

LLM Law and Business

Programme specification document



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Overview

Awarding institution	Bath Spa University
Teaching institution	Bath Spa University
School	Bath Business School
Department	Bath Business School
Main campus	Newton Park
Other sites of delivery	Bath Law Clinic
Other Schools involved in delivery	n/a
Name of award(s)	Law and Business

Qualification (final award)	LLM
Intermediate awards available	PgCert, PgDip
Routes available	n/a
Duration of award	1 year full-time, 2 years part-time
Sandwich period	No
Modes of delivery offered	Campus-based
Regulatory Scheme[1]	Taught Postgraduate Framework
Professional, Statutory and Regulatory Body accreditation	None
Date of most recent PSRB approval (month and year)	n/a
Renewal of PSRB approval due (month and year)	n/a
UCAS code	n/a
Route code (SITS)	
Relevant QAA Subject Benchmark Statements (including date of publication)	QAA Subject Benchmark Statement: Law (November 2019) QAA Characteristics Statement: Master's Degree (February 2020) QAA Subject Benchmark Statement: Master's Degree in Business & Management (June 2015)
Date of most recent approval	June 2021
Date specification last updated	December 2022

[1]This should also be read in conjunction with the University's Qualifications Framework

Programme Overview

This programme will enable you to gain a career-enhancing postgraduate qualification that will equip you for a range of roles related to law, business and management. It offers a flexible learning experience across a range of law and business-related subject matter, providing a contemporary, practical, and innovative perspective that looks to the future and to the development of creative professionals and entrepreneurs. This programme sits alongside a wider framework of legal and business education within the Bath Business School.

You will undertake four core (15 credit) modules and select one project (60 credit) module option. In addition, you will select four (15 credit) options from various law, business and management modules. This learning structure will enhance your academic and organisational skills; develop new legal/ business skills and knowledge; and offer you the choice of a wide range of course options, including the opportunity to work with external partners to support clients with a range of legal problems, or alternatively, to undertake a supervised research project on a legal subject of your choice.

Programme Aims

1. Engagement in a challenging programme of postgraduate legal and business education that prepares you to flourish in domestic and global professional, legal and business environments.
2. Equip you with a systematic, critical and functional understanding across the disciplines of law, management and business, enabling you to innovate and create solutions in real world scenarios.
3. Provide a learning environment that enables you to develop in depth understanding of the complex domestic and global factors - economic, social, ethical, political, ecological, technological - that shape the development of the law, and business operations and transactions.
4. Make you an ethically aware and independent critical thinker who can evaluate and challenge the positive and negative effects of regulation and professional behaviour.
5. Develop your creativity, reflective skills and resilience through professional and personal development.
6. Encourage autonomous learning and original enquiry across a range of legal, business and management subject areas.
7. Prepare you to initiate, lead and respond to change in various organisational contexts.

Programme Intended Learning Outcomes (ILOs)

(NB These ILOs are at level 7 of the FHEQ)

A Subject-specific Skills and Knowledge

A1 Functioning legal knowledge: the ability to undertake effective legal research and to systematically, critically and effectively apply established legal rules and principles to a range of problems and scenarios;

A2 The external environment: the ability to critically analyse the complex domestic and global factors – economic, social, ethical, political, ecological, technological - that shape the development of the law and/or business operations and transactions;

A3 Comprehensive and conceptual understanding which enables you to critically evaluate a range of principles, rules, knowledge, practice, concepts, theories and methods relevant to law and/or business;

A4 Problem solving: innovative and critical application of knowledge and skills to produce realistic, practical and ethical solutions for a range of stakeholders.

B Cognitive and Intellectual Skills

B1 The ability to operate effectively, planning and executing a range of law and/or business-related activities and tasks in a logical, intelligent and professional manner, critically reflecting on performance and development;

B2 The ability to reflect systematically and constructively on diverse and complex legal, business, economic, ethical, social, and political dilemmas at a local, national and global level;

B3 The ability to manage relevant, and potentially complex information and evidence; make judgements on quality and gaps appropriately; and creatively and systematically translating judgements into sound decision-making, recommendations and artefacts in a legal and/or business context;

B4 The ability to undertake sustained independent research (either in a discrete area of legal practice or substantive law) that combines originality in the application of knowledge with a practical understanding of how established techniques of research and enquiry are used to create and interpret knowledge in the legal discipline.

