



Module Specification

Obligations I (Contract Law)

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Part 1: Information

Module title: Obligations I (Contract Law)

Module code: UJXTU8-20-3

Level: Level 6

For implementation from: 2023-24

UWE credit rating: 20

ECTS credit rating: 10

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:

The module will examine the fundamental principles of contract law from formation to termination including remedies and application of the law to a diverse range of practical situations developing the skills of research critical analysis evaluation and application.

Features: Not applicable

Educational aims: The aim of this module is to enable students to develop a systematic understanding of contract law and to develop their legal skills within this subject context.

Outline syllabus: The indicative syllabus for this module includes:

An Introduction to the Law of Contract

Offer and Acceptance

Intention to Create Legal Relations

Consideration and Promissory Estoppel

Terms (incorporation and interpretation)

Regulation of terms (exclusion clauses, limitation clauses and unfair contract terms)

Misrepresentation

Duress

Discharge of the contract

Frustration

Breach of Contract

Remedies

Part 3: Teaching and learning methods

Teaching and learning methods: The learning on this online course will take place through a variety of modes including directed independent learning, self-directed learning, and group activities. Students will need to adopt a proactive approach to the course and engage with the full offer of learning opportunities to ensure successful achievement of the learning outcomes.

Directed independent learning includes engaging with resources such as recorded lectures, videos, and reading as well as guided activities for example preparing notes, case studies and worksheets. Self-directed learning includes activities such as reading, note-taking, research, and exploring resources. Group activities may include discussions, legal debate, collaborative working, and peer learning.

The module is designed through the recorded lectures and on line groups sessions to offer an authentic learning experience in which students will apply theoretical principles they have researched and studied to practical scenarios. For example, students may be expected to be able to prepare and present brief outlines of and/or commentary on the relevant law; their analysis of specific problems and their 'solutions' to specific case studies in the small group sessions. They will also engage in collaborative research and experience presenting legal arguments in the context of a practical case scenario.

Hours to be allocated: 200

Contact hours:

Independent study/self-guided study = 163 hours

Online directed learning = 37 hours

Total = 200

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

MO1 Demonstrate a detailed knowledge and understanding of the field of contract law, including key theories, principles and debates.

MO2 Apply legal research skills effectively, enabling identification and retrieval of relevant information from a diverse range of legal sources.

MO3 Create coherent legal arguments through appropriate analysis, critical evaluation and synthesis of relevant legal principles and arguments.

MO4 Demonstrate clear and effective written communication skills in the context of contract law.

Hours to be allocated: 200

Contact hours:

Independent study/self-guided study = 163 hours

E-learning/online learning = 37 hours

Total = 200

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

<https://rl.talis.com/3/uwe/lists/5EB13DAA-8943-AC3D-CE7D-C3DBD43B6303.html>

Part 4: Assessment

Assessment strategy: Assessment strategy: Obligations I (Contract Law) is taught and assessed in the same Teaching Block as Obligations II (Law of Tort), Criminal Law and Public Law.

Summative Assessment is through a 24 hour online examination at the end of the Teaching Block. The examination requires students to adapt their knowledge and demonstrate their understanding of the law of contract applying legal principles to problem scenarios in which they evaluate, analyse, and apply the law.

Formative Assessment is an online examination and forms part of the students' preparation for the summative assessment.

Assessment components:

Examination (Online) (First Sit)

Description: A Final online examination of 24 hours

100% weighting

Weighting: 100 %

Final assessment: Yes

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested: MO1, MO2, MO3, MO4

Examination (Online) (Resit)

Description: A Final online examination of 24 hours

100% weighting

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:

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