

Course Specification

Course Summary Information			
1	Course Title		LLB (Hons) Law
2	BCU Course Code	UCAS Code	US0683 M100
3	Awarding Institution		
4	Teaching Institution(s) (if different from point 3)		
5	Professional Statutory or Regulatory Body (PSRB) accreditation (if applicable)		Joint Academic Standards Board (JASB) Solicitors Regulation Authority (SRA) Bar Standards Board (BSB)

6	Course Description
	<p>Looking for law courses in Birmingham? Our LLB Law degree allows you to take a year-long placement in the legal sector, which could see you travelling to America.</p> <p>Birmingham City University's School of Law is recognised for producing knowledgeable, practical and ethical legal professionals and lawyers.</p> <p>Taking both a national and international perspective, the course provides a deep understanding of modern law practices, taught by an experienced and enthusiastic team of legal professionals.</p> <p>What's covered in the course?</p> <p>You will learn key skills such as critical thinking, analysis, negotiation and advocacy and also have the option to apply for a year-long placement in a legal environment and/or complete a third year placement module</p> <p>Your learning will enable you to develop the skills and attributes to become a legal professional with independent learning skills.</p> <p>We aim to enable you to develop a critical awareness of the role of law in influencing social change, as well as individual and corporate behaviour. We will equip you with the skills and knowledge to make a difference in issues of fairness, equality and access to justice.</p>

7	Course Awards		
7a	Name of Final Award	Level	Credits Awarded
	Bachelor of Laws with Honours	6	360
7b	Exit Awards and Credits Awarded		
	Certificate of Higher Education Law	4	120
	Diploma of Higher Education Law	5	240
	Bachelor of Laws	6	300

8	Derogation from the University Regulations
	Students wishing to apply to the Bar are advised that compensation is not acceptable as part of the eligibility requirements for a place on the BPTC.

9	Delivery Patterns		
	Mode(s) of Study	Location	Duration of Study
	Full Time	City Centre	3 Years
	Sandwich	City Centre	4 Years
	Part Time	City Centre	5 Years*
			Code
			US0683
			US0683S
			US0684

* If you study this course part-time, you will study modules alongside full-time students in daytime hours (not evenings or weekends). The duration of the course will depend on how many modules you take per year, and will be agreed before you commence your studies. To qualify as a PT student you cannot undertake more than 90 credits in any one year.

10	Entry Requirements
	The admission requirements for this course are stated on the course page of the BCU website at https://www.bcu.ac.uk/ , or may be found by searching for the course entry profile located on the UCAS website .

11	Course Learning Outcomes
1	To display excellence in the acquisition of knowledge and understanding of the English legal system and the substantive rules of English law within its political, historical, global and economic context; its relationship with ethical and moral issues and the ways in which lawyers can effect social change through the application of legal principles.
2	To analyse, critically evaluate and produce a synthesis of legal rules and apply these to a range of issues and problems.
3	To demonstrate a knowledge-applied approach, showing an ability to make proficient use of information and materials from a variety of sources, including knowledge of the legal conventions relevant to English and EU Law, in the critical evaluation and solution of legal issues and problems.
4	To develop key employability skills, to include assimilating knowledge; framing appropriate questions; marshalling coherent and rational argument, and relating theory and practice in order to draw independent conclusions through the ability to strategically plan for one's own learning method and structured response to meaningful feedback.
5	To use the English language with precision, in relation to legal issues, in order to make effective oral and written presentations which are coherent and comprehensible to meet expectations in the workplace.
6	To develop a range of other pervasive skills, including: making relevant use of numerical and statistical information derived from primary and secondary sources when constructing an argument, conducting electronic research and appropriate use of the internet to locate relevant information, producing work which is presented and formatted using standard software packages, working co-operatively, ethically and professionally with others.

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Level 6:

In order to complete this course a student must successfully complete all the following CORE modules (totalling 80 credits):

Module Code	Module Name	Credit Value
LAW6063	Equity and the Law of Trusts	20
LAW6064	Law of the European Union	20
	To select:	
LAW6065	EITHER Integrated Law Research Project	40
LAW6074	OR American Legal Practice	40
LAW6075	OR The United Nations: Law and Practice	40
LAW6076	OR Legal Advice and Representation Unit	40

In order to complete this course a student must successfully complete at least 40 credits from the following list of OPTIONAL modules.

Module Code	Module Name	Credit Value
LAW6069	Evidence Proof and Argument	20
LAW6070	Family Law	20
LAW6072	Intellectual Property Law	20
LAW6068	American Criminal Procedure and Evidence	20
LAW6073	America and International Legal Issues	20

12b Structure Diagram

Please note list of optional modules is indicative only. Students' choice will not be guaranteed for optional modules but a fair and transparent process will be adopted and shared with students.