C. Skills for Life and Work

C1 Autonomous learning (including time management) that demonstrates the exercise of initiative, personal responsibility and decision-making in complex and unpredictable situations and the independent learning ability required for continuing professional development

C2 Team working skills necessary to succeed in the global workplace, with an ability both to work in and lead teams effectively, as well as the ability to act autonomously in planning and implementing tasks at a professional or equivalent level

C3 Communication skills that show the ability to communicate clearly to specialist and non-specialist audiences knowledge at, or informed by, the forefront of the academic discipline, field of study or area of professional practice, and the conclusions drawn from dealing with complex issues systematically

C4 IT skills and digital literacy that demonstrate the ability to develop new skills to a high level and to approach complex issues systematically and creatively

Intermediate awards

PgCert Intended Learning Outcomes

A. Subject-specific Skills and Knowledge

A1-4

B. Cognitive and Intellectual Skills

B1-3

C. Skills for Life and Work

C1-4

PgDip Intended Learning Outcomes

A. Subject-specific Skills and Knowledge

A1-4

B. Cognitive and Intellectual Skills

B1-3

C. Skills for Life and Work

C1-4

Programme content

This programme comprises the following modules

Key:

Core = C

Required = R

Required* = R*

Optional = O

Not available for this status = N/A

If a particular status is greyed out, it is not offered for this programme.

Subject offered as single and/or joint programme

LLM Law and Business				Status	
Level	Code	Title	Credits	Single	Joint
7	LAW7101-15	Legal Systems, Research and Skills	15	C	
7	LAW7201-15	Commercial Law	15	C	
7	LAW7107-15	Business Law and Practice	15	C	
7	BM7203-15	Leading Change and Innovation	15	C	
7	LAW7103-15	Obligations and Dispute Resolution	15	O	
7	LAW7202-15	Employment Law	15	O	
7	LAW7203-15	The Professional Lawyer	15	O	
7	LAW7204-15	Cyberlaw	15	O	
7	LAW7205-15	Entertainment, Media and Intellectual Property Law	15	O	
7	BM7020-15	Managing People	15	O	
7	BM7032-15	Advanced Academic and Business Skills	15	O	
7	BM7046-15	Sustainability	15	O	
7	BM7202-15	Strategic Management	15	O	
7	BM7204-15	Governance and Risk Management	15	O	
7	BM7206-15	Corporate Financial Management	15	O	
7	BM7302-15	Digital Marketing	15	O	
7	BM7301-15	Strategic Brand Management	15	O	
7	LAW7109-60	Legal Clinic	60	R*	
7	LAW7110-60	Legal Research Project	60	R*	

Assessment methods

A range of summative assessment tasks will be used to test the Intended Learning Outcomes in each module. These are indicated in the attached assessment map which shows which tasks are used in which modules.

Students will be supported in their development towards summative assessment by appropriate formative exercises.

Please note: if you choose an optional module from outside this programme, you may be required to undertake a summative assessment task that does not appear in the assessment grid here in order to pass that module.

Work experience and placement opportunities

There will be opportunities for practical work experience and/or engagement with regional businesses via the Legal Clinic and Legal Research Project modules. There will also be opportunities for wider engagement with relevant stakeholders during curricular and co-curricular activities like debating and mooting.

Additional Costs Table

Module Code & Title	Type of Cost	Cost

Graduate Attributes

	Bath Spa Graduates...	In LLM Law and Business, we enable this...
1	Will be employable: equipped with the skills necessary to flourish in the global workplace, able to work in and lead teams	Offering opportunities for work-related experience and developing transferable skills appropriate for future legal, professional and business practice.
2	Will be able to understand and manage complexity, diversity and change	Working in multicultural teams on diverse and complex problems and issues, you will learn how to identify, plan and implement solutions, decisions and judgements to effect change.
3	Will be creative: able to innovate and to solve problems by working across disciplines as professional or artistic practitioners	Working across legal, business and management related disciplines, you will learn to think critically and creatively to solve problems and implement solutions in a range of real-world scenarios.
4	Will be digitally literate: able to work at the interface of creativity and technology	Enabling you to engage with a range of digital resources across the programme, including skills simulations, online assessments and using multimedia to

		present your ideas.
5	Will be internationally networked: either by studying abroad for part of the their programme, or studying alongside students from overseas	Operating in a multicultural scholarly environment and working with students from different countries and cultures, you will develop your intercultural awareness and global network.
6	Will be creative thinkers, doers and makers	Enabling you to be creative, exercise sound judgement; identifying and solving client focused and business-related problems; weighing up options, evaluating risk; providing advice and recommending appropriate solutions and options.
7	Will be critical thinkers: able to express their ideas in written and oral form, and possessing information literacy	Armed with theoretical knowledge and practical skills, you will identify issues, apply relevant principles, rules, theories and methods to solve problems, offer advice and develop solutions.
8	Will be ethically aware: prepared for citizenship in a local, national and global context	Developing your awareness of the connections between law and morality; and the importance of ethics in business, law and professional practice.

Modifications

Module-level modifications

Code	Title	Nature of modification	Date(s) of approval and approving bodies	Date modification comes into effect
BM7032-15	Advanced Academic and Business Skills	Assessment modification	approved by Curriculum Committee 16th June 2021	2021/22
BM7032-15	Advanced Academic and Business Skills	Assessment modification	approved by Curriculum Committee 15th June 2022	2022/23
LAW71 01-15	Legal Systems, Research and Skills	Assessment modification	Curriculum Approval Panel March 2023	2024/25

Programme-level modifications

Nature of modification	Date(s) of approval and approving bodies	Date modification comes into effect
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Attached as appendices:

1. Programme structure diagram
2. Map of module outcomes to level/programme outcomes
3. Assessment map
4. Module descriptors

Appendix 1: Programme Structure Diagram – LLM Law and Business

Full-Time (One Year)		
Level 7		
Trimester 1	Trimester 2	Trimester 3
Core Modules		
LAW7101-15 Legal Systems, Research and Skills	LAW7107-15 Business Law and Practice	
LAW7201-15 Commercial Law (C)	BM7203-15 Leading Change and Innovation	
Required* Modules		
		LAW7109-60 Legal Clinic

		LAW7110-60 Legal Research Project
Optional Modules		
LAW7103-15 Obligations and Dispute Resolution	LAW7203-15 The Professional Lawyer	
LAW7202-15 Employment Law	LAW7204-15 Cyberlaw	
BM7202-15 Strategic Management	LAW7205-15 Entertainment, Media and Intellectual Property Law	
BM7204-15 Governance and Risk Management	BM7020-15 Managing People	
BM7301-15 Strategic Brand Management	BM7046-15 Sustainability	
BM7302- 15 Digital Marketing	BM7206-15 Corporate Financial Management	
BM7032-15 Advanced Academic and Business Skills*		
<p>Rule Notes: Students must choose 1 x 60-credit R* module and 4 x 15-credit Optional modules.</p> <p>*BM7032-15 Advanced Academic and Business Skills is recommended for International students whose first language is <u>not</u> English.</p>		

Appendix 2: Map of Intended Learning Outcomes

Level	Module Code	Module Title	Status (C,R,R*,O)[4]	Intended Learning Outcomes											
				Subject-specific Skills and Knowledge				Cognitive and Intellectual Skills				Skills for Life and Work			
				A1	A2	A3	A4	B1	B2	B3	B4	C1	C2	C3	C4
7	LAW7101-15	Legal Systems, Research and Skills	C	X	X	X		X	X			X	X	X	X
7	LAW7201-15	Commercial Law	C	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X
7	LAW7107-15	Business Law and Practice	C	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X
7	BM7203-15	Leading Change and Innovation	C		X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X
7	LAW7103-15	Obligations and Dispute Resolution	O	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X
7	LAW7202-15	Employment Law	O	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X
7	LAW7203-15	The Professional Lawyer	O	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X
7	LAW7204-15	Cyberlaw	O	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X
7	LAW7205-15	Entertainment, Media and Intellectual Property Law	O	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X
7	BM7020-15	Managing People	O		X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X
7	BM7032-15	Advanced Academic and Business Skills	O			X		X				X	X	X	X
7	BM7046-15	Sustainability	O		X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X
7	BM7202-15	Strategic Management	O		X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X

7	BM7204-15	Governance and Risk Management	O		X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X
7	BM7206-15	Corporate Financial Management	O		X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X
7	BM7302-15	Digital Marketing	O		X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X
7	BM7301-15	Strategic Brand Management	O		X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X
7	LAW7109-60	Legal Clinic	R*	X	X			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
7	LAW7110-60	Legal Research Project	R*	X	X	X				X	X	X	X		X

[4] C = Core; R = Required; R* = Required*; O = Optional

Appendix 3: Map of Summative Assessment Tasks by Module

Level	Module Code	Module Title	Status (C,R,R*,O)[5]	Assessment method											
				Coursework				Practical			Written Examination				
				Case Study	Dissertation	Essay	Report	Practical Project	Presentation	Portfolio	Time Constrained Assessment	Written Assessment			
7	LAW7101-15	Legal Systems, Research and Skills	C			X									
7	LAW7201-15	Commercial Law	C				X								
7	LAW7107-15	Business Law and Practice	C				X								
7	BM7203-15	Leading Change and Innovation	C				X								
7	LAW7103-15	Obligations and Dispute Resolution	O									X			
7	LAW7202-15	Employment Law	O			X									
7	LAW7203-15	The Professional Lawyer	O	X											
7	LAW7204-15	Cyberlaw	O					X							
7	LAW7205-15	Entertainment, Media and Intellectual Property Law	O				X								
7	BM7020-15	Managing People	O				X								
7	BM7032-15	Advanced Academic and Business Skills	O												X
7	BM7046-15	Sustainability	O				X								
7	BM7202-15	Strategic Management	O				X								
7	BM7204-15	Governance and Risk Management	O	X											
7	BM7206-15	Corporate Financial Management	O				X								
7	BM7302-15	Digital Marketing	O					X							
7	BM7301-15	Strategic Brand Management	O				X								

7	LAW71 09-60	Legal Clinic	R*							X		
7	LAW71 10-60	Legal Research Project	R*		X							

[5] C = Core; R = Required; R* = Required*; O = Optional