



# **Master of Laws (LL.M.)**

## **Course Catalog**

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## Modules

### **LAW7023 Trade Mark and Law Policy**

30 UK credits

#### **Course Description:**

This module is designed to enable you to develop a detailed appreciation of trademark law and the jurisprudence and policy influences that underpin the current law and continue to shape its future evolution. Through this module, you will gain a valuable insight into the role of the European Union in relation to the harmonization of trade mark law and be able to place this in a global context as part of a wider international framework. In this module, the Bolton Values that will be taught, developed and/or assessed are based on social, public and ethical responsibility, and/or internationalization.

#### **Learning Outcomes**

On successful completion of this module, you will be expected to be able to:

1. Evaluate the impact of trademark policy on the development of trademark law.
2. To understand the role of the European Union in the evolution of trade mark law
3. To appreciate how modern trademark use and perception by both businesses and consumers influences the current law and future developments.
4. To research, collate and evaluate a range of primary and secondary sources on trade mark law and policy.

#### **Learning & Teaching Strategy**

The approach taken to learning on this module is a combination of input from the module tutor and group discussion. The scheduled lectures will enable the module tutor to outline the basic legal concepts whilst the seminars will provide the opportunity for group discussion, which will explore the relevant law and academic analysis of this. The role of the tutor is to provide a learning Framework to meet module objectives however it should be highlighted that it is the responsibility of you, the student, to become your own learning resource and every effort will be made to encourage student-centered learning where possible.

## **LAW7020 Public International Law**

30 UK credits

### **Course Description:**

The module aims to introduce students to the Public International Law. It will provide an understanding of the role and nature of public international law and the avoidance of or resolution of issues of conflict between states and international organizations. Lectures will introduce the broad legal framework for this subject and provide conceptual understanding, analytical guidance so that students may independently pursue an independently researched comparative study on an aspect of Public International Law. Seminars will be used to explore the concepts of the law between states and the roles of supra-National bodies. In this module, the Bolton Values that will be taught, developed and/or assessed are based on internationalization.

### **Learning Outcomes**

On successful completion of this Module, you will be expected to be able to:

1. Justify and appraise issues relating to Public International Law looking at issue, principles and the legal implications of the relationships existing between states and international organizations.
2. Critically analyze how Public International Law seeks to address problematic substantive and procedural legal issues
3. Exhibit a critical awareness associated with procedural and substantive legal issues looking at aspects of Public International Law.

### **Learning & Teaching Strategy**

You will be expected to prepare for classes by undertaking relevant reading. Tutor led sessions will build on this preliminary learning with a blend of formal lectures, group discussion, seminar and tutorials. At this level, you are expected to demonstrate considerable independence in your study and your reading and research should be extensive. Seminars at key points during the course of the module will provide you with an opportunity to receive guidance and feedback on your progress. Lectures are designed to introduce (or refresh your knowledge of) key concepts and frameworks. The current affairs of business and your personal working environment will inform seminars and group discussions and you will be expected to make significant contributions in these activities to consolidate your learning. The University's Virtual Learning Environment (VLE) will provide online access to weekly materials as well as links to additional resources such as relevant academic journals and useful websites to

aid your learning. In addition, the University's Library webpages provide access to a host of Edit Learning and Teaching Strategy (Module Versions/1602/Edit).

## **LAW7017 Law of International Trade**

30 UK credits

### **Course Description:**

This module introduces students to the major issues involved in trading contracts between jurisdictions. It will consider the duties and responsibility of parties to such contract, their terms, and problems relating to enforcement of contracts and the remedies that can be invoked in cases of breach. Moreover, students will consider the documentation used in International Trade, the financing of transactions and insurance. In this module, the Bolton Values that will be taught, developed and /or assessed are based on internationalization.

### **Learning Outcomes**

On successful completion of this Module, you will be expected to be able to:

1. Justify and appraise issues relating to the Law of International Trade looking at issue, principles and the legal implications of trading arrangements.
2. Critically analyze how Law of International Trade seeks to address problematic substantive and procedural legal issues.
3. Exhibit a critical awareness associated with procedural and substantive legal issues looking at aspects of the Law of International Trade.

### **Learning & Teaching Strategy**

Each topic will be introduced by a formal lecture. You will be expected to undertake directed reading on the scheduled topic prior to each session. One hour per week of tutorial time will be used for personal tutoring activities in line with the program's specific tutoring plan. The lectures will be followed by a series of tutorial sessions in which you will be presented with a range of case studies and based on an evaluation of them, will be required to apply theories, legislation and case authorities in order to formulate a response scenario thus giving you the opportunity to develop your knowledge.

## **LAW7013 International Business Law**

30 UK credits

### **Course Description:**

This module seeks to examine the role and functions of businesses and how they are regulated in the UK and EU. After initial consideration is given as to how such organizations are created focus is then on the laws that regulate daily operations and the consequences of non-compliance of those laws and related fields. The module focuses on a large number of areas that organizations must be aware of – including those laws that relate to contract, agency and employment law. In this module, the Bolton Values that will be taught, developed and/or assessed are based on social, public & ethical responsibility, environmental sustainability and awareness, and/or internationalization.

### **Learning Outcomes**

On successful completion of this Module, you will be expected to be able to:

1. Demonstrate a critical understanding of the historical development of European and UK Business Law
2. Critically assess the legal obligations of different business organizations to individuals and related areas such as agency.
3. Exhibit a critical awareness associated with procedural and substantive legal issues looking at aspects of the Law of Contract.
4. Evaluate and show a critical awareness of the procedural and substantive legal issues looking at aspects of the Law of Contract.

