Doctor of Laws

1. **Enrolment application:**
   A candidate’s enrolment application must —
   (a) be in writing;
   (b) be addressed to the executive dean; and
   (c) include —
      (i) copies of the candidate’s curriculum vitae, academic record and relevant documents; and
      (ii) a list of all published works; and
      (iii) an overview of the material to be submitted for the degree; and
      (iv) a statement of how the material to be submitted —
         (A) constitutes a coherent theme; and
         (B) contributes to the advancement of knowledge in law; and
      (v) a statement indicating any publications to be submitted for the degree that have been submitted for any other award and the awards for which they were submitted.

2. **Enrolment requirements:**
   A person may be admitted as a candidate for the degree if the executive dean so decides and the person holds —
   (a) an LLB or JD of this University of not less than 7 years standing; or
   (b) a master of laws of this University of not less than 4 years standing; or
   (c) a PhD of this University (being a doctorate in a branch of legal knowledge); or
   (d) (i) an LLB of another tertiary institution of not less than 7 years standing; or
      (ii) a master of laws of another tertiary institution of not less than 4 years standing; or
      (iii) a PhD from another tertiary institution approved by the executive dean; and has carried out or intends to carry out a substantial part of the work associated with candidature for the degree at this University or otherwise has, in the opinion of the executive dean, a sufficient connection with this University.

3. **Committee:**
   The executive dean may appoint a standing committee of eminent and qualified persons to advise on the following matters —
   (a) admission; and
   (b) nomination of examiners; and
   (c) recommendations on the award.

4. **Duration:**
   A candidate must be enrolled for 12 months before submitting material for examination.
5. **Submission of material for examination:**

5.1 The executive dean may reject a submission of material for examination without reference to the examiners if the executive dean decides that the submission does not provide evidence of the candidate’s qualifications for the award.

5.2 The material submitted for examination must constitute original, scholarly and substantial contributions to the advancement of knowledge of the law and must include a list of relevant publications.

5.3 The candidate must submit a signed statement indicating —

- (a) any part of the material that is not original work and confirming the originality of the rest; and
- (b) any part of the material that has been submitted for another award; and
- (c) that the candidate is the sole author of a substantial part of the material; and
- (d) in the case of joint authorship, the extent of the candidate’s own contribution.

5.4 The candidate must present 4 copies of the material submitted for examination to the executive dean.

5.5 The material must be submitted complete, in a suitable form having regard to its content, and must include —

- (a) a title defining the field; and
- (b) an abstract of up to 700 words; and
- (c) an indexed list of contents; and
- (d) the signed statement under rule 5.3.

6. **Examination of material:**

6.1 The executive dean must appoint 2 examiners external to the University to report on the material submitted for examination.

6.2 Each examiner must report to the executive dean whether in the examiner’s opinion the material —

- (a) represents an important and substantial contribution to the field of knowledge to which it relates; and
- (b) qualifies the candidate to be recognised as an outstanding authority in that field; and
- (c) is of sufficient merit for the award of the degree.

6.3 After considering the examiners’ reports, the executive dean may recommend that senate award the degree.