

# Faculty of Law

## Short Learning Programme in Law and 4IR

Centre for Continuing Education Programmes



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## The Programme

The Faculty of Law of the University of Johannesburg is offering a Short Learning Programme in Law and 4IR.

This programme introduces students to the intersection between law and the Fourth Industrial Revolution. It aims to equip professionals or would be professionals with a background from the legal, forensic or technical background with the necessary technical and legal knowledge in creating and implementing answerable programmes and policy frameworks relating to the ever- expanding area of law and 4IR.

A clear comprehension of the need to embrace the benefits of Information and Communication Technologies (ICTs) and to standardise the challenges that these ICTs engender is essential. Sometimes, this requires experts from diverse industries or fields to do collaborating or multi-disciplinary scholarly work aimed at uncovering the impact that ICTs have or is likely to have to their respective industries.

Consequently, the programme exposes, in an elementary and expertly manner, the shortcomings of the law in dealing with the developments emerging consequent to 4IR. It furthermore sets out legally workable ways of addressing these limitations in a digital era.

## Programme Content

The programme is designed to enhance the student's understanding of the topics indicated below and to provide them with apposite idea of the principles, standards and guidance on how to deal, in real time, with the advantages and address the disadvantages of law and 4IR. Accordingly, the programme covers the following topics:

### 1. The Fourth Industrial Revolution (4IR) and the Law:

- (a) A basic understanding of 4IR with specific reference to the revolutions that precedes it will be presented.
- (b) Thereafter, the general trajectory of the law and 4IR will be investigated in a more elaborate manner.

### 2. Data and Information Privacy Law:

- (a) This provides an overview of the data and information privacy law and principles. It also details the essence, importance and impact of these principles to society.
- (b) An overview of the effect of 4IR on the collection and processing of data will be discussed. The principles regulating the collection and processing of data will guide this discussion.

### 3. Electronic or E-Commerce:

- (a) A general study of electronic or e-commerce will be provided. The focus will be on the formation of commercial agreements and requisite formalities relating to the establishment of these contracts.
- (b) An overview of the benefits and drawbacks of e-commerce 4.0 to society will be set out.

#### **4. Labour Law 4.0:**

(a) An overview of the position of the related principles of labour law will be examined. This will look at the nature and significance of these rules to society. The focus is on aspects, for example, individual labour law, collective labour, labour dispute resolution and social security.

(b) The trajectory of these labour law aspects and 4IR will be discussed.

#### **5. Cyber-Crimes and Cyber-Security:**

(a) An overall synopsis of cyber-crimes and cyber-security will be analysed. Scenarios informed by facts and law will be examined to expose the extent of the limit of the legal principles regulating cyber-crimes.

(b) Discussion of existing legal framework to deal with the use of AI to commit cyber-crimes.

#### **6. Ethics, Law and 4IR:**

(a) The framework and role of ethics, law and 4IR will be investigated. The importance of ethics in dealing with acts or conducts independent of humans and without human control or intervention will be discussed.

(b) Exposition of the ethical means (Ethics 4.0) to deal with the aggregation of AI.

### **Programme Leader**

Prof M Njotini

### **Who Should Attend**

The programme covers or is intended to cover a wide array of fields or industries extending beyond, inter alia, the legal, forensic and technical professions.

The Law and 4IR is a 6 month online programme with arranged practical sessions (dates to be confirmed) for which attendance is compulsory.

### **When**

There are two intakes for this Programme. The first intake is generally in February 2022 and the second intake will begin July 2022.

### **Admission Requirements**

A bachelor's degree or equivalent 3-year qualification on the former NQF Level 6 or current NQF Level 7.

### **Assessment and Outcome**

Participation at the arranged practical sessions, written assignment(s) and (portfolio) examination.

An examination will be written after 6 months.

**Outcome:** Successful students will receive a certificate in Law and 4IR from the University of Johannesburg.

## Foreign Students

Foreign Students must have their School Leaving Certificate and Tertiary Qualification Certificates evaluated by the South African Matriculation Board and SAQA respectively. This could take a couple of months so please do this timeously.

## Online Applications

The Course Code is: **S4LINO**. The Mode of Study is “E – Learning CEP”.

Go to the UJ WebSite [www.uj.ac.za](http://www.uj.ac.za) and follow these steps:

- Choose: Study@UJ
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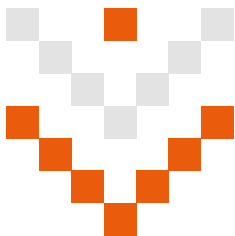
Should you encounter any difficulty with this process you can call the Student Enrolment Centre on 011 559 4555.

The following documents must be submitted with the Application:

- Certified copy of ID Document
- Certified copy of Matric Certificate
- Certified Copy of Tertiary qualification(s)
- Certified copy of Academic Transcript of your qualifications
- Certified copy of Marriage/ decree of Divorce certificate (if applicable)

## Enquiries

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