### **Learning & Teaching Strategy**

You will be expected to prepare for classes by undertaking relevant reading. Tutor led sessions will build on this preliminary learning with a blend of formal lectures, group discussion, seminar and tutorials. At this level, you are expected to demonstrate considerable independence in your study and your reading and research should be extensive. Tutorials at key points during the course of the module will provide you with an opportunity to receive guidance and feedback on your progress. Lectures are designed to introduce (or refresh your knowledge of) key concepts and frameworks. The current affairs of business and your personal working environment will inform seminars and group discussions and you will be expected to make significant contributions in these activities to consolidate your learning. The University's Virtual Learning Environment (VLE) will provide online access to weekly materials as well as links to additional resources such as relevant academic journals and useful websites to aid your learning. In addition, the University's Library webpages provide access to a host of online resources such as e-journal and e-book repositories.

## **LAW7011 Financial and Economic Crime**

30 UK credits

### **Course Description:**

This Module will draw together issues relating to the substantive law, both criminal and civil, regulatory practice and compliance providing students with knowledge of an increasingly important area of practice and risk management. While the law will be primarily that of the United Kingdom, there will be extensive reference to the impact of US law, as applied on an extra-territorial basis. In this module, the Bolton Values that will be taught, developed and/or assessed are based on social, public and ethical responsibility, environmental sustainability and awareness, internationalization.

### **Learning Outcomes**

On successful completion of this Module, you will be expected to be able to:

1. Analyse and develop a thorough understanding of the theoretical justifications of the law relation to fraud, corruption and other abuses, and the significance of their control in the business sector.
2. Develop a detailed understanding of the fundamental principles of prevention, interdiction and control of financial crime and in particular the impact on other areas of the law and practice.
3. Focus in depth on selected current issues of practical significance to the identification, control and management of risk associated with economically motivated financial crime.
4. Develop and apply an understanding of the relevant law and regulations in a practical commercial, business and financial context.

### **Learning & Teaching Strategy**

You will be expected to prepare for classes by undertaking relevant reading. Tutor led sessions will build on this preliminary learning with a blend of formal lectures, group discussion, seminar and tutorials. At this level, you are expected to demonstrate considerable independence in your study and your reading and research should be extensive. Tutorials at key points during the course of the module will provide you with an opportunity to receive guidance and feedback on your progress. Lectures are designed to introduce (or refresh your knowledge of) key concepts and frameworks. The current affairs of business and your personal working environment will inform seminars and group discussions and you will be expected to make significant contributions in these activities to consolidate your learning. The University's Virtual

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## **LAW7010 EU Public Law**

30 UK credits

This module considers important aspects of EU public Law. It examines European integration and the changing nature of the European Union, focusing on the successive treaty amendments, the evolution of policy areas, the change in the structure of the EU, theories of integration, and reliance on new forms of governance. It analyses supremacy of EU law and its application by national courts. The module then examines policy options and legal instruments available to the Union legislature, considering in particular the notions of direct applicability and direct effect. The third part of this module analyses the Union legislative process, focusing on legislative procedures, voting methods, relative power of the EU legislative institutions, legal bases, as well as principles of conferred powers, proportionality and subsidiarity. The final part of the module examines the Court of Justice of the European Union, infringement proceedings against Member States, the action of annulment, and the preliminary rulings procedure. In this module, the Bolton Values that will be taught, developed and/or assessed are based on environmental sustainability and awareness, and internationalization.

### **Learning Outcomes**

On successful completion of this Module, you will be expected to be able to:

1. Analyze the evolution of the European Union, its changing nature, and evaluate contemporary debates on the future of the Union.
2. Analyze the balance of power between the EU legislative institutions in the legislative process, the extent of EU competence and its limits.
3. Identify implications and advantages of legal instruments available.
4. Assess the role of the CJEU in the development of the EU.
5. Analyze the relationship between the CJEU and national courts.

## **Learning & Teaching Strategy**

Lectures will introduce key aspects and knowledge of the topic. Seminars will provide an opportunity for group discussion and further development of knowledge and understanding. Students will be expected to complete a substantial amount of reading prior to each seminar in order to engage in discussion of the topic. As well as providing an opportunity for further in depth knowledge of the subject, seminars will allow students to develop their confidence and communication skills.

## **LAW7004 Corporate Governance**

30 UK credits

The module will focus on both the practical and theoretical aspects of how companies are directed and controlled. It addresses the outcome of the separation of ownership and control and the principles regulating the behavior of corporate executives in their management of the company. While emphasis is given to corporate governance in Anglo-American and West European system, the module also critically discusses international corporate governance and the changing paradigm of corporate governance with the recent financial crisis. In this module the Bolton Values that will be taught, developed and/or assessed are based on social, public and ethical responsibility, environmental sustainability and awareness, internationalization.

## **Learning Outcomes**

On successful completion of this Module, you will be expected to be able to:

1. Demonstrate an understanding of key corporate governance concepts and the importance of effective corporate governance to the economy.
2. Reconcile theory and practice of corporate governance and areas for future development of the subject.
3. Illustrate a sound knowledge of the laws and principles regulating corporate governance and their development.
4. Critically evaluate the political, social and economic aspects of corporate governance.

## **Learning & Teaching Strategy**

You will be expected to prepare for classes by undertaking relevant reading. Tutor led sessions will build on this preliminary learning with a blend of formal lectures, group discussion, seminar and tutorials. At this level, you are expected to demonstrate considerable independence in your study and your reading and research should be extensive. Seminars at key points during the course of the module will provide you with an opportunity to receive guidance and feedback on your progress. Lectures are designed to introduce (or refresh your

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