Level 4

SEMESTER ONE	SEMESTER TWO
Core LAW4020 Criminal Law 1: Fundamental Concepts and Crimes Against Persons LAW4018 Torts 1: Fundamental Concepts, Trespass to the Person and Negligence LAW4017 Law of Contract 1: Fundamental Concepts and Creating Contracts	Core LAW4021 Criminal Law 2: Process, Property Crimes and Problem Solving LAW4019 Torts 2: Property, Reputation and Privacy LAW4022 Contract Law 2: Breach, Remedies and Advocacy

Level 5

Core LAW5066 Constitutional and Administrative Law LAW5065 Land Law LAW5067 Professional Skills and Practice	Core None
Optional None	Optional LAW5070 Alternative Dispute Resolution LAW5077 Company Law LAW5071 Employment Law LAW5076 Medical Law and Ethics LAW5072 Federalism and the US Constitution LAW5073 The Individual and the US Constitution LAW5078 Citizens' Advice Placement
	Optional Study Abroad

Level 6

Core LAW6063 Equity and the Law of Trusts LAW6064 Law of the European Union	
	Optional LAW6069 Evidence, Proof and Argument LAW6070 Family Law LAW6072 Intellectual Property Law *LAW6068 American Criminal Procedure and Evidence *LAW6073 America and International Legal Issues *You may choose only one American option
Core You must choose only one of the following three yearlong 40 credit modules LAW6065 Integrated Research Project LAW6074 American Legal Practice LAW6075 The United Nations: Law and Practice LAW6076 Legal Advice and Representation Unit	

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Year 1 (Students will complete 4 Level 4 Core Modules)

SEMESTER ONE	SEMESTER TWO
Core LAW4018 Torts 1: Fundamental Concepts, Trespass to the Person and Negligence LAW4017 Law of Contract 1: Fundamental Concepts and Creating Contracts	Core LAW4019 Torts 2: Property, Reputation and Privacy LAW4022 Contract Law 2: Breach, Remedies and Advocacy

Year 2 (Students will complete 2 Level 4 Core Modules, 1 Level 5 Core Module and 1 Level 5 Optional Module)

SEMESTER ONE	SEMESTER TWO
Core LAW4020 Criminal Law 1: Fundamental Concepts and Crimes Against Persons LAW5066 Constitutional and Administrative Law	Core LAW4021 Criminal Law 2: Process, Property Crimes and Problem Solving
	Optional LAW5070 Alternative Dispute Resolution LAW5077 Company Law LAW5071 Employment Law LAW5076 Medical Law and Ethics LAW5072 Federalism and the US Constitution LAW5073 The Individual and the US Constitution LAW5078 Citizens' Advice Placement

Year 3 (Students will complete 2 Level 5 Core Modules and 2 Level 5 Optional Modules)

SEMESTER ONE	SEMESTER TWO
Core LAW5065 Land Law LAW5067 Professional Skills and Practice	Core None
	Optional LAW5070 Alternative Dispute Resolution

	LAW5077 Company Law LAW5071 Employment Law LAW5076 Medical Law and Ethics LAW5072 Federalism and the US Constitution LAW5073 The Individual and the US Constitution LAW5078 Citizens' Advice Placement
Optional Study Abroad	

Year 4 (Students will complete 2 Level 6 Core Modules and 2 Level 6 Optional Modules)

SEMESTER ONE	SEMESTER TWO
Core LAW6063 Equity and the Law of Trusts LAW6064 Law of the European Union	Core None
	Optional LAW6069 Evidence, Proof and Argument LAW6070 Family Law LAW6072 Intellectual Property Law *LAW6068 American Criminal Procedure and Evidence *LAW6073 America and International Legal Issues *You may choose only one American option unless you are on the American Legal Studies Pathway.

Year 5 (Students will complete a 40 credit Year Long Level 6 Core Module)

Core You must choose only one of the following yearlong 40 credit modules LAW6065 Integrated Research Project LAW6074 American Legal Practice LAW6075 The United Nations: Law and Practice LAW6076 Legal Advice and Representation Unit

13 Overall Student Workload and Balance of Assessment

Overall student *workload* consists of class contact hours, independent learning and assessment activity, with each credit taken equating to a total study time of around 10 hours. While actual contact hours may depend on the optional modules selected, the following information gives an indication of how much time students will need to allocate to different activities at each level of the course.

- *Scheduled Learning* includes lectures, practical classes and workshops, contact time specified in timetable
- *Directed Learning* includes placements, work-based learning, external visits, on-line activity, Graduate+, peer learning
- *Private Study* includes preparation for exams

The *balance of assessment* by mode of assessment (e.g. coursework, exam and in-person) depends to some extent on the optional modules chosen by students. The approximate percentage of the course assessed by coursework, exam and in-person is shown below.

Level 4

Workload

% time spent in timetabled teaching and learning activity

Activity	Number of Hours
Scheduled Learning	216
Directed Learning	216
Private Study	768
Total Hours	1200

Balance of Assessment

Assessment Mode	Percentage
Coursework	53%
Exam	47%
In-Person	0

Level 5

Workload

% time spent in timetabled teaching and learning activity

Activity	Number of Hours
Scheduled Learning	216
Directed Learning	216
Private Study	768
Total Hours	1200

Balance of Assessment

Assessment Mode	Percentage
Coursework	67%
Exam	25%
In-Person	8%

Level 6**Workload****% time spent in timetabled teaching and learning activity**

Activity	Number of Hours
Scheduled Learning	124
Directed Learning	264
Private Study	813
Total Hours	1200

Balance of Assessment

Assessment Mode	Percentage
Coursework	24%
Exam	44%
In-Person	32%