



Module Specification

Globalisation and the Law

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Part 1: Information

Module title: Globalisation and the Law

Module code: UJGUP9-15-M

Level: Level 7

For implementation from: 2023-24

UWE credit rating: 15

ECTS credit rating: 7.5

Faculty: Faculty of Business & Law

Department: FBL Dept of Law

Partner institutions: None

Delivery locations: Not in use for Modules

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: Please see Learning Outcomes and Syllabus Outline.

Features: Not applicable

Educational aims: Please see the Learning Outcomes.

In addition, students will also develop the ability to work in groups.

Outline syllabus: The following is an indicative list of topics that will be explored:

Globalisation: Actors of the Global World;

International investment law;

Business and human rights;

The exact content of these workshops may be changed to reflect more recent developments or interests in this subject area.

Part 3: Teaching and learning methods

Teaching and learning methods: The main focus of teaching and learning on the taught LLM programme is through independent research and debate in the context of 2-hour-length weekly workshops.

The workshop-based approach to teaching and learning is designed to enable the student to develop the independent research, analytical and reflective skills required for successful completion of a postgraduate level course.

Students will need to complete the necessary preparatory reading in advance of each workshop. The workshops will build on this knowledge as students will be expected to raise, critically assess and defend different points of view on controversial issues in class and to make presentations to the class on their own and in groups.

Scheduled contact is supplemented by independent learning structured around reading and questions set in advance.

In addition, students are encouraged to attend seminars organised by the Global Crime and Justice Research Group.

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

MO1 Be able to appraise/research legal frameworks in relation to international investment law and business and human rights.

MO2 An ability to critique the socio-legal context of the positive and negative impacts of (economic) globalisation.

MO3 Be able to write in a focused, clear, persuasive manner, which is well-supported using primary/secondary sources.

MO4 Ability to analyse current case studies relating to the impact of multinational corporations in society in order to evaluate their relative influence on globalisation.

Hours to be allocated: 150

Contact hours:

Independent study/self-guided study = 126 hours

Face-to-face learning = 24 hours

Total = 150

Reading list: The reading list for this module can be accessed at [readinglists.uwe.ac.uk](https://uwe.rl.talis.com/modules/ujgup9-15-m.html) via the following link <https://uwe.rl.talis.com/modules/ujgup9-15-m.html>

Part 4: Assessment

Assessment strategy: Learning outcomes will be assessed by 1 element:

- 1 x independent written coursework (maximum of 2,500 words) (worth 100%).

There will be formative opportunities in workshops in order to 'scaffold' and prepare students in advance of the (above-stated) summative submission.

This coursework will be assessed early in the academic year/term i.e. within 7-8 weeks to as a precursor to the other courseworks on the LLM Programme. The idea

for the coursework is to provide an opportunity for feedback, so that students can develop their writing skills for their other modules.

The resit will comprise solely of a 2,500 word essay based on the topics studied throughout the semester.

Assessment questions will be set by tutors. The assessments require students to undertake independent research building on material covered in the workshop sessions.

The assessment questions for the written coursework is designed to test students' understanding of the topics covered in the workshop sessions, the extent to which they have engaged critically with complex materials presented in the module as well as their ability to conduct research in relation to the topics covered.

This will provide students with opportunities to present structured arguments, to recognise problems and identify solutions.

The coursework assessments will require students to demonstrate the ability to write clearly and precisely within a tight word limit. It also requires students to be selective and focused, which is a key skill they will need to hone for their dissertations later on in the LLM Programme.

Formative assessment opportunities are provided in workshops throughout the module, particularly in advance of submission - students will be asked to submit a potential essay plan in one of the sessions. Also, feed-forward is provided throughout the module and this includes in-class discussion of relevant case studies.

Assessment components:

Written Assignment (First Sit)

Description: Independent written essay (2500 words)

Weighting: 100 %

Final assessment: Yes

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested: MO1, MO2, MO3, MO4

Written Assignment (Resit)

Description: Independent written essay (2500 words)

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:

Commercial Law [BIBM] LLM 2023-24

Commercial Law [Villa] LLM 2023-24

International Trade and Economic Law [Frenchay] LLM 2023-24

International Trade and Economic Law [FTU] LLM 2023-24

International Trade and Economic Law [HCMCUL] LLM 2023-24

Business Administration [Frenchay] MBA 2023-24

Commercial Law [Frenchay] LLM 2023-24

Environmental Law and Sustainable Development [Frenchay] LLM 2023-24

International Banking and Finance Law [Frenchay] LLM 2023-24

Business Administration [BIBM] MBA 2023-24

Business Administration [Villa] MBA 2023-24

International Law [Frenchay] LLM 2022-23