

Module Specification

Bar Professional Practice

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Part 1: Information

Module title: Bar Professional Practice

Module code: UJXTTD-30-M

Level: Level 7

For implementation from: 2024-25

UWE credit rating: 30

ECTS credit rating: 15

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: Continuing Professional Development Portfolio 2024-25,

Research & Practice Portfolio 2024-25

Co-requisites: None

Continuing professional development: No

Professional, statutory or regulatory body requirements: None

Part 2: Description

Overview: Not applicable

Features: Where students are undertaking UJXTRE-15-M, Bar Professional

Development, the theme of their project and the activities reflected upon cannot be

the same

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Educational aims: This module provides students with the opportunity to evidence that work/work related experience relevant to their legal studies and in a professional environment has initiated a personal and professional development process that can and will continue.

It requires students to analyse and reflect critically on a number of episodes of professional practice and the professional requirements of contemporary workplaces in the legal sector.

Guidelines on the volume, nature and location of the work experience that will be acceptable will given by the Module Leader, but strong complementarity between discrete episodes, and the potential for reflective insight and comparative understanding to emerge over an extended period of time, will be expected.

Outline syllabus: Whilst the work of each student will be different, and cannot be predicted in advance, the core academic content will generally involve some or all of the following:-

Workplaces – professional practice – professionalism

Management, supervision and mentoring – performance review and evaluation – professional development planning

Workplace learning – reflective practice

Codes of practice and professional standards – legal, social, ethical and professional issues

Global awareness, sustainability and ethical practice

Sector trends and developments

Part 3: Teaching and learning methods

Teaching and learning methods: Activities which may be undertaken by students to form the basis of critical analysis and reflection will include (but not be limited to)

Legal employment

Legal work experience (typically through a placement scheme run in conjunction with Bristol Law Society)

Pro bono work experience (whether as part of a scheme organised by the University or independently)

Undertaking accredited mediation training offered through the University

Participating in an inline legal practice simulation offered by the University

Participating in mediation/arbitration competitions offered by/through the University

Attending a region of careers talks and related activities such as networking events

Depending upon the nature of activity, these may be undertaken prior to/during the students study of the Masters

in Bar Professional Training Studies

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

MO1 critically evaluate their own work experience and the development of their own professional skills; reflecting on how their development during their programme of study and through extracurricular activities has enhanced their employability and career opportunities

MO2 provide evidence and analysis of skills and knowledge gained during their academic programme; demonstrating how these may be applied to, and/or enhanced, through professional practice;

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MO3 demonstrate understanding of legal, social, ethical and professional issues

as applied to their professional sector;

MO4 demonstrate reflective practice as applied to their own personal and

professional development; identifying how they will synthesise their professional

experience and academic reflection in order to create their own continuing

professional development plan.

Hours to be allocated: 300

Contact hours:

Independent study/self-guided study = 300 hours

Total = 0

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

Part 4: Assessment

Assessment strategy: Students will be required to develop and submit a project

report (6000 - 8000 words). The aim of the report is to provide a comprehensive

critical review and reflective analysis of their work experiences and demonstrate

attainment of all module learning outcomes. Employer feedback will be required as

evidence of the work experience.

Generic guidelines on content and presentation will be provided in the Module

Handbook, and this will be supplemented by supervisor advice and formative

feedback.

The module is graded as a pass/fail

Assessment tasks:

Project (First Sit)

Description: Project Report

Weighting: 0 %

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Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested: MO1, MO2, MO3, MO4

Project (Resit)

Description: Project Report

Weighting: 0 %

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 2024-25

Bar Training Course [Frenchay] LLM 2023-24

Bar Training Course [Frenchay] LLM 2022-23