



## **Module Specification**

### **Civil Litigation**

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## Part 1: Information

**Module title:** Civil Litigation

**Module code:** UJXTST-35-M

**Level:** Level 7

**For implementation from:** 2023-24

**UWE credit rating:** 35

**ECTS credit rating:** 17.5

**Faculty:** Faculty of Business & Law

**Department:** FBL Dept of Law

**Partner institutions:** None

**Delivery locations:** Not in use for Modules

**Field:** Law - non modular

**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:** Not applicable

**Features:** Not applicable

**Educational aims:** The purpose of the module is to give students a sound understanding of how the civil courts operate in the disposal of the cases brought

before them, together with the general principles of alternative dispute resolution (ADR), adjudicative and non-adjudicative, and the court's approach to ADR.

**Outline syllabus:** The module covers the procedural aspects of civil litigation, from the commencement and service of proceedings to the allocation and active case and costs management of claims by the courts, through to an understanding of the factual and expert evidential issues involved in preparation for and during the civil trial process, the routes of appeal available to the unsuccessful party and the methods of enforcement available to the successful party.

In addition, it covers the principles of ADR, the roles and responsibilities of lawyers and parties in ADR, both in non – adjudicative ADR (early neutral evaluation, conciliation and mediation) and adjudicative ADR (arbitration and expert or neutral determination).

The subjects covered on the module are set out in detail in the syllabus provided from time to time by the Bar Standards Board.

### **Part 3: Teaching and learning methods**

**Teaching and learning methods:** The module is taught via seminars involving for example the discussion of pre-prepared questions and unseen exam-style questions; face-to-face and on line lectures and podcasts; and on line exam-style questions.

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

**MO1** Apply the civil procedural rules and principles to factual situations of a type frequently encountered in civil practice, to demonstrate an understanding of the operation and purpose of the civil procedural rules and principles

**MO2** Understand the importance of the key principles and factors of Alternative Dispute Resolution and the court's approach to it.

**MO3** Analyse and evaluate factual situations and arguments to identify those matters which are likely to be important for the purposes of giving legal advice or reaching final judgements.

**MO4** Evaluate different arguments and solutions which might present themselves in the context of ADR/and or a civil case.

**Hours to be allocated:** 350

**Contact hours:**

Independent study/self-guided study = 302 hours

Face-to-face learning = 48 hours

Total = 350

**Reading list:** The reading list for this module can be accessed at [readinglists.uwe.ac.uk](https://uwe.rl.talis.com/modules/ujxtst-35-m.html) via the following link <https://uwe.rl.talis.com/modules/ujxtst-35-m.html>

## **Part 4: Assessment**

**Assessment strategy:** The assessment of this module consists of one element made up of 2 papers(Part I and Part I) and is centrally set by the Bar Standards Board and is designed to test the outcomes in Part 4 below:

Part I - a 2 hour written examination comprising a combination of multiple choice and single best answer questions in a closed book assessment; and

Part II- a 2.5 hour written assessment comprising a combination of multiple choice and single best answer questions based on 4-8 rolling case scenarios in an open book assessment.

**Assessment components:**

**Examination** (First Sit)

Description: A1- Part I – a 2-hour closed book exam consisting of multiple choice and single best answer questions

A1 - Part II – A 2.5-hour open book exam consisting of multiple choice and single best answer questions based on 4 – 8 rolling case scenarios

Weighting: 100 %

Final assessment: Yes

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested: MO1, MO2, MO3, MO4

### **Examination (Resit)**

Description: A1- Part I – a 2-hour closed book exam consisting of multiple choice and single best answer questions

A1 - Part II – A 2.5-hour open book exam consisting of multiple choice and single best answer questions based on 4 – 8 rolling case scenarios

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:

Bar Training Course [Frenchay] LLM 2023-24

Bar Training Course {Two Part} [Frenchay] PGDip 2023-24

Bar Training Course [Frenchay] LLM 2022-23