



Programme Specification

Law with Criminology {Foundation} [Sep][SW][Frenchay][5yrs]

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Section 1: Key Programme Details

Part A: Programme Information

Programme title: Law with Criminology {Foundation} [Sep][SW][Frenchay][5yrs]

Highest award: LLB (Hons) Law with Criminology

Interim award: LLB Law with Criminology

Interim award: DipHE Law with Criminology

Interim award: CertHE Law with Criminology

Awarding institution: UWE Bristol

Affiliated institutions: Not applicable

Teaching institutions: UWE Bristol

Study abroad: No

Year abroad: No

Sandwich year: Yes

Credit recognition: No

Department responsible for the programme: FBL Dept of Law, Faculty of Business & Law

Contributing departments: Not applicable

Professional, statutory or regulatory bodies: Not applicable

Apprenticeship: Not applicable

Mode of delivery: Sandwich

Entry requirements: For the current entry requirements see the UWE public website.

For implementation from: 01 September 2018

Programme code: MM9H-SEP-SW-FR-MM19

Section 2: Programme Overview, Aims and Learning Outcomes

Part A: Programme Overview, Aims and Learning Outcomes

Overview: Students acquire knowledge of some of the Law's core areas and develop key skills and attributes for their future working lives. There are opportunities for a year on placement or study abroad, and participation in a significant range of extra-curricula activities including mooting, pro-bono work and Law student societies. Here, students mix with those on Professional Law courses. Criminology is a contemporary, multi-faceted and applied subject area. Criminology focuses on definitions and understandings of crime as well as criminal justice from a range of perspectives (victims, offenders, the state and institutions). Criminology, especially the criminology taught at UWE, focuses on theoretical learning as well as the application of this knowledge to real world situations.

Students are challenged in their ability to communicate, analyse and problem-solve, developing their intellectual capacity focusing on practical, enterprising and future-facing application within the legal arena and elsewhere. Consequentially, a Law and Criminology degree opens graduates up to a range of graduate level positions, including, in the criminal justice system and related charitable sectors.

Educational Aims: This programme enables students to be able to combine Law with Criminology in such a way as to provide them with an overview of some key areas of Criminology. Criminology and Law are complementary disciplines. The programme enables students to develop specialist knowledge and skills to meet the demands of the modern workplace both in law firms and more generally in the private and public sectors.

Programme Learning Outcomes:

On successful completion of this programme graduates will achieve the following learning outcomes.

Knowledge and Understanding

- A1. Depth of knowledge in a range of both black letter law and socio-legal studies.
- A2. All students are offered the opportunity to achieve a breadth of study of traditional law and developing legal subject areas which are likely to be of interest to a student of law and criminology.
- A3. Knowledge of legal values, principles and a substantial range of major legal concepts.
- A4. Knowledge of criminology subjects and principles and an understanding of practice.
- A5. The relevance of the disciplines of law, economics, accounting, business and management to professional life.

Intellectual Skills

- B1. Learning to research, analyse, critically evaluate and develop a technical and practical understanding of important legal and criminological concepts and principles.
- B2. Understanding the process of research - how to research and interpret and apply information from relevant legal materials such as case and statute law.
- B3. Developing a mature understanding of the areas of law and criminology studied.
- B4. Understanding the fast developing and organic nature of some areas of law.
- B5. Understanding of the nature of criminology research into the criminal justice system.

Subject/Professional Practice Skills

- C1. Challenges students to develop skills of oral argument.
- C2. Encourage students to identify appropriate evidence and to build and structure arguments in an appropriate and ethical manner.
- C3. Technical skills development is fostered through practical problem solving.

- C4. Develop a practical understanding of what happens in court by making a court visit and reflecting on the outcome and researching a specific legal role relevant to the case that they observed.
- C5. Deal specifically and practically with ethical professional issues.
- C6. The analysis of scenarios or research of topics which require the practical application of law to facts.
- C7. Criminology and Law modules develop practical contextual understanding.

Transferable Skills and other attributes

- D1. Research techniques
- D2. Report writing
- D3. Identifying issues and obtaining and summarizing appropriate and up to date legal information retrieved from electronic sources.
- D4. The ability to work successfully both independently and as part of a team
- D5. The ability to identify and use primary and secondary sources of law.
- D6. To show an understanding of legal and criminological principles
- D7. The ability to apply legal knowledge to practical problems of limited complexity in order to produce arguable solutions to concrete problems.
- D8. To demonstrate the flexibility of understanding required to recognize alternative conclusions to problems based upon an informed understanding.

