (12 points):

- Double Tax Agreements and International Tax Law (6 points)
- Taxation Law of a Foreign State (6 points)

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Take units to the value of 18 points from group B and units to the value of 6 points from group C, OR take units to the value of 24 points from Group B.

- Transfer Pricing (6 points)
- Taxation of Trusts (6 points)
- Advanced Australian Corporate Taxation (6 points)
- Resource Taxation (6 points)
- Legal Issues for Not-for-Profit Entities (6 points)

Group C

Take unit(s) to the value required according to the rule for group B.

- International Commercial Law (6 points)
- Working with China: Business in a Socio-legal Context (6 points)
- Intellectual Property and China’s Innovation-based Economy (6 points)
- China-Australia Relations: Trade, Finance and Law (6 points)
- Foundations of Public International Law (6 points)
- Advanced Capital Gains Tax (6 points)
- Goods and Services Taxation (6 points)
- Foundations of International Commercial Law (6 points)
- International Trade Financing (6 points)
- International Oil and Gas Law (6 points)
- International Commercial Arbitration (6 points)
- Research Paper I (6 points)
Entry Requirements

Graduate Diploma

To be eligible for admission, you must meet the following requirements:

- a bachelor’s degree, or an equivalent qualification, as recognised by UWA, in a cognate area, which includes an element in Taxation Law; OR
- a bachelor’s degree, or an equivalent qualification, as recognised by UWA, in a cognate area, AND a minimum of 6 months relevant professional experience; OR
- a bachelor’s degree, or an equivalent qualification, as recognised by UWA, AND completed LAWS5132 Tax Law offered by this university or equivalent as recognized by the Faculty; OR
- a level and duration of education as well as a minimum of two years of professional experience considered by the University to be sufficient to permit satisfactory completion of the course.

Master

To be eligible for admission, you must meet the following requirements:

- a bachelor’s degree, or an equivalent qualification, as recognised by UWA, in a cognate area, which includes an element in Taxation Law AND obtained a score that is equivalent to UWA weighted average mark of at least 60 per cent; OR
- a bachelor’s degree, or an equivalent qualification, as recognised by UWA, in a cognate area, AND obtained a score that is equivalent to UWA weighted average mark of at least 60 per cent, AND a minimum of 6 months relevant professional experience.; OR
- a bachelor’s degree, or an equivalent qualification, as recognised by UWA, AND obtained a score that is equivalent to UWA weighted average mark of at least 60 per cent, AND completed LAWS5132 Tax Law offered by this university or equivalent as recognized by the Faculty; OR
- completion of units comprising the Graduate Diploma in Taxation Law which corresponds to the appropriate specialisation.

How to apply

Australian and New Zealand residents can apply for entry for the Graduate Diploma at: studyat.uwa.edu.au/gd/tax-law

Master at: studyat.uwa.edu.au/m/tax-law

International students can apply by contacting the International Centre:

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