

# **Module Specification**

## International Contracts Law

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### **Part 1: Information**

Module title: International Contracts Law

Module code: UJGUQL-15-M

Level: Level 7

For implementation from: 2024-25

**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 Postgraduate (Programmes)

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:** This module will explore contract law as it applies to international transactions, including contracts involving the shipping of goods between countries. It develops an appreciation of the complexity of balancing rights of parties based in different countries. Students will develop a critical understanding of how domestic rules integrate with international principles and various provisions in conventions.

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The assessment regime will provide students with the opportunity to explore international contracts, developing research and problem-solving skills.

**Features:** Opportunities to develop individual academic skills, research skills, and problem-solving skills.

**Educational aims:** This module will provide students with the opportunity to acquire a systematic understanding of the Law in this area.

Students will develop the ability to research and critically analyse the Law in this area, and to acquire knowledge and understanding, as related to the Law in this area, applying this in scholarly contexts.

Communication and problem-solving skills will be advanced.

**Outline syllabus:** The syllabus of the module reflects contemporary developments, law, or interests in the field, and so is subject to change. The following is an indicative list of topics to be explored:

Introduction to the Sale of Goods

International Sales Contract - Free-on-Board Contracts

International Sales Contract - Cost, Insurance and Freight Contracts

Bills of Lading

Documentary credits

UN Convention on Contracts for the International Sale of Goods (CISG)

## Part 3: Teaching and learning methods

**Teaching and learning methods:** Lectures and 'spotlight' learning are delivered via online recordings. Self-guided independent learning is facilitated via tasks which

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codify and formatively assess understanding and skills. Reading lists are provided for every study unit. Opportunities to explore topics and substantiate understanding with a tutor and/or peers is provided via asynchronous discussion boards, virtual

learning environments, and other media.

Students are required to engage with a wide range of primary and secondary legal

and non-legal sources to further their understanding and skills.

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

achieve the following learning outcomes.

**MO1** Exhibit ability to legally interpret international contracts in relation to

relevant contexts.

**MO2** Demonstrate a critical understanding of how domestic rules integrate with

international principles and conventional provisions.

MO3 Demonstrate an ability to critically research and analyse different areas of

international trade transactions.

Hours to be allocated: 150

Contact hours:

Independent study/self-guided study = 126 hours

E-learning/online learning = 24 hours

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/modules/ujguql-

**15-m.html** 

Part 4: Assessment

Assessment strategy: The module assessment is an individual written assessment

of a maximum of 3000 words.

This will enable students to demonstrate module learning outcomes by working

individually to undertake research, and demonstrate research skill and a systematic

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The written assessment format allows students to demonstrate written communication skills.

Formative assessment opportunities will be as made available as and where appropriate for the module.

Referral assessments are of the same format/length as first attempts.

#### Assessment tasks:

### Written Assignment (First Sit)

Description: Individual written assessment of a maximum of 3000 words.

Weighting: 100 %

Final assessment: Yes

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested: MO1, MO2, MO3

#### Written Assignment (Resit)

Description: Individual written assessment of a maximum of 3000 words.

Weighting: 100 %

Final assessment: Yes

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested: MO1, MO2, MO3

### Part 5: Contributes towards

This module contributes towards the following programmes of study:

International Commercial Law [UWE Online] LLM 2024-25