



Module Specification

Commercial Law

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Part 1: Information

Module title: Commercial Law

Module code: UJXTTU-15-M

Level: Level 7

For implementation from: 2023-24

UWE credit rating: 15

ECTS credit rating: 7.5

College: College of Business and Law

School: CBL Bristol Law School

Partner institutions: None

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 to provide students with an understanding of the core aspects of Commercial Law, which will build on and develop students understanding of Functioning Legal Knowledge of Contract Law and skills associated with commercial law in practice (which they will have initially

studied within the compulsory Programme modules of Foundations of Legal Knowledge 1 and the 6 Legal Skills).

Outline syllabus: Students will understand core principles of Commercial Law, its context and development from the law and practice of merchants and the market place; its interrelation with other areas of law and its flexibility. The role of a commercial solicitor and how to develop the commercial awareness that clients require. This will include revision of basic contract law principles, introduction to the Sale of Goods Act 1979 and Consumer Rights Act 2015 and other core legal principles , including the law governing the sale of goods over the internet.;

The module builds on core skills acquired in the compulsory modules, developing students' skills of evaluating a case, analysing complex areas of law applied to detailed factual scenarios; synthesis and application of knowledge, and the ability to reach autonomous, competent decisions.

Part 3: Teaching and learning methods

Teaching and learning methods: The module is taught via interactive knowledge and skills workshops which will include self-study preparation and research in order to acquire knowledge and understanding; a mixture of individual and group work centred on problem-based learning, involving management of information, analysis of complex facts and application of knowledge.

Students will also be expected to Draft and amend legal documents, often involving the use of precedents, to demonstrate synthesis and application of knowledge, and the ability to reach autonomous, competent decisions. Additionally, students will be expected to review topics (where ideas can be pooled and debated) and critically self-evaluate their work.

Module Learning outcomes: On successful completion of this module students will achieve the following learning outcomes.

MO1 Develop a critical understanding of core principles of Commercial Law , including relevant ethical and professional conduct issues

MO2 Interpret and evaluate a set of facts, utilise correct legal knowledge to draft a document which is legally correct.

MO3 Create a legal document using clear, precise, concise and acceptable language, which is appropriately and logically structured.

MO4 Apply the law comprehensively to the client's situation, identifying any ethical and professional conduct issues

MO5 Assimilate information rapidly and work under strict time pressure

Hours to be allocated: 150

Contact hours:

Independent study/self-guided study = 110 hours

Face-to-face learning = 40 hours

Total = 150

Reading list: The reading list for this module can be accessed at readinglists.uwe.ac.uk via the following link

Part 4: Assessment

Assessment strategy: A portfolio consisting of an analysis of a set of papers and researching relevant legal issues; and appropriately drafting documentation, to give effect to a set of instructions.

Assessment tasks:

Portfolio (First Sit)

Description: 1 x legal research with legal drafting exercise

Weighting: 100 %

Final assessment: Yes

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested: MO1, MO2, MO3, MO4, MO5

Portfolio (Resit)

Description: 1 x legal research with legal drafting exercise

Weighting: 100 %

Final assessment: Yes

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested: MO1, MO2, MO3, MO4, MO5

Part 5: Contributes towards

This module contributes towards the following programmes of study:

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