



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: 2026-27

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 2026-27,
Research & Practice Portfolio 2026-27

Co-requisites: None

Continuing professional development: No

Professional, statutory or regulatory body requirements: None

Part 2: Description

Overview: This module provides students with the opportunity to evidence their work/work related experience relevant to their legal studies and in a professional environment that will initiate a personal and professional development process that graduates will take into their future professional practice.

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.

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

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 be 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 own workplace experience and professional skills developed to date; reflecting on how these experiences and skills have shaped an evolving professional identity and specific career aspirations.

MO2 Evidence and analyse the skills and knowledge developed during the academic programme; demonstrating how these may be integrated with, applied to, and enhanced or challenged by, professional practice.

MO3 Critically analyse legal, social, ethical and professional issues relevant to the legal sector, evaluating their implications for contemporary legal practice and personal career development.

MO4 Apply reflective practice frameworks to critically examine personal and professional development, identifying strengths, learning needs, and areas for further growth in line with professional standards.

Hours to be allocated: 300

Contact hours:

Independent study/self-guided study = 268 hours

Face-to-face learning = 32 hours

Reading list: The reading list for this module can be accessed at [readinglists.uwe.ac.uk](https://uwe.rl.talis.com/index.html) 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 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 %

Final assessment: Yes

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 2025-26

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