



Nottingham Law School

Graduate Diploma in Law (GDL)

English Legal Method

This module provides students with an understanding of the English Legal System that can be transferred into the study of other compulsory elements of the course. This module covers the concept of law and sources of law, as well as statutory interpretation and the role of the Crown Prosecution Service. By the end of the module students should have an understanding of the English Legal System and the inter-relationship with the law and institutions of the European Union.

Law of Torts

This module aims to develop students ability to analyse and interpret case law and to determine relevant legal principles. To achieve this the module covers a range of topics including negligence and occupiers liability. Upon completion of this module students should have an awareness and understanding of the legal process within the context of the law of torts and, where relevant, its relationship with other areas of law.

Criminal Law

To enable students to develop knowledge and understanding of the principles and rules of criminal law. In order to achieve this the module covers elements of criminal liability including external conduct and inchoate offenses. Upon module completion students should have an understanding of the legal process within the context of criminal law and, where relevant, its relationship with other areas of law in a national and European context.

Land Law

To develop knowledge and understanding of property law with an emphasis upon real property. The module covers a range of topics including nature of land, estates and interests and adverse procession of land. The module will develop students ability to apply rules in order to solve legal problems in relation to land ownership.

Constitutional and Administrative Law

The constitutional and Administrative Law module develops students' knowledge and understanding of constitutional law concepts with particular reference to the main institutions of the state both at domestic and EU level. In order to achieve this the module covers the nature of constitutional law and the key sources of constitutional law. The module also focuses on a range of topics in relation to constitutional and administrative law including; the rule of law, parliamentary sovereignty and prerogative powers.



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Law of Contract

To develop knowledge and understanding of the law of contract by exploring a range of topics including the underlying theories, such as the freedom of contract and vitiating elements such as duress and economic duress. Upon completion of the module students should demonstrate an in-depth, coherent, and detailed knowledge and understanding of selected topics relating to the law of contract. Students should also be able to apply their knowledge of the law in the solution of legal problems.

European Union Law

This module provides an international perspective combining commercial, political and social elements within a core legal context. Providing an introduction to the European Union and continuing constitutional developments whilst also covering topics such as; direct actions in the court of justice and competition law. The module should develop students awareness and understanding of the legal process within the context of the law of the European Union and, where relevant, its relationship with other areas of law.

Law of Trust

This module enable students to acquire high-level knowledge and understanding of the Law of Trusts; developing students ability to examine decided cases in detail. The module covers a range of topics including classification of property, generation of property and management of property. Upon module completion students should have an understanding of the legal process within the context of trusts and, where relevant, its relationship with other areas of law.

Research project

The research project exposes students to an area of law in addition to those set out in the seven foundation modules. The research project allows students to develop their research and communication skills and the ability to critically analyse in the context of an agreed project title. The student will select a project title from an approved list supplied. A student may submit a title not on the approved list, in appropriate circumstances.



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