

LEEDS LAW SCHOOL

LEVEL 4 – 1ST YEAR UNDERGRADUATE

Module information	Semester	Credit
<p>English Legal System Method & Skills</p> <p>Module Description: This module provides an introduction to the study of law and the English legal system and key skills required to acquire and apply legal knowledge and understanding. Students will gain an understanding of the operation of the English legal system, including its personnel and structure and the law making and judicial reasoning process. Particular attention is paid the research and analysis of primary sources of law and authoritative secondary sources.</p> <p>Module content: The module will include coverage of the following: The origins of law (including legislation, case law, EU law and ECHR) – How lawyers categorise law; Legislation – The origins of legislation and the legislative process, How to locate legislation and changes to legislation, and How to interpret legislation; Judicial Precedent – How to locate case law, How to read and use case law, and The use of precedent; and English legal system – Court hierarchy, Division of the courts, and Legal personnel.</p> <p>Assessment: Assignment 30%; Assignment 70%</p>	Autumn	20
<p>The Law of Contract</p> <p>Module Description: Contracts play an important role in everyday life affecting individuals and businesses. A contract is a legally binding agreement and there are further legal requirements that must be satisfied before this agreement will result in an enforceable contract. Initially the module looks at how a contract is created which includes an understanding of offer and acceptance which provides the agreement. That agreement must be supported by consideration as well as an intention to create legal relations and capacity for a contract to exist. Having considered the formation of a contract the module goes on to look at terms of a contract that determine the obligations of each party as well as specific terms that seek to exclude or limit liability. The failure to meet obligations under the contract lead to breach of contract and the module also considers the remedies and damages available in the event of a breach of contract.</p> <p>Module content: Offer, Acceptance, the Intention to create Legal Relations and Capacity; Consideration and Promissory Estoppel; Terms of a Contract, express and implied: Conditions, Warranties and Innominate Terms; Exclusion clauses; and Breach of contract and remedies: Common Law and Equitable.</p> <p>Assessment: Assignment 30%; Assignment 70%</p>	Autumn	20
<p>Public Law</p> <p>Module Description: The module will introduce students to the law of the constitution and offer the opportunity to develop the skill of constructing a discursive argument.</p> <p>Module content: The module is designed to give student an insight to the historical, development of the UK constitution to its present position. It also takes into account developments over the last 50 years of International treaties and agreements that have contributed to that development. Student gain an insight into the individual and the state and how actions can be taken forward against the state. This is achieved by considering the following areas: What is a Constitution; Sources of law; Parliament; Rule of Law; The European Union; Human Rights; and Judicial review.</p>	Autumn	20

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<p>Assessment: Assignment 100%</p>		
<p>Corporate & Business Law</p> <p>Module Description: This module is designed to introduce students to the following areas of law: English Legal System; Contract Law including the Law of Agency; Tort of Negligence; Business Media; Partnership Law; Company Law; Insolvency Law; and Employment Law. The students are provided with scenarios in the seminars which raise various legal issues. The students are given an opportunity to identify these legal issues and to discuss and apply the relevant law.</p> <p>Module content: Introduction to the English Legal System; Law of Contract; Law of Tort; Law of Agency; Business Organisations; Partnership Law; Company Law; Insolvency Law; Employment Law; and Corporate Governance & Ethics.</p> <p>Assessment: Exam 100%</p>	<p>Autumn Spring</p>	<p>20</p>
<p>Career Development and Employability Skills</p> <p>Module Description: This module is designed to enhance students' employability skills and to enable students to demonstrate those skills. The module introduces students to recruitment and selection procedures and gives students the opportunity to reflect on their skills and attributes and to undertake activities which form part of recruitment and selection procedures.</p> <p>Module content: Graduate attributes; Graduate recruitment and selection processes; Competency based recruitment; Researching the graduate employment market; How to be "rounded" graduate, reflection and career planning; Preparing CVs and covering letters; Preparing answers to application form questions; and Presentation skills.</p> <p>Assessment: Presentation 30%; Portfolio 70%</p>	<p>Spring</p>	<p>20</p>
<p>Tort Law</p> <p>Module Description: The word 'tort' means wrong and this module is about civil (or private) law liability for certain kinds of wrongs. It looks at the circumstances in which organisations and individuals who have suffered harm at the hands of others might be able to claim compensation from the wrongdoer. Initially, the module concentrates on negligence, the most important area of tort claims. Other key and topical areas such as trespass to the person. The module will introduce you to ideas which are of great significance to the management of risks in everyday life, in business and in society as a whole.</p> <p>Module content: Introducing tort and its role in a modern society; The general principles of negligence – duty, breach and loss; Example of a special duty situation in negligence - psychiatric harm; Example of statutory negligence – occupier's liability; Elements of nuisance; and Trespass to the person and harassment.</p> <p>Assessment: Assignment 30%; Assignment 70%</p>	<p>Spring</p>	<p>20</p>
<p>Criminal Law</p> <p>Module Description: The module will provide students with the foundation knowledge required to understand and apply the criminal law in this module and level 5. The module will allow students to develop the ability to approach the question of liability in a logical way, and to undertake independent research to find legal solutions.</p> <p>Module content: They will begin by learning the key ingredients of criminal liability such as Actus Reus, Mens Rea and Causation before moving on to selected Non-fatal Offences Against the Person and finally Complicity Offences.</p> <p>Assessment: Presentation 30%; Assignment 70%</p>	<p>Spring</p>	<p>20</p>
<p>Introducing Media Law</p> <p>Module Description: This module provides the foundation knowledge required for</p>	<p>Spring</p>	<p>20</p>

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<p>journalists and media practitioners to understand their rights and responsibilities in relation to the public. It examines the legal and regulatory systems which govern the Media in England.</p> <p>Module content: Sources of law and legal terminology; Common Crimes; Human Rights and the Media; Access to Courts; Court Visits; Contempt of Court; General Reporting Restrictions; Criminal Reporting Restrictions; and Challenging Reporting Restrictions.</p> <p>Assessment: Exam 100%</p>		
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LEVEL 5 – 2ND YEAR UNDERGRADUATE

The modules taught on the LLB Law course are designed to provide students with the core areas of law governing England and Wales to allow them to attain a Qualifying Law Degree (as governed by the Solicitors Regulation Authority), so the topics covered in second and third year assume prior knowledge of various legal topics and are specific to England and Wales. It is important that you pay particular attention to this to ensure that you have the necessary level of study to take these modules.

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<p>Advocacy</p> <p>Module Description: Advocacy is perceived by many as the main aspect of a lawyer's role. Whilst this isn't necessarily correct, it is an essential legal skill. The Advocacy module will build on the knowledge of substantive law acquired through study and move towards the practical demonstration of that knowledge in short advocacy submissions. These submissions will cross over civil and criminal law and include opposed and unopposed performance opportunities</p> <p>Module content: Students will, during the course of workshops: Apply for an adjournment; Make a prosecution submission opposing bail; Make a defence application for bail; Open a case for the prosecution; Deal with a sentencing matter, representing either the prosecution or defence; Apply for an injunction; and Deal with a civil point on appeal (moot).</p> <p>Assessment: Report 30%; Presentation 70%</p>	Autumn	20
<p>Applied Criminal Law</p> <p>Module Description: The module will build on the foundations acquired in Foundations of Criminal Law and focus on the ability to consider how legal theory is applied in practice.</p> <p>Module content: Liability for homicide; Property offences; Sexual offences; Consolidation of key topics from crime 1; and Sentencing.</p> <p>Assessment: Assignment 100%</p>	Autumn	20
<p>Foundations of Equity & Trusts</p> <p>Module Description: Trusts have an important role for both business and private clients. A trust can be described as a device by which the legal owner of property is required to look after and manage the property for another person or persons. The legal owner is referred to as the trustee and the people on whose behalf he manages the property are referred to as the beneficiaries. Initially this module looks at how and why trusts are created. This includes understanding the different forms of trust, their legal frameworks, the principles of equity affecting their creation and the use of trusts in practice. Having looked at the creation of the trust the module goes on to consider the statutory and equitable rules which govern the way in which a private trust is managed including asset management and distribution and the appointment retirement and removal of trustees. In looking at the remedies of beneficiaries the module includes both the liability of the trustees to the beneficiaries and also the circumstances in which those who are not trustees may also find themselves liable. Having considered when individuals may be liable to trustees the module then considers the remedies which may be available in the event of wrongdoing. The emphasis of the module is upon an effective marriage of understanding of academic principles of law and of their practical effect</p> <p>Module content: The nature and history of equity and equitable maxims; The concept and types of trust; The formalities required for the constitution of an express trust; Implied trusts with particular reference to the matrimonial home; The three certainties required for the formation of a trust - Certainty of intention to create a</p>	Autumn	20

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<p>trust, Certainty of subject matter of a trust, and Certainty of object of a trust; The appointment, retirement and removal of trustees; Trustee investment powers and duties; Trustee powers of maintenance and advancement; Fiduciary Duties; Liability of Trustees and of strangers to the trust; and Equitable Remedies.</p> <p>Assessment: Audio Visual presentation 30%; Exam 70%</p>		
<p>Media Law in Context</p> <p>Module Description: This module builds upon knowledge acquired in Level 4's Introducing Media Law. It provides the professional knowledge required for journalists and media practitioners to understand their rights and responsibilities in relation to their work in the public domain. It examines the legal and regulatory systems which govern the media in England in relation to defamation, privacy, government and journalistic sources. It requires students to not only acquire knowledge but to apply it in a journalistic environment.</p> <p>Module content: Confidentiality; Privacy; Journalistic Sources; Data Protection; Copyright; Official Secrets; Freedom of Information; and Public Order and the Media.</p> <p>Assessment: Exam 80%; Assignment 20%</p>	Autumn	20
<p>Law of the European Union</p> <p>Module Description: The law of the EU is a level 5 core module of the LLB which has relevance to study at level 4 where students in the law of the constitution examine the sources of the UK constitution as including the EC Act which brings an international treaty (the Treaty of Rome) into domestic law as well as placing a duty on UK courts to give primacy to EU law in the event of a conflict between EU and national law. The new law of the European Union module enables the student to explore the law of the European Union by examining the supranational structure and status of the law of the EU and its relationship to the national laws of the Member States. The module then develops students understanding and application of the key legal doctrines of the law of the EU and the specific application of the law of the EU in certain selected substantive legal contexts. Such study has relevance for the further study at level 6 of a variety of national law subjects which are influenced by the supranational law of the EU e.g. company law, intellectual property law and employment law.</p> <p>Module content: Unit 1 The supranational nature of the European Union and its key institutions; Unit 2 The competence of the European Union, the sources of European Union law and the inter-relationship between the institutions of the European Union and the Member States in the creation and functioning of the corpus of the law of the European Union; Unit 3 The jurisdiction, approach to reasoning and procedure of the Court of Justice of the European Union, the preliminary reference procedure; Unit 4 The key doctrines created by the European Court of Justice (Supremacy, direct effect, indirect effect and state liability) in order to ensure the effectiveness and equivalence of EU law; Unit 5 Introduction to the European Internal Market and European Union Internal Market law relating to the free movement of the factors of production; Unit 6 The law of the European Union on Free Movement of Goods - non tariff barriers; Unit 7 The law of the European Union on Free Movement of Goods tariff barriers; Unit 8 The law of the European Union on Free Movement of Persons; Unit 9 European Citizenship; and Unit 10 The law of the European Union on Free Movement of Services and Establishment.</p> <p>Assessment: Exam 100%</p>	Spring	20
<p>Commercial Law</p> <p>Module Description: This module will build on the rules of contract law undertaken in level four and will provide students with a grounding in commercial law and an appreciation of commercial factors which influence the operation of a business.</p>	Spring	20

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<p>Module content: Nature and purpose of commercial law: To uphold commercial agreements freely made where possible, To provide predictability to enable those in commerce to make informed decisions, To be sufficiently flexible to accommodate evolving commercial practices, and The identification and management of risk; Fundamental principles of commercial law: The law of sale of goods in a commercial context, Principles of title and ownership of goods, and Standard terms and practices in commercial contracts; and Principles and application of the law of agency.</p> <p>Assessment: Presentation 30%; Exam 70%</p>		
<p>International Trade Law</p> <p>Module Description: This module explores the variety of ways in which the law has been used to facilitate international trade. It is designed to help both Business and Law students to define, analyse, and apply legal and non-legal rules in the context of the operation of international trade law in a public law context.</p> <p>Module content: The constitution and legal basis of the World Trade Organisation; The General Agreement on Trade and Tariffs; The General Agreement on Services; The TRIPS Agreement; The Dispute Settlement Understanding , and international dispute resolution; and Regional trade associations and the European Union.</p> <p>Assessment: Presentation 30%; Assignment 70%</p>	Spring	20
<p>Corporate Law</p> <p>Module Description: This module is designed to introduce students to the following areas of Corporate Law: Law of Agency; Business Media; Partnership Law; Company Law; Insolvency Law; and Employment Law. The students are provided with scenarios in the seminars which raise various legal issues. The students are given an opportunity to identify these legal issues and to discuss and apply the relevant law.</p> <p>Module content: Law of Agency; Business Organisations; Partnership Law; Company Law; Insolvency Law; and Employment Law.</p> <p>Assessment: Exam 100%</p>	Spring	20