Part B: Programme Structure

Year 1

The student must take 120 credits from the modules in Year 1.

Year 1 Compulsory Modules

The student must take 120 credits from the modules in Compulsory Modules.

Module Code	Module Title	Credit
UJUUL9-30-0	Becoming a Professional 2019-20	30

UMEDKL-30-0	Economics and Accounting for the Real World 2019-20	30
UJUUL7-30-0	Introduction to Law in a Social, Business and Global Context 2019-20	30
UMCDKK-30-0	Introduction to Organisation, Enterprise and Management 2019-20	30

Year 2

The student must take 120 credits from the modules in Year 2.

Year 2 Compulsory Modules

The student must take 120 credits from the modules in Compulsory Modules.

Module Code	Module Title	Credit
UJUTD3-30-1	Criminal Law 2020-21	30
UJUUKV-30-1	Foundations for Law 2020-21	30
UZSK9P-15-1	Introduction to Criminal Justice 2020-21	15
UZSNLD-30-1	Introduction to Criminological Theory 2020-21	30
UZSST9-15-1	Understanding Crime 2020-21	15

Year 3

The student must take 120 credits from the modules in Year 3.

Year 3 Optional Modules A

All students may choose 90 credits from Optional Modules A (Law)

Students seeking a QLD must take the following modules:

UJUTN3-30-1 Law of Contract

UJUUKT-30-2 Land Law

UJUUKU-30-2 Law of Torts

Module Code	Module Title	Credit
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UJUUL5-30-2	Criminal Procedure and Punishment 2021-22	30
USSJT4-30-2	Forensic Evidence 2021-22	30
UJUUKT-30-2	Land Law 2021-22	30
UJUTN3-30-1	Law of Contract 2021-22	30
UJUUKU-30-2	Law of Torts 2021-22	30
UJUUFJ-30-2	Migration, Law and Policy 2021-22	30
UJUJW-30-2	Sexual Offences and Offending: Criminal Justice Responses 2021-22	30

Year 3 Optional Modules B

All students must choose 30 option credits from Criminology:

Module Code	Module Title	Credit
UZSNMX-30-2	Angels or Demons? : Understanding and Managing Youth Offending 2021-22	30
UZSY7E-15-2	Contemporary Issues in Policing 2021-22	15
UZSY75-15-2	Crime, Media and Culture 2021-22	15
UZSNNC-30-2	Criminal Psychology 2021-22	30
UZSY79-30-2	Difference': 'race', Ethnicity and Diversity in Contemporary Society 2021-22	30
UZSNR8-30-2	Drugs, Crime & Society 2021-22	30
UZSKFT-15-2	Drugs, Crime and Society 2021-22	15
UZSY74-15-2	Prisons 2021-22	15

Year 4

Year Out: Placement

Students taking the sandwich (SW) programme must complete a Work Placement (a minimum of 40 weeks in employment) normally in the legal field.

Students may elect to take a year working in an organisation for normally forty weeks, such placement normally to be sourced by the student themselves. UWE professional services may assist with this process. Students may, at their election, choose to study for a year in a partner university of UWE subject to the approval of the Programme Manager.

Students will, during this placement or study year, undertake a 15 credit module - Placement Learning (UMCDN5-15-3). This will be complemented on their return by undertaking a 15 credit Law Project (UJUUK3-15-3), conducting further research and writing a report based around the placement.

To be eligible for Placement students must have passed a minimum of 330 credits. Where students make this choice they are advised to take 30 fewer law credits at level three as these 30 credits count towards the total required to complete the programme.

Year 4 Compulsory Modules

The student must take 15 credits from the modules in Compulsory Modules.

Module Code	Module Title	Credit
UMCDN5-15-3	Placement Learning 2022-23	15

Year 5

The student must take 105 credits from the modules in Year 5.

Year 5 Compulsory Modules

Students on the Sandwich programme must take the following module:

Module Code	Module Title	Credit
UJUUK3-15-3	Law Project 2023-24	15

Year 5 Optional Modules A

Students taking the Sandwich programme are advised to take 30 fewer law credits at level three as these 30 credits count towards the total required to complete the programme.

