

Module Specification

Module Details

Module Title Solicitors Legal Knowledge

Programme(s) Master of Laws (LLM in Legal Practice)

Credits 30

Core or Elective Core

Pre-requisites None

FHEQ Level 6

Workload 300 hours, comprised of:

Town halls, surgeries and support meetings (43.5 hours)

Assessment (16 hours)

Reading and personal study (240.5 hours)

Module Outline & Competencies

Module Description This module develops competency in the application of the law in the following 13 practice areas:

- 1. Contract Law
- 2. Tort
- 3. Conduct and Ethics
- 4. Land Law
- 5. Criminal Liability
- 6. Trusts
- 7. Business Law and Practice
- 8. Dispute Resolution
- 9. Criminal Practice
- 10. Legal Services
- 11. Legal systems, EU Law and Public Law
- 12. Property Practice
- 13. Wills and Estates, and Solicitors Accounts

This is with the aim of developing Functioning Legal Knowledge as defined in the context of the assessment specification for the Solicitors Qualification Examination.

The module is developed for graduates starting out on their prequalification journey of professional legal education. and focuses on developing technical and practical proficiency through innovative learning methods.



Learning Outcomes By successfully completing this module, the learner will be able to demonstrate:

- 1. A systematic understanding of key aspects of law and practice, including acquisition of coherent and detailed knowledge;
- 2. The ability to apply relevant core legal principles and rules within the context of the practice areas in which they apply appropriately and effectively to realistic client-based and ethical problems and situations; and
- 3. The ability to manage their own learning

Module Content The module content includes online instruction, , e-manuals, audio-visual media, online activities and multiple choice tests with automated feedback.

Learning activities include:

- 1. The study of substantive law and procedure from reading the manuals and accessing the audio-visual media;
- 2. The development of understanding and application through practice and review (using the online activities)); and
 - Consolidation and testing knowledge through multiple choice tests (with automated feedback).

Assessment Learners will be assessed through the one summative best answer multiple choice test with automated feedback.

Link with The competency frameworks that underpin the learning **competencies** outcomes for this module are:

- 1. The Quality Assurance Agency (QAA) National Qualifications Framework Outcome classification description for FHEQ Level 6; and
- 2. The Solicitors Regulation Authority's Statement of Solicitor Competence.

The:

- a) learning outcomes are directed to the development; and
- b) criteria for assessment of achievement are directed to the measurement;

of competency (to the level of a competent newly qualified solicitor in practice) in the identification of relevant core legal principles and rules for the module practice areas and their appropriate and effective application to produce a solution which best addresses the needs of the client and reflects the client's commercial or personal circumstances.



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Link with FHEQ This module carries credits at FHEQ level 6 which will count **criteria** towards the award of a Postgraduate Certificate, Postgraduate Diploma and the College's LLM in Legal Practice, subject to the permissible limits of credits at level 6 for the grant of such awards.

> As such the underpinning FHEQ level criteria are those set out in The Quality Assurance Agency (QAA) National Qualifications Framework Outcome classification description for FHEQ Level 6 contextualised for professional development through study and learning on a professional/practice-based Master of Laws as described in the QAA's Characteristics Statement for Master's Degrees February 2020.