

Course progression map for 2024 commencing students

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M5031 Graduate Diploma of Forensic and Legal Studies

Part-time (full-time study is not available for this course)

Year 1 Semester 1	Choose one of the following units*: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> LAW5000 Australian legal reasoning and methods LAW5081 Australian legal process and research 	Part C unit** 6cp
Year 1 Semester 2	Part C unit** 6cp	Part C unit** 6cp
Year 2 Semester 1	Choose one of the following units: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> FOR4001 Medical Evidence FOR4003 Ethics, Medicine and the Law FOR4004 Elements of the Forensic Sciences 	Part D unit** 6cp
Year 2 Semester 2	Part D unit** 6cp	Part D unit** 6cp

*Students with a law degree from a non-Australian jurisdiction must complete LAW5081.

** Refer to the relevant list on the following page.

Part A	Introductory legal knowledge
Part B	Introductory forensics knowledge
Part C	Extending specialist legal knowledge
Part D	Extending specialist forensics knowledge

IMPORTANT NOTES:

- You may need to vary the order in which you complete the units shown above depending on your elective choice.
- Not all units are offered according to standard semester teaching periods. You need to check which teaching period/s a unit is offered in via the handbook entry prior to enrolling to avoid potential timetable clashes.
<https://handbook.monash.edu/>
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All units shown are 6 credit points

Part A: Introductory legal knowledge

You must complete 6 credit points from the units listed below*:

- LAW5000 Australian legal reasoning and methods
- LAW5081 Australian legal process and research**

*Students entering with an Australian professionally accredited law degree can apply for an exemption from this requirement and instead complete an additional 6 credit points from any of the units listed in Part C or Part D.

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Part B: Introductory forensics knowledge

You must complete 6 credit points from the units listed below:

- FOR4001 Medical Evidence
- FOR4003 Ethics, medicine and the law
- FOR4004 Elements of forensic science

Part C: Extending specialist legal knowledge

You must complete 18 credit points from the units below:

- LAW5430 Advanced evidence and proof in litigation
- LAW5618 Comparative cybercrime
- LAW5335 Contemporary problems in the administration of criminal justice
- LAW5356 Corporate and white collar crime
- LAW5353 Cybercrime
- LAW5469 Family violence, gender and law
- LAW5457 Forensic evidence: Law, science, medicine and technology
- LAW5303 Forensic family law
- LAW5428 Health law
- LAW5424 Human trafficking, modern slavery and the law
- LAW5354 International criminal justice
- LAW5600 Issues in medical ethics and law
- LAW5334 Psychiatry, psychology and law
- LAW5310 Sentencing

Part D: Extending specialist forensics knowledge

You must complete 18 credit points from the units below:

- FOR4001 Medical evidence
- FOR4003 Ethics, medicine and the law
- FOR4004 Elements of forensic science
- FOR5007 Elements of forensic toxicology
- FOR5018 Elements of forensic anthropology
- FOR5022 Advanced Methods in Forensic Science
- FOR5023 Quality management in the forensic sciences
- FOR5025 Forensic pharmacology

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