

LLB Law Plus





Why study Law Plus at UL?

The study of law is an enriching educational experience that provides intellectual stimulation and an exposure to decisionmaking and argumentative skills. The Law Plus programme allows you to choose elective subjects in areas including Politics, History, Psychology, Sociology, Economics, Maths and languages. You can therefore expect to have a wide variety of options open to you upon graduation.

Law Plus places significant emphasis on the development of practical legal skills including oral and written communication skills, analytical and logical reasoning skills, negotiation, legal research, organisational and team work skills, particularly through the Lawyering Skills modules. Our state-of-the-art courtrooms are utilised throughout the programme to develop these skills and ensure our graduates are equipped to deal with the realities of working in a legal environment. However, these skills are transferable and are of great benefit, even to those who choose a career outside of law.

What you will study

The programme is of four years' duration; seven semesters are spent on campus and one on work placement. In general, the programme consists of three law modules and two elective modules per semester.

The law component of the course is designed to provide you with a mastery of the discipline of law through the study of the core legal subjects: Lawyering Skills, Contract Law, Torts, Criminal Law, Constitutional Law, Equity and Trusts, EU Law and Land Law.

The elective component of the degree comprises a wide variety of modules from other disciplines and also includes additional Law modules. The electives serve to broaden the base of your legal studies and refine your knowledge of the wider world. These include Psychology, German, English, Maths, Politics, Gaeilge, Public Administration, History, French, Economics, Digital Culture and Communications, Spanish, Sociology, Linguistics with TESOL, and Japanese.

During the first half of Year 3, an eight-month period of Cooperative Education provides you with an opportunity to apply the knowledge that you have already acquired. Normally this will take the form of a work placement. It is possible to complete this placement abroad or alternatively, to study law through an exchange programme with one of our partner law schools worldwide.

During Year 4, you will complete Advanced Lawyering modules that involve a variety of practically focused activities such as writing a research article, preparing legal resources for national charities or take part in a Street Law project involving the teaching of law to secondary school students.

LA4011 Introduction to Lawyering 1

LA4211 Criminal Law 1

LA4111 Contract Law 1

Elective

Elective

LA4052 Introduction to Lawyering 2

LA4222 Criminal Law 2

LA4122 Contract Law 2

Elective

Elective

Year 2

LA4430 Constitutional Law 1

LA4610 Land Law 1 LA4310 Torts 1

Elective

Elective

LA4440 Constitutional Law 2

LA4620 Land Law 2

LA4320 Torts 2

Elective

Elective

Co-operative Education Work Placement

External Academic Study placement

Choose 5 Elective Modules

LA4810 Equity and Trusts 1

LA4033 Law of the European Union

LA4017 Advanced Lawyering 1 (Alternative Dispute

Resolution) Elective

Elective

LA4828 Equity and Trusts 2

LA4044 Law of the European Union

LA4048 Advanced Lawyering 2

Elective

Elective

*Programme structure may be subject to change

Follow on study

After finishing your Law degree, you may decide to stay on at University and pursue a Postgraduate Degree. The Law School at the University of Limerick offers a number of innovative and interesting postgraduate programmes:

- LLM General
- LLM in Human Rights in Criminal Justice
- LLM in International Commercial Law
- LLM by Research
- PhD

Career opportunities

A legal education gives you a number of career options. You may decide to enter the legal profession as a solicitor or barrister or you may engage in further study and become an academic. These are not the only options, as a law degree will give you a rich and wide-ranging education, which is relevant to a variety of careers. Our graduates often pursue careers in areas such as administration, government, business, finance, insurance, journalism, broadcasting, research and diplomacy. A law degree will provide you with life-long skills that can be adapted to suit a multiplicity of careers.

Entry Requirements

Applicants are required to hold at the time of enrolment the established Leaving Certificate (or an approved equivalent) with a minimum of six subjects which must include: Two H5 (Higher level) grades and Four O6 (Ordinary level) grades or four H7 (Higher Level) grades. Subjects must include Mathematics, Irish or another language, and English. (For certain electives, additional special qualifications specific to individual subjects or disciplines may be determined by the respective departments in accordance with Academic Council regulations.) We welcome applications from Mature Students.





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