Students therefore may choose 60 credits from Optional Modules A (Law)

Module Code	Module Title	Credit
UJUUL6-30-3	Constitutional Law in Context 2023-24	30
UJUUL4-30-3	Criminal Justice 2023-24	30
UMCDKD-15-3	Cross Cultural Learning and Development 2023-24	15
UJUTA7-30-3	Dissertation 2023-24	30
UJUTK4-30-3	Equity and Trusts 2023-24	30
UJUTG7-30-3	European Human Rights 2023-24	30
UJUUKS-30-3	European Union Law 2023-24	30
UJUTK7-30-3	Family Law 2023-24	30
UJUTA9-30-3	Gender and the Law 2023-24	30
UJUUL3-30-3	Information Technology Law 2023-24	30
UJUTD8-30-3	Law of Evidence 2023-24	30
UJUULA-30-3	Law of Financial Crime and Regulation 2023-24	30
UJUTAA-30-3	Legal Process 2023-24	30
UJUTNB-30-3	Medical Law and Practice 2023-24	30

Year 5 Optional Modules B

All students must choose 30 credits from Optional Modules B (Criminology Modules)

Module Code	Module Title	Credit
UZSY7A-15-3	Risk and Risk Management 2023-24	15
UZSY7D-30-3	Gender, Sex and Social Control 2023-24	30
UZSY7C-30-3	Hate Crime: Offending, Victimisation and Policing 2023-24	30
UZSKFU-15-3	Illegal Drugs: Problems, Markets and Policy 2023-24	15
UZSSJN-30-3	Protest, Policing and Public Order 2023-24	30
UZSY7B-15-3	Punishment and Human Rights 2023-24	15
UZSNQV-15-3	Terrorism 2023-24	15
UZSNQG-15-3	Victims and Victimology 2023-24	15

Part C: Higher Education Achievement Record (HEAR) Synopsis

Criminology is a contemporary, multi-faceted and applied subject area. Criminology focuses on definitions and understandings of crime as well as criminal justice from a range of perspectives (victims, offenders, the state and institutions). Criminology, especially the criminology taught at UWE, focuses on theoretical learning as well as the application of this knowledge to real world situations. Throughout their degree criminology students will experience a range of learning (online/offline), teaching (lectures, seminars, workshops and TEL) and assessment (essays, exams, case studies, presentations) techniques. Students also acquire knowledge of some of the Law's core areas and develop key skills and attributes for their future working lives. There are opportunities for a year on placement or study abroad, and participation in a significant range of extra-curricula activities including mooting, pro-bono work and Law student societies. Students are challenged in their ability to communicate, analyse and problem-solve, developing their intellectual capacity focusing on practical, enterprising and future-facing application within the legal arena and elsewhere.

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Part D: External Reference Points and Benchmarks

QAA UK Quality Code for HE

Framework for higher education qualifications (FHEQ)

Subject benchmark statements

Qualification characteristics for Foundation degrees

Strategy 2020

University policies

External

The learning outcomes of the programme map against both the QAA subject benchmark statement for Law Benchmarks 2007 ISBN 978 184482765-5 and the Joint Statement issued in 1999 by the Law Society and the General Council of the Bar on the completion of the initial or academic stage of training by obtaining an undergraduate degree.

The programme team follows closely developments subsequent to the the Solicitors Regulation Authority, the Bar Standards Board and ILEX Professional Standards' joint Legal Education and Training review, and in particular the SRA's response, via its Training for Tomorrow Policy implementation, to the review's report. As part of this, the programme team took into account the SRA's consultation paper regarding the new Competence Statement for Solicitors, and the BSB's steps to develop benchmarks for its Future Bar Training Programme. The programme team will continue following the professional bodies' endeavours clearly to define competence for access to the legal profession with a view to the programme continuing to support its students to achieve those competence requirements.

Education for Sustainable Development (ESD)

The Programme Team is actively participating in the faculty's further development of ESD through the Learning and Teaching Enhancement Group in order to continue to participate in the implementation of the University's strategic priorities regarding ESD as stated in the UWE Bristol Strategy 2020.

Particular internal and external reference points in this context are:

The UWE Bristol Quality Management and Enhancement Framework

The QAA Graduate Outcomes Checklist for ESD

The UNESCO Characteristics for ESD

Part E: Regulations

Approved to University Regulations and Procedures.