

Module specification

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Module code	BUS589
Module title	Business Law
Level	5
Credit value	20
Faculty	FSLS
Module Leader	Neil Pritchard
HECoS Code	100845
Cost Code	GAMG

Programmes in which module to be offered

LLB (Hons) Law	Core
BA (Hons) Business	Core
BA (Hons) Accounting & Finance	Core
BA (Hons) Human Resource Management	Core
BA (Hons) Marketing	Core
FdA Business Part-Time	Core

Pre-requisites

None

Breakdown of module hours

Learning and teaching hours	30 hrs
Placement tutor support	0hrs
Supervised learning e.g. practical classes, workshops	0 hrs
Project supervision (level 6 projects and dissertation modules only)	0 hrs
Total active learning and teaching hours	30 hrs
Placement / work based learning	0 hrs
Guided independent study	170 hrs
Module duration (total hours)	200 hrs

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With effect from date	September 2022
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Version number	6

Module aims

This module aims to develop a critical understanding of the concepts and principles of the law as it applies to business and the ability to apply them to practical business situations.

Module Learning Outcomes - at the end of this module, students will be able to:

1	Explain the main concepts and principles of the law of contract and tort and statutory consumer protection.
2	Assess and apply the main concepts and principles of the law of contract, tort and consumer legislation to realistic commercial situations
3	Critically evaluate the main principles of the law of contract, tort and consumer legislation in terms of their commercial consequences
4	Explain the main concepts and principles of company law and the law affecting other forms of business organisations
5	Apply the main principles of company law to realistic business situations
6	Critically evaluate company law in terms of its relevance to commercial practices

Assessment

Indicative Assessment Tasks:

Indicative Assessment 1: A two-part assignment consisting of a critical analysis of the legal principles of Contract/Tort followed by a case study requiring an application of the legal principles of consumer protection legislation to a realistic business situation. (Max word count 2,500)

Indicative Assessment 2: A two-hour exam consisting of a critical analysis of the legal principles of company law followed by a case study requiring an application of the principles of company law to a realistic commercial situation.

Assessment number	Learning Outcomes to be met	Type of assessment	Weighting (%)
1	1,2 and 3	Coursework	50%
2	4,5 and 6	Examination	50%

Derogations

None

Learning and Teaching Strategies

The learning and teaching strategy is grounded in the University's commitment to an Active Learning Framework (ALF) so that learning will be both accessible and active, and include synchronous and a-synchronous elements. Face to face classroom teaching will be supplemented by online lectures wherein students will be expected to complete activities such as watching Panopto videos; undertake additional reading; complete quizzes and exercises; and post comment for a-synchronous debate. These activities will be the subject of formative feedback by the module tutor. Added to this, will be access to staff who provide presence, challenge and support for student learning and can relate learning to real world uses.

Indicative Syllabus Outline

The essential elements of the law of contract and tort
Consumer protection agencies
Trade descriptions
Product liability
Consumer safety
Contracts for sale of goods and supply of goods and services
The nature of a company and other business organisations
The formation, financing and constitution of a company
The management and administration and regulation of a company
Legal implications of companies in difficulty

Indicative Bibliography

Essential Reading

Adams, A. (2018) 'Law for Business Students', 10th Edn., Pearson

Other Indicative Reading

ACCA (2017) 'F4 Corporate & Business Law (English) Study Text', BPP Learning Media
Jones, L. (2017) 'Introduction to Business Law' 4th Edn., OUP Oxford
Kelly, D., Hammer, R., Hendy, J. (2017) 'Business Law', 3rd Edn., Routledge
MacIntyre, E. (2018) 'Business Law' 9th Edn., Pearson
McLaughlin, S. (2015) 'Unlocking Company Law' 3rd Edn., Routledge
Roach, L. (2016) 'Card & James Business Law', 4th Edn., Oxford
Turner, C. (2013) 'Unlocking Contract Law' 4th Edn., Routledge
Woodroffe, G. & Lowe, R. (2016) 'Woodroffe's and Lowe's Consumer Law and Practice' 10th Edn., Sweet & Maxwell

Websites:

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Communication