

PROSPECTUS 2018-19



NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY ODISHA

BACHELOR OF VOCATION DEGREE PROGRAMME IN ACCESS TO JUSTICE (B.Voc)

ABOUT NLUO

National Law University Odisha (NLU Odisha) was established in the year 2008 by the Government of Odisha under Act IV of 2008. The University is located in the millennium city of Cuttack which has great historical relevance to Odisha and India.

The University offers Five Year Integrated Programmes of B.A.LL.B (Honours), B.B.A.LL.B (Honours), LL.M. and Ph.D. Programmes. The University has set up Community College under the UGC Scheme to prepare Barefoot lawyers to strengthen the justice delivery system in India. The objective of the University is to create humane lawyers with professionalism, integrity, social commitment and who can use legal research for social action.

INTRODUCTION

NLUO is committed to implement its social justice mission. The UGC had

launched the Community College scheme on 27 February, 2014 for skills development based higher education as part of college/university education, leading to Bachelor of Vocation (B.Voc.) degree with multiple entry and exit points. Aimed at holistic development of the students, the B. Voc programme is a blend of knowledge-based and skill-based education. Any student with 10 +2 pass in any stream can join the programme.

OBJECTIVES OF THE B. VOC PROGRAMME

- To provide judicious mix of skills relating to legal and related profession.
- To ensure adequate legal knowledge and skills
- To students be work-ready at each exit point of the programme.
- To integrate skill components to enhance employability of the graduates.

The experience gained during this period was an eye opener on the extent, reach and interest of community-based paralegals emerging from villages. This year, with the approval of UGC, NLU Odisha is offering *three-year Bachelor of Vocation (B. Voc) in Access to Justice Programme*. The programme will focus on two primary areas – Criminal Justice and Child Rights. This is an attempt to develop proactive role in educating the public about law and formulate legal empowerment using legal services and paralegal education. The course will also make an attempt to contribute to bring the law closer to people and to reach out to communities. It will make efforts to strengthen legal aid and institutionalising paralegal education.

WHO IS PARALEGAL?

A paralegal is a person who has some education in law, is trained in legal matters but he is not qualified to be a lawyer. Paralegals can be employed by a

lawyer, law firms, government agencies and NGOs to perform tasks involving knowledge of law and legal procedures.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

The current employment scenario offers employment opportunities for paralegals in the areas including Court related work, criminal law, law firms, NGOs etc. Moreover, they are eligible to set up this own business offering services to lawyers, law firms, government institutions, NGOs etc.

CURRICULUM AND PEDAGOGY

The programme structure has been designed in a gradual progression for each year (Diploma, Advanced Diploma and Degree Programme), with a combination of General Components and Skill Components.

The programme will be essentially credit-based modular courses, with all courses

taught with 25 percent classroom teaching and 75 percent of field-based or skill-based learning. Each Year shall be divided into two semesters, comprising of three general courses, three skilled courses and one compulsory internship in each semester.

PROGRAMME STRUCTURE

COURSE TYPE	FIRST YEAR	
	SEMESTER I	SEMESTER II
General (CORE)	Law and Society	Basics of Indian Constitution
General (CORE)	Law and Governance	Access to justice – I (Criminal Justice)
General (CORE)	Language and communication skills – I	Rural governance (Local Self Governance)
Skill	Introduction to Computers and Office Management	Land Laws
Skill	Legal Writing – I	Child Rights Law
Skill	Legal Awareness	Financial Literacy
Internship	Rural practicum – I (Village Internship)	Rural practicum – II (Village Internship)

COURSE TYPE	SECOND YEAR	
	SEMESTER III	SEMESTER IV
General (CORE)	Consumer Law	Women and Law
General (CORE)	Forest and Tribal Laws	Law and Social Inclusion
General (CORE)	Language and Communication skills – II	Property law
Skill	Access to Justice - II (Civil Litigation)	Access to Justice – III (ADR and Community Mediation)
SKILL	Legal Writing – II	Community and Citizen Participation
SKILL	Juvenile Justice	Child labour and RTE
INTERNSHIP	Internship - III DLSA, SLSA, JJBS, Child Care Homes	Internship – IV visit to Courts, Tribunals, Lok Adalats And Nyaya Panchayats

COURSE TYPE	THIRD YEAR	
	SEMESTER V	SEMESTER VI
General (CORE)	Basics Of Labour Law	Entrepreneurship
General (CORE)	Criminal Justice System – Police And Prisons	Access to Justice – IV (Legal Aid and PIL)
General (CORE)	Child Trafficking And Sexual Abuse	Legal Research
Skill	Communication Skills – III	Legal Incubation Centre (Internship)
Skill	RTI	The students will work in the sector of their choice, Criminal Justice Advocacy or Child Rights Advocacy. Accordingly, they will be associated with relevant NGOs, Law Offices or Court Offices where they can gain practical knowledge and skills to enhance their employability chances.
Skill	Legal Counselling And Writing	
Internship	Internship – V Visit To Police Stations & Prisons	

ADMISSION INFORMATION

DURATION OF COURSE: 3 years

MEDIUM OF INSTRUCTION:
Odiya/Hindi/English

ELIGIBILITY: 10+2 Examination or Equivalent thereto.

INTAKE: 50 (Fifty)

AGE: No upper age limit

FEE STRUCTURE:Rs 25,000 Per Year

APPLICATION FEE- Rs 1000/- only

(In the form of Demand Draft drawn in favour of "The Registrar, National Law University Odisha" payable at Cuttack)

RESERVATION: Reservation of seats for SC/ST/ PWD will be made as per government of India rule.

NO ACCOMODATION FACILITY SHALL BE PROVIDED

LAST DATE OF SUBMISSION OF DOCUMENTS WITH BANK DRAFT:**10th October 2018**

DOCUMENTS TO BE SUBMITTED

- 10th and 10+2 Pass certificate
- 2 Passport size photograph

- Identity Proof (Aadhar card/PAN Card/ Voter ID)
- Any Reservation Certificate (OBC/ SC/ST)
- Bank Draft

Applicant is required to send the Application Form along with Documents to NLU,Odisha by Post.

NOTE

All Documents and Photos must be self attested

Original Documents must be brought at the time of interview

For any further information,

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