



Maharashtra National Law University, Nagpur

(Established by Maharashtra Act No. VI of 2014)



About the University

Maharashtra National Law University, Nagpur (MNLU, Nagpur) was established by the Government of Maharashtra by way of enactment known as the Maharashtra National Law University Act (Maharashtra Act No. VI of 2014). Hon'ble Shri Justice Bhushan R. Gavai, Judge, Supreme Court of India, is the Chancellor of the University. It is a residential University engaged in teaching and promoting research in law and allied disciplines. The University is making all possible efforts to bring up state-of-the-art facilities. The University has a competent team of faculty and staff, who are qualified, experienced, committed, and full of zeal to create an institution of excellence in legal education in the country. The University been recognised by the University Grants Commission (UGC), the University received necessary affiliation from the Bar Council of India (BCI), and it is also a member of Association of Indian Universities (AIU). The objectives of the University are manifold: to advance and disseminate learning and knowledge of law and legal processes and their role in national development; to develop sense of responsibility within the students and research scholars; to serve society in the field of law by developing skills in regard to advocacy, legal services, legislation, law reforms and the likes; to organize lectures, seminars, symposia, conferences and capacity building programmes; to promote legal knowledge and to make law and legal processes efficient instruments of social justice and development; to promote traditional, cultural, legal and ethical values with a view to promote and foster the rule of law and the objectives enshrined in the Constitution of India; and to liaison with institutions of higher learning and research in India and abroad.



Prof. (Dr.) Vijender Kumar
Vice-Chancellor



Dr. Ashish Dixit
Registrar

The University has established thirty-one centres for advanced legal studies and research to address the socio-legal issues and challenges, and to conduct cutting-edge research on thriving issues of law, social science, humanities, and management. Further, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Department of Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade, Government of India has set up an Intellectual Property Rights Chair at the University to encourage the study and research on Intellectual Property Rights as well as to promote outreach programmes on IPR in the region. The University has inked Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with prominent law universities of the country for the purpose of academic collaboration to facilitate student and faculty exchange programme between the universities. Furthermore, the University has initiated a process of academic collaborations with top foreign universities of knowledge excellence and soon MoUs would be signed to take these collaborations further. In addition to this, active efforts are being made to develop joint training and research programmes that will be pursued in a collaborative spirit. The University has taken various steps towards welfare of the students by providing in campus Health and Wellness Centre with male and female doctor/s, career counsellor, psychologists, personality development trainers, and medical insurance. The students are expected to be sensitive towards the surroundings in their behaviour, attire, and manners. University strictly prohibits actions such as ragging, sexual harassment, etc., and views these actions as serious issues for disciplinary proceedings.

Academic Block



Infrastructure of the University

The campus of the University is an outcome of a national-level 'Limited Architectural Design Competition' held in 2017. The fully residential campus on 60 acres of land provided by the Government of Maharashtra at Waranga, Nagpur being constructed in three phases and will eventually accommodate 2,500 students and 100 faculty members. The phase – I construction consisting of academic building, hostels, amenities centre, administrative wing residential quarters etc. will be completed by July 2022. The academic building with an area of 11,000 square meter consists of four blocks: three on ground having 42 lecture theatres, two studios for distance and virtual education; one block at lower ground level having two 200-seater conference halls and two 100-seater Seminar halls. The Academic building is flanked by a man-made lake of approximate five-acre area on North, Terrace landscape on East and library and moot court on the West. The terraces on East can be used for outdoor teaching. The Academic building also hosts a 300-seating capacity amphitheatre with a lake as backdrop and is meant to be used for interactive programs. The walls have PIR insulation providing a difference of 6-8° C between the internal and external temperature.



The University Library

The Library is designed to accommodate approximately 800 students at a time with different sections for archives, e-library, braille section, loud reading, group reading, carrel desks isolated sections for mooters, isolated sections for Ph.D. scholars, AV studios, and many more. Metaphorically designed as “Tree of Knowledge”. It also hosts the Moot Court hall with seating capacity of 200, along with teacher’s lounge and students’ Bar Council room. This building also connects the Administrative building to Academic building via a foot-over bridge and forms the Academic-Admin-Library complex.



