



The Tamil Nadu Dr. Ambedkar Law University
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LL.D. PROSPECTUS 2024-2025



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VICE CHANCELLOR'S MESSAGE

It is with immense pride and enthusiasm that I announce the commencement of our esteemed Doctor of Laws (LLD) program at the Tamil Nadu Dr Ambedkar Law University, Chennai. This program marks a significant milestone in our institution's commitment to fostering exceptional legal scholarship and preparing visionary leaders in the field of law.

The Doctor of Laws (LLD) stands as a symbol of scholarly pursuit, intended for those impassioned by the intricacies of law and dedicated to advancing the boundaries of legal knowledge. This program transcends traditional boundaries, fostering an environment where the scholars apply analytical thinking, whereby there will be intellectual exploration and scholarly development of legal issues. Through a multidisciplinary approach, scholars will delve into nuanced legal theories, engage in profound research endeavours, and bring about practical solutions for the complex legal challenges of our times.

LL.D. is not solely about academic achievement but represents a holistic approach to nurturing ethical, innovative, and principled legal professionals. It is a platform that encourages critical discourse, fosters diversity of thought, and inspires the pursuit of justice in this era of globalization.

As we embark on this transformative journey, I urge each member of our academic community to embrace this initiative wholeheartedly. Let us collectively champion the Doctor of Laws (LLD) program, contribute our insights, and pave the way for a future where legal education in the Tamil Nadu Dr Ambedkar Law University stands as a testament to excellence and innovation.

Together let us shape the future of legal scholarship and produce legal luminaries who will lead and redefine the legal landscape.

With great excitement and anticipation,

Col.Prof. Dr. N.S. Santhosh Kumar
Vice Chancellor
The Tamil Nadu Dr Ambedkar Law
University

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The Tamil Nadu Dr. Ambedkar Law University

Government of Tamil Nadu by an Act of State Legislature [Act No.43 of 1997] established the Tamil Nadu Dr. Ambedkar Law University for the advancement and dissemination of knowledge in learning, teaching and research in the field of law. His Excellency Shri. K.R. Narayanan, former President of India inaugurated it on September 20, 1997, and the University started from October 3, 1997 onwards. The University was named after the architect of the Indian Constitution Dr. B.R. Ambedkar. The University is recognized by the Bar Council of India (BCI) and University Grants Commission (UGC) (Sec. 2f and 12b of the UGC Act.). The University is also a member of the Association of Indian Universities (AIU), Association of Common Wealth Universities, U.K. and Indian Institute of Public Administration, New Delhi. This University is functioning as nodal agency to uplift the legal education in the State of Tamil Nadu. The University is the first full-fledged sui generis Law University in the country; it is unique among all the Law Universities in the Country. The University is the first full-fledged Law University that offers Legal Education only through this University and its affiliated colleges in the State and the University is the first of its kind not only in the country but also in South Asia. The University offers legal education at its campus as well as through sixteen affiliated colleges in the state of Tamil Nadu located at Chennai, Madurai, Trichy, Coimbatore, Tirunelveli, Chengalpattu, Vellore and Salem. The School of Excellence in Law established by the University at its campus since 2002 has been modeled on the lines of other National Law Schools in the country and offers three year as well as five year integrated undergraduate courses in Law. The University has a Postgraduate and Research Centre, which offers Master of Law Degree Courses in eleven different specializations, doctoral programme as well as organizing research in diverse areas of law.

This university after its 26th year of educational services to society in UG, PG and research level is planning to introduce LL.D Degree for those who are aspirant to do research in law after their Ph.D programme. As this university has entertained so many requests from legal luminaries, judges, senior advocates' and alumni including the renowned faculties of this

university it is decided to have a very constructive and proven LL.D Degree which will cater to the needs of all as well as it will take the university to the next level.

Regulations for the Degree of LLD

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Preamble

LLD (Doctor of law) is a specialized doctorate degree in the field of law. LLD is the highest degree offered by Tamil Nadu Dr. Ambedkar Law University on Full Time and Part Time basis. LLD is awarded to the candidate who, as per these regulations, has submitted a thesis on the basis of origin and independent research in any particular discipline in law that makes a significant contribution to the advancement of knowledge in a particular topic or area in the field of law, which is approved by the Board of examiners as required. A person with an LLD is regarded to have a high level of critical and analytical thinking.

Eligibility

2.1 A candidate seeking admission to LLD program of the Tamil Nadu Dr Ambedkar Law University must have pursued outstanding Post-Doctoral Research (PhD) in the concerned discipline and obtained the following qualifications required for admission as mentioned below.

2.2 The candidate must have obtained a PhD degree in Law from this university or any Indian University recognised by the UGC or Foreign University in the world recognised by the UGC/ AIU.

2.3 The candidate shall have 5 years of experience in the field of Law after obtaining PhD degree.

2.4 The candidate should have published a total of 10 articles/book chapters out of which minimum of 5 research papers must have been published after obtaining Ph.D.in the UGC listed research Journals or Scopus/Web of Science Journals or Journals of Universities within 500 QS world ranking/Top 100 ranks as per NIRF/reputed publisher.

2.5 The candidates should have presented papers in 10 Conferences out of which 5 must have been presented after Ph.D. in person. Among the conferences at-least 2 must have been conducted by institutions outside India.

2.6 The Board authorizes, The Chairman Board of Research to Constitute a Committee to list out the Journals in which the publication may be made.

Admission and registration

3.1 A candidate who are eligible for admission to LLD Degree shall apply to the Tamil Nadu Dr Ambedkar Law University in the prescribed application form with required document as given in the application form along with the application fee of Rupees 2500/-.

3.2 The candidate must submit 3 copies of synopsis of about 2500 to 3000 words on the proposal theme of research as per format given in the application form. The research proposal should be on a particular topic, theme and content should be interconnected. The candidate shall state in his/ her application the special subject on which he/she basis his/ her qualification for the Doctorate.

3.3 The thesis for the PhD degree or any other equivalent previous degree shall not form part of the LLD thesis.

3.4 A research committee constituted by the vice chancellor consists of the following members shall scrutinize the applications of the candidate and make recommendation for admission for LLD. The committee will evaluate the quality publication, research proposal for LLD.

The research committee:

- (a) Vice- Chancellor -Chairman
- (a) Dean Research and academic
- (b) Director Research
- (c) A subject expert
- (d) A senior professor

3.5 The candidates are required to present their LLD research proposal before the research committee by way of PPT.

3.6 The candidate whose application is recommended by the research committee for admission will be intimated to the candidate and the candidate must register for the degree of LLD with a completed application form registration, with required documents and photocopy along with the registration fees prescribed by the syndicate of the Tamil Nadu Dr Ambedkar law university within 15 days from the date of intimation of admission.

4. Duration of the program

4.1 The minimum and maximum time permissible for completion of the LLD degree shall be as under:

4.2 Minimum period shall be 2 years and maximum 4 years for both categories that is part time and full time researchers. The duration of the LLD program and the time for submission of the thesis shall be counted from the date of registration of the candidate.

Extension of time

In exceptional circumstances the vice-chancellor if deemed fit may extend the period of 6 months at a time subject to a maximum of one year, which shall not exceed the total duration of 5 years. The candidate must pay the prescribed extension fee with a progress report of not more than 10 pages. Thereafter, the registration of the candidates shall be deemed to be cancelled.

Fee Structure

6.1 Fee for LLD – Registration fees of Rs. 15,000 (Non-refundable) (at the time of registration) plus annual fees of Rs. 30,000 per annum (Non-refundable) and a refundable caution deposit of Rs.10,000/- .

6.2 The application needs to be accompanied by a Demand Draft of Rs. 2500/- (non-refundable and nonadjustable) in favour of the Registrar, The Tamil Nadu Dr Ambedkar Law University, Chennai payable at Chennai. A concession of 50% in terms of application fees for SC/ST candidates.

6.3 The candidate who seeks one time extension if approved shall pay the extension fee of Rs. 20,000.

6.4 Completed applications in all respect to be addressed to The Registrar, The Tamil Nadu Dr Ambedkar Law University "Poompozhi", 5 Dr D.G.S. Dinakaran Salai, Chennai 600 028, Tamilnadu, India.

7. Declaration

7.1 The thesis shall be accompanied by a declaration in the prescribed format signed by the candidate. The candidate should be satisfied that the thesis on the author's original search work has not previously formed the basis for the award of any degree such as a master's degree, diploma, fellowship or another similar title. No part of the thesis should be based on the author's published or unpublished PG, M.Phil and PhD or any other degree thesis or dissertation or project report.

8. Submission of Thesis

5.1 The candidate must submit six copies of the thesis along with a pen drive containing the thesis in MS Word in PDF form with the prescribed fee of Rs.25,000/- and the plagiarism report from the Chief Librarian of the University. A copy of the thesis should also be mailed to the mail id provided by Tamil Nadu Dr Ambedkar Law University.

9. Research Proposal for LLD

The Research Proposal must be according to the following specifications:

Title

Concept & Introduction

Significance of the study

Need for the study

Statement of Problem

Literature Review National/International

Research gap

Research problem

Research Questions

Hypothesis

Research Methodology

Aim and objectives of the Study

Research Design

Research Phase

Research Tools

Scope and limitation of the study

Research/ Expected outcome

Relevant to policymaking/society

Innovation

New data to be generated and novelty of the study

LLD thesis format

The layout of the LLD thesis- The LLD thesis should with the following specifications:

Cover page

Title page

Declaration

Certificate

Acknowledgement

Abbreviation(if any)

Contents

List of case laws(if any)

List of tables(where applicable)

List of figures(where applicable)

Text of thesis(chapter scheme may vary depending upon the subject) (The thesis should contain minimum of seven chapters)

Manuscript guidelines

The body of the manuscript must be minimum of 350 pages according to the following specifications:

Word count is exclusive of footnotes

The Thesis should be typed in Times New Roman Font size 12, 1.5 –line spacing.

Submissions must follow the Bluebook (20th edition) style of citation. Footnotes

The footnotes shall be typed single space with front space 10.

Evaluation of LLD thesis

The evaluation of the LLD thesis is carried out in two stages namely screening and evaluation.

12.1 Screening: A copy of the LLD thesis will be sent to two examiners in the screening panel (Shall be out side the State of Tamil Nadu) so as to compare and check how different and original the LLD is. Only if the examiners in the screening panel recommend that the LLD thesis is original and not form part of the PhD or other related work of the researcher, the thesis will be considered for evaluation. Otherwise, the thesis will be rejected at the screening stage itself and the rejected thesis will not be considered under any circumstances.

12.2 Evaluation: The LLD thesis after the screening report will be forwarded to the board of examiners which consists of three Examiners out of which One shall be from foreign University and other two will be from different regions.

12.3 The screening panel and evaluation panel will be selected by the Honourable Vice Chancellor.

12.4 The examiners will be requested to evaluate the thesis with a detailed report highlighting the contribution of the candidate.

12.5 The thesis is subjected to a plagiarism check. The plagiarism report shall not exceed 10%. The thesis will be summarily rejected if found plagiarized.

12.6 The candidate may be asked to give a reply if the examiner specifically raises questions and seeks a reply from the candidate.

12.7 The Dean of Academic and Research will be the convenor for consolidating the reports along with the subject expert which will be placed before the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor.

12.8 The candidate needs to face the open viva voce examination.

12.9 The report of the thesis will be sent to the controller of examinations.

12.10 The degree will be awarded the approval of the Syndicate if all the three examiners unanimously recommend the thesis for the award of the degree. If any one of the examiners is not recommending the thesis for the award of a degree then the thesis will be summarily rejected. The decision of the University will be informed to the candidate.

Publication of thesis

The publication of the thesis work in the form of a book after the award of LLD degree is allowed only after due written permission from the Tamil Nadu Dr Ambedkar Law University.

Residuary power

Notwithstanding anything contained in the foregoing Regulations, the candidate shall be governed by the regulations and procedures framed /amended by University from time to time.

The Vice Chancellor shall have power to take appropriate decision in case of any ambiguity or difficulty in interpretation of these rules.

