

Module Specification

Professional Ethics

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Part 1: Information

Module title: Professional Ethics

Module code: UJXTSX-5-M

Level: Level 7

For implementation from: 2023-24

UWE credit rating: 5

ECTS credit rating: 2.5

Faculty: Faculty of Business & Law

Department: FBL Dept of Law

Partner institutions: None

Delivery locations: Not in use for Modules

Field: Law - non modular

Module type: Module

Pre-requisites: None

Excluded combinations: None

Co-requisites: None

Continuing professional development: No

Professional, statutory or regulatory body requirements: None

Part 2: Description

Overview: Not applicable

Features: Not applicable

Educational aims: The purpose of the module is equip students with the requisite knowledge and skill to be able to understand and appreciate the core professional

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values which underpin practice at the Bar of England and Wales, particularly the

additional moral responsibilities held by the profession.

Outline syllabus: The module covers the Core Duties applicable to barristers and

the accompanying raft of rules and guidance, which govern their professional

conduct. The module considers the ethical conduct and procedural protocols to be

adopted in situations of difficulty and the subjects and themes explored are taken

from the Bar Standards Board Handbook, which is the core text for this module.

Part 3: Teaching and learning methods

Teaching and learning methods: The module is taught via seminars and podcasts

involving the discussion of pre-prepared questions and unseen exam-style

questions; face-to-face and on line lectures and on line exam-style questions.

Module Learning outcomes: On successful completion of this module students will

achieve the following learning outcomes.

MO1 Evidence comprehensive knowledge of ethical standards.

MO2 Apply principles of the Code of Conduct to in order to navigate a

considered response to ethical issues arising in practice.

MO3 Analyse ethical problems which appear in situations likely to arise in

practice.

MO4 Evaluate appropriate approaches to ethical dilemmas frequently met in

practice, balancing conflicting principles.

Hours to be allocated: 50

Contact hours:

Independent study/self-guided study = 33 hours

Face-to-face learning = 17 hours

Total = 50

Reading list: The reading list for this module can be accessed at

readinglists.uwe.ac.uk via the following link https://uwe.rl.talis.com/index.html

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Part 4: Assessment

Assessment strategy: Summative assessment will comprise a 2.5 hour online

examination of Multiple Choice Questions

/Single Best Answer style questions. (Format as approved by the BSB).

There will be a number of opportunities for students to engage in formative assessment throughout the module. A practice assessment will be internally set and will be undertaken in timed and invigilated conditions. Students will be required to undertake a 1-hour informal 'spot test' towards the end of the module in order to provide and additional opportunity for feedback.

Assessment components:

Examination (Online) (First Sit)

Description: Online Time-constrained Examination (Professional Body Requirement)

Weighting: 100 %

Final assessment: Yes

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested: MO1, MO2, MO3, MO4

Examination (Online) (Resit)

Description: Online Time-constrained Examination (Professional Body Requirement)

Weighting: 100 %

Final assessment: Yes

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested: MO1, MO2, MO3, MO4

Part 5: Contributes towards

This module contributes towards the following programmes of study:

Bar Training Course [Frenchay] LLM 2023-24

Bar Training Course [Frenchay] LLM 2023-24

Bar Training Course {Two Part} [Frenchay] PGDip 2023-24