The University has developed its library within a short span of time. The University has received donations from various legal luminaries and institutions for the development of the library. The University has subscribed to various online Databases such as Heinonline, Westlaw, LexisNexis, SCC Online, Taxmann, Kluwer Arbitration, Kluwer Competition Law, JSTOR, Manupatra, LegitQuest, AIR online, EBC Reader, EPW, Live Law, Corporate Law Advisor (CLA) and hard copies of AIR from 1961 to till date, Supreme Court Cases from 1969 to till date, complete set of the Journal of Indian Law Institute from 1960 till date, Annual Survey of Indian Law from 1965 to till date, and Taxation Reports from 1956 to 2016.



University Activities

In addition to regular classes, the students are encouraged to participate in moot court competitions, seminars, webinars, conferences, workshops, debates etc. All Saturdays are earmarked for value addition lectures, interactive sessions, and panel discussions by domain experts from different areas of law, social sciences, humanities, and management. Such interactions add a well-rounded perspective to the students' learning about law and allied subjects. The students are involved in various committees such as Publication Committee, Hostels and Hospitality Committee, Academic Committee, Literary and Debate Committee, Cultural Committee, Sports Committee, Internship Coordination Committee, Information Technology Committee, Moot Court Committee, Legal Aid Committee, and Student Welfare Committee that help in conduct and execution of routine, academic, and non-academic activities of the students. Such activities develop a sense of accountability, responsibility, and organisational skills among the students which lead to honing their leadership qualities and developing team work culture.

The University promotes and sponsors various co-curricular and extracurricular activities for the students. The students have represented the University in Moot Court Competitions organised by prominent national and international institute of legal education. Students are also encouraged to participate in Debate Competitions organised by National Law Universities and other institutions. The University organises various internal competitions and academic activities such as Client Counselling Competition, Internal Moot-Court Competition, Parliamentary debates, etc. to help the students to acquire lawyering skills and imbibe professional ethics. The ADR Society of the University in association with AIR Law Academy and Research Centre, Nagpur and Forum of South Asian Clinical Law Teachers organised Louis M. Brown and Forrest S. Mosten International Client Consultation Competition, 2019. Teams from NALSAR University of Law, Hyderabad and Army Institute of Law, Mohali competed in the Finals and NALSAR University of Law, Hyderabad was declared as the Winner of the Competition, who represented India in the International Rounds at Law Society of Ireland, Dublin.

The University inaugurated its fully functional academic building on April 14, 2021 by the august hands of former Chief Justice of India and founder Chancellor of the University, Hon'ble Justice Shri Sharad A. Bobde; Hon'ble Chief Minister Shri Uddhav Balasaheb Thackeray; Hon'ble Union Minister Shri Nitin Jairam Gadkari, Hon'ble Shri Justice Bhushan R. Gavai, Judge, Supreme Court of India; Hon'ble Shri Justice Dipankar Dutta, Chief Justice, High Court of Bombay; Hon'ble Energy Minister and Guardian Minister of Nagpur District, Dr. Nitin K. Raut; Hon'ble Higher and Technical Education Minister, Shri Uday Samant; Hon'ble Leader of Opposition in State Assembly, Shri Devendar Fadnavis; Hon'ble Shri Justice Sunil B. Shukre, Administrative Judge, High Court of Bombay, Bench at Nagpur; and Vice-Chancellor of the University, Prof. (Dr.) Vijender Kumar, and others.





A Quick Response to COVID 19 Pandemic

The physical functioning of the University was impacted by the COVID-19 Pandemic. The University is one of the first institutions to take precautionary measures to safeguard its faculties, staff, and students during the spread of deadly coronavirus COVID 19. The remote access of online library resource was also made available to all the students, research scholars and faculties to continue their research work. Further, the University adopted a Contingency Examination Policy for evaluation following the guidelines of MHRD, UGC, and BCI.

Academic Activities of the University

The University has successfully organised a series of lectures of eminent personalities in the field of law and allied subjects; in addition, two endowment memorial lecture series instituted at the University in the memory of late Shri G.L. Sanghi, Former Senior Advocate, Supreme Court of India and late Shri Justice S.M. Daud, Former Judge, Bombay High Court respectively. The University has conducted three lectures under G.L. Sanghi memorial lecture series in the year 2017, 2018 and 2019 by Hon'ble Shri. Justice S.A. Bobde, Judge, Supreme Court of India (Former Chief Justice of India); Hon'ble Shri. Justice A.K. Sikri, Former Judge, Supreme Court of India and Hon'ble Shri. Justice L. Nageswara Rao, Judge, Supreme Court of India. Similarly, the University also organised two lectures under Justice S.M. Daud memorial lecture in the year 2017 and 2018 wherein the lectures were delivered by Hon'ble Shri Justice V.S. Sirpurkar, Former Judge, Supreme Court of India and Hon'ble Smt. Justice Ruma Pal, Former Judge, Supreme Court of India respectively. The University in association with World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO), Geneva and RGNIPM, Nagpur organised 'WIPO India Summer School' on Intellectual Property and the role of WIPO during the months of November 2017, July 2018, June 2019 at Nagpur and February 2021 through online.

During this pandemic the University had also organized three Faculty Development Programmes in 2021 under the DPIIT, and IPR Chair. The University has also signed an MoU with Commissioner of Police, Nagpur City for the purpose of Research Collaboration to study the increasing trend of violent crimes and suggest measures for its prevention after scientific understanding of causal factors. In collaboration with Maharashtra State Biodiversity Board, the University organized "International Seminar on Implementation of Access and Benefit Sharing: Sustaining Indian Biodiversity" in virtual mode to develop the jurisprudence of ABS mechanism in India by critically examining existing knowledge on biodiversity and its conservation.

University was keen on keeping to its commitment towards research along with the academic activities. In furtherance to upholding academic activities, the University is successfully running its UGC CARE listed peer-reviewed and flagship bi-annual journal, Contemporary Law Review (CLR). The last issue of CLR (Vol. 4 No. I, 2020) was released by Hon'ble Shri Justice B.R. Gavai, Chancellor and Judge, Supreme Court of India in the august presence of the Hon'ble Members of the Executive Council of the University on December 19, 2020.



Presently, the University offers B.A.LL.B. (Hons.) Five-Year Integrated Degree Course, B.A.LL.B. (Honours in Adjudication and Justicing) Five-Year Integrated Degree Course, B.B.A.LL.B. Five-Year Integrated Degree Course, One-Year LL.M. (Postgraduate Degree) Course besides offering Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) Programme. The University is committed to achieving excellence in the field of legal and justice education by promoting innovative research in the field of law, social sciences, and humanities. Doctoral programme is an integrated programme wherein scholars from different streams are eligible for admission, provided their research interfaces with public policy and law.

Undergraduate Degree Programmes

B.A.LL.B. (Honours) Five-Year Integrated Degree Course

The academic curriculum of the University is designed as per the University Grants Commission's (UGC) Curriculum Development Committee Report (CDCR) wherein the recommendations of the CDCR and the Bar Council of India (BCI) have been considered as the basic parameters to bring it in consonance with trends of globalization, pluralism, and social integration. Clinical legal education and moot court exercise are integral components of the academic curriculum of the University through which students understand how to appreciate practical socio-economic and legal issues and help the society at large. The course curriculum promotes interdisciplinary approach with integration between law and social sciences or humanities.

The University follows a semester system with six working days in a week, a minimum of 90 working days in a semester; and 180 days in an academic year in addition to the days of examinations. The University introduced Choice-Based Credit System (CBCS) for the Undergraduate Degree courses. The students are required to earn a total of 220 credits spread out through the course of five years; however, the students shall be allowed to earn extra credits from the courses offered by the external experts from time to time. The academic performance of the students on continuation basis is evaluated on a 10 (ten) point scale with corresponding grade values.

Eligibility for Admission

The eligibility is as per the Common Law Admission Test conducted by the Consortium of National Law Universities of India, for details visit Website of the Consortium.

Intake and Reservation: Total = 120 Seats

Category	Percentage	No of Seats
Scheduled Castes of Maharashtra	13	16
Scheduled Tribes of Maharashtra	07	08
De-notified Tribes (A) of Maharashtra	03	04
Nomadic Tribes (B) of Maharashtra	2.5	03
Nomadic Tribes (C) of Maharashtra	3.5	04
Nomadic Tribes (D) of Maharashtra	02	02
Special Backward Class of Maharashtra	02	02
Other Backward Classes (OBC) of Maharashtra	19	23
Economically Weaker Sections (EWS) of Maharashtra	10	12
Unreserved Seats	--	46
Total Seats		120

Note 1: The above table is being prepared based on the Section 6(1) of the Maharashtra National Law University Act 2014; Section 4(2) of the Maharashtra State Public Services (Reservation for Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, De-notified Tribes (Vimukta Jatis), Nomadic Tribes, Special Backward Class and Other Backward Classes) Act 2001; and Economically Weaker Sections (EWS).

Note 2: The University reserves 5% of its intake towards Specially Abled Person (SAP) – (with benchmark disabilities).

B.A.LL.B. (Honours in Adjudication and Justicing) Five-Year Integrated Degree Course

In furtherance of the vision of the founder Chancellor of the University, Hon'ble Shri Justice S. A. Bobde, the Former Chief Justice of India to enhance justice education, the University has launched in 2020 B.A.LL.B. (Honours in Adjudication and Justicing); a first-of-its-kind course in the country. The course aims to impart intensive and exhaustive practical training, and equip students for entry level of Judiciary. Regular Internships, Judicial Clerkship, and Six months of Apprenticeship under the guardianship of High Court Justices and District Judges make it a fully practical course. The Curriculum focuses on pluralism, social integration, and socio-cultural structure of the State. The course is designed to produce well rounded judicial officers of the very best capabilities ready to decide cases of any kind anywhere, and who would be given practical training in the art of judging actual cases being heard by a court. It is a Five-Year Integrated Degree Course of Ten Semesters, the last Semester being reserved for Judicial Apprenticeship.

Eligibility for Admission

The candidates fulfilling the following criteria are eligible to apply:

- Candidates must have appeared in the CLAT of the academic year of admission;
- Candidates must have completed Higher Secondary Education i.e., 10+2 or an equivalent examination with forty-five percent (45%) or its equivalent grade in case of candidates belonging to Unreserved / OBC / PWD categories and forty percent (40%) marks or its equivalent grade in case of candidates belonging to Reserved Categories;
- Candidate should be an Indian Citizen; and
- The age of the candidate shall not be above 20 (twenty) years on the date of application.

Admission Process:

The University takes CLAT Score only for the purpose of shortlisting the candidates. Interested are required to apply separately and the following process shall be followed:

- a) CLAT Score based Shortlisting; b) Group Discussion; c) Psychometric Test; and
d) Personal Interview.

Intake and Reservation: Total = 60 Seats

Category	Percentage	No of Seats
Scheduled Castes of Maharashtra	13	8
Scheduled Tribes of Maharashtra	07	04
De-notified Tribes (A) of Maharashtra	03	02
Nomadic Tribes (B) of Maharashtra	2.5	02
Nomadic Tribes (C) of Maharashtra	3.5	02
Nomadic Tribes (D) of Maharashtra	02	01
Special Backward Class of Maharashtra	02	01
Other Backward Classes (OBC) of Maharashtra	19	11
Economically Weaker Sections (EWS) of Maharashtra	10	06
Unreserved Seats	--	23
Total Seats		60

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B.B.A.LL.B. (Honours) Five-Years Integrated Degree Course

This course aims to create talented and proficient law graduates with potential lawyering skills to meet the needs of modern legal system in national and global sustainable development. This programme enables the young aspirants to acquire legal education in an insightful manner to cope with the contemporary expansion in the corporate world with strong basics, comprehensive legal acquaintance, and set of lawyering skills to plead for justice and legal causes. Along with the law courses, the students will also be groomed in the management subjects such as Principles of Management, Financial Management, Marketing, Accounting, and Human Resource Management to meet the development requirements of the nation. The programme is intended to improve the independent critical thinking of the legal aspirants with research competences and to ensure that the students are groomed to be capable of promoting the role of lawyers in Globalizing World.

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Postgraduate Degree Programme**One-Year Postgraduate Degree Course (LL.M.)**

The University offers One-Year Postgraduate Degree Course (LL.M.). The eligible candidates shall be admitted to the course and thereafter students shall be asked to choose their specialisations. At present the University offers the following specialisations, viz., (1) Corporate and Commercial Laws; (2) Intellectual Property Laws; (3) Constitutional Law; (4) Personal Laws; (5) Energy and Telecommunication Laws and (6) Criminal Law and Forensic Science. Further, fifteen (15) Seats are earmarked for LL.M. (General).

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Note:

1. The fee structure of the above-mentioned undergraduate and postgraduate degree programmes will be published in the University website; and
2. The University reserves the right to amend the intake and duration of courses from time to time for both undergraduate and postgraduate programmes. For Course Curriculum, Fee Structure, Examination Regulations and other details of the University, please visit the University website www.nlunagpur.ac.in

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