

# LLM (BUSINESS LAW)

## Overview

### NFQ Level 9, Major Award

The LLM in Business Law is a full-time programme running for 12 months or a part-time programme running for 24 months from the date of first registration for the programme. A full-time candidate may not, during the currency of the LLM (Business Law), simultaneously pursue any other form of education, training or employment, without the advance permission of the School of Law.

## Submission of LLM Dissertation

The LLM Dissertation must be submitted for examination at the Winter Board, on a date in September to be specified by the School of Law at the commencement of the programme.

## Exit Award

### Postgraduate Diploma in Law (Business Law) (NFQ Level 9, Major Award)

Upon successful completion of taught modules to the value of 60 credits, registered LLM (Business Law) students may opt not to proceed with the programme and exit with a Postgraduate Diploma in Law (Business Law). (<https://ucc-ie-public.courseleaf.com/programmes/pdlb/>)

## Programme Requirements

For information about modules, module choice, options and credit weightings, please go to Programme Requirements (p. 1).

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**Full-time:** Students take **90** credits over one calendar year.

**Part-time:** Students take **90** credits over two calendar years, completing a total of **40** credits (including LW6646) in Year 1 and **50** credits (including LW6659) in Year 2.

Code	Title	Credits
Students take <b>90</b> credits as follows – <b>60</b> credits of taught modules and <b>30</b> credits of research modules:		

### Research Modules

#### Core Modules

Students take **30** credits as follows:

LW6652	Legal Research Methods and Writing	5
LW6659	LLM Dissertation	25

### Taught Modules

Students take **60** credits as follows – all listed core modