



Module Specification

Media Law and Ethics 2

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Part 1: Information

Module title: Media Law and Ethics 2

Module code: UABAYF-15-M

Level: Level 7

For implementation from: 2023-24

UWE credit rating: 15

ECTS credit rating: 7.5

Faculty: Faculty of Arts Creative Industries & Education

Department: ACE Dept of Creative & Cultural Industries

Partner institutions: None

Delivery locations: Bower Ashton Campus

Field: Broadcast and Journalism

Module type: Module

Pre-requisites: Media Law and Ethics 1 2023-24

Excluded combinations: None

Co-requisites: None

Continuing professional development: No

Professional, statutory or regulatory body requirements: None

Part 2: Description

Overview: Not applicable

Features: Not applicable

Educational aims: This module encourages students to further extend and apply the knowledge of ethics, legislative and regulatory frameworks developed in Media Law and Ethics 1.

Outline syllabus: They gain and understanding of and reflect upon laws and ethical codes that impact on journalistic practice including those enshrined in international rights documents, alongside the statutory laws that journalists are expected to know and observe.

Part 3: Teaching and learning methods

Teaching and learning methods: Scheduled learning:

Students will be required to attend scheduled lectures as well as seminars, workshops and visits, averaging 3 hours per week

Students will be taught by specialist lecturers from within UWE as well as guest lecturers with particular fields of expertise.

Students will be required to attend visits to crown, magistrates' and coroners' courts.

Independent learning:

Students will be required to undertake research for their portfolio as part of the assessment.

Students will need to spend time reading, viewing and listening to news output.

Students will be required to spend time reading set texts

Students can expect a total of 36 hours scheduled contact time for this module within the context of their other learning and teaching activities. This includes tutorials, lectures and seminars.

Contact time may also take a synchronous virtual form rather than face-to-face, through the use of email discussion groups, virtual learning environments (VLEs) and other technology-aided means.

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

MO1 Understand the UK legislative system especially as it applies to journalists and other media workers

MO2 Understand legal and normative concepts, such as human rights, privacy, and libel.

MO3 Recognise and critically analyse international media accountability systems and regulatory frameworks and their role in the relationship between state, citizen and journalist

Hours to be allocated: 150

Contact hours:

Independent study/self-guided study = 114 hours

Face-to-face learning = 36 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/uabayf-15-m.html) via the following link <https://uwe.rl.talis.com/modules/uabayf-15-m.html>

Part 4: Assessment

Assessment strategy: In the assessment students will be required to sit an exam in which they will be tested on their knowledge and understanding of the UK court system and a range of legal instruments and laws.

Assessment Criteria / (Relating to Learning Outcomes) / Source of Evidence

Understand how laws work and are applied (1) Exam

Know and understand the range of laws that apply to journalists (1, 2) Exam

Understand the UK court and legal system (3) Exam

Produce court reporting to a professional standard (3) Essay

Assessment components:

Examination (First Sit)

Description: Examination (3 hours)

Weighting: 70 %

Final assessment: No

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested: MO1, MO2, MO3

Written Assignment (First Sit)

Description: Essay 2,500 words

Weighting: 30 %

Final assessment: Yes

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested: MO1, MO2, MO3

Examination (Resit)

Description: Examination (3 hours)

Weighting: 70 %

Final assessment: No

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested: MO1, MO2, MO3

Written Assignment (Resit)

Description: Essay 2,500 words

Weighting: 30 %

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: