

UTS:Law

Apply to Undertake a Law Postgraduate Research Degree

The Faculty of Law operates a pre-assessment process prior to your formal application which you will make centrally.

Pre-assessment allows us to advise on:

- eligibility requirements;
- supervision capacity; and
- viability of your research topic.

This process will make your central application easier.

You can also contact a potential supervisor to refine your proposal and develop a relationship. If you are admitted this will set you off to a good start.

We recommend you begin the pre-assessment process well ahead of [closing dates for central UTS online lodgement of applications](#). Pre-assessment may take a few weeks depending on the information and readiness of your research proposal.

Please review the following before you begin:

- What is your proposed topic and question
- Is your topic aligned with the [research strengths and priorities](#) of the faculty?
- Is there is an expert in your field available to supervise?
- Will you meet the admission criteria for the [PhD](#) or [LLM by Research](#)
- Do you understand the [assessment criteria](#) used to evaluate your application?

When you are ready to begin email the [research team](#) with:

1. Undergraduate and postgraduate transcripts (in English), include results for each year and each semester
2. Your resume
3. A brief outline of your proposed topic (*100-500 words only)
4. A brief cover letter explaining why you wish to study at UTS

The Faculty Research Officer will respond within 2-3 weeks.

Questions? Contact: Law.Research@uts.edu.au

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Instigate the UTS Law pre-application process by sending us your documentation

2

Work with UTS Law to develop your proposal

3

Lodge your application using the UTS Online Application System

UTS Faculty of Law

Postgraduate Research Degree Pre-application Process

SEND US YOUR INFO

We need:

- Academic transcripts
- Resume
- Brief proposed research topic outline
- A Cover Letter



WE REVIEW YOUR INFO

The Faculty examines your documents for eligibility and supervision capacity



WE NOTIFY YOU

The Faculty will advise one of the following:

- to provide a full research proposal;
- or
- we decline the proposal

YOU WORK ON YOUR PROPOSAL

You develop a full research proposal for your thesis



WE HELP YOU DEVELOP YOUR PROPOSAL

A prospective supervisor provides feedback on how to strengthen your research proposal

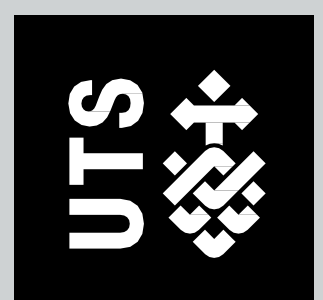


WE ADVISE MAKING A CENTRAL APPLICATION

When your proposal is ready, we advise you to make a central application via the UTS Online Application System

The pre-application process takes several weeks depending on your topic, so make sure you initiate the process 2-3 months before central deadlines.

If you have any questions contact us at Law.Research@uts.edu.au



Research Degree Application: Resume Template

Personal Details

- Name
- Date of Birth
- Citizenship
- Current Residence
- Contact Details

Education

Course /Degree Name	Educational Institution	Start date (Month/Year)	End date (Month/Year)	Course Grade – please indicate as a percentage	Duration of research component, if applicable; ie. 6 months

Other Qualifications

Education or Training program	Institution name	Details of the education or training	Start date (Month/Year)	End date (Month/Year)

Employment

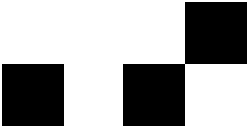
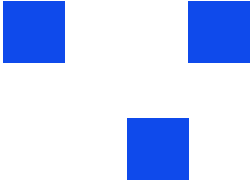
Start with the most recent and work backwards

Position Name	
Employer name / Place of work	
Start date (Month/Year)	
Brief role and responsibilities	

Research Publications

List below published, accepted and submitted Peer reviewed Journal Articles, Books (edited or authored books), Book Chapters, Consultancy reports or major review or any other publications. You may also include non-peer reviewed articles as evidence of your research and writing work.

Publication type (Book, book chapter, journal articles, reports, etc)	Author/s	Publication Year	Publication Title	Journal / Book title	Provide links



Conferences



Presentation type (eg. keynote speaker, invited speaker, oral, poster, panel or other)	Author/s	Presentation Title	Conference Name	Conference Details: Place Date/Month/Year	Provide links if any

Previous Awards

Please provide awards details received including financial awards (such as scholarships or travel grants) or non-financial awards (such as a certificate for best paper, a medal for research breakthrough).

Award Name	Place Date/Month/Year

Research Experience and Research Capability

Please provide details (i.e. roles, duration and outputs) about your capacity and capability for research intensive work. For example, if you have:

- Engaged with research and/or collaborative projects in addition your Honours or Masters degree, and/or have editorial contributions to scholarly journals or publications
- Served on research-related committees or panels
- Participated in formulating or assessing funded research proposals
- Authored a consultancy report or major review
- Been awarded National or international competitive prizes/awards
- Evidence of drawing on knowledge from a range of sources and applying it to professional practice

Research Degree Application: Assessment Criteria

The Faculty of Law considers four equally weighted criteria when considering the research potential of an applicant:

1. Academic record
2. Research output
3. Professional experience – strength and relevance to the candidates opportunities
4. Research proposal

Academic Achievements

Academic achievements will be assessed on

- i. Degrees completed
- ii. Grade achieved
- iii. Any research component involved in

Research Output

Research outputs can include the following:

- Peer reviewed academic journal articles;
- Research reports;
- Contributions to industry publications;
- Conference papers
- Seminar presentations;
- Conferences presentations;
- Digital media publications, etc.

You may be asked to provide copies of publications as part of the pre-assessment process.

Professional Experience

Professional experience is about the demonstrated impact of an applicant's work to date as well as the role of research and independent writing in their professional life. The term 'professional experience' should be interpreted broadly, for example it may include both paid employment and volunteer roles.

Applicants should give details of their professional experience in their CV and make a case for its strength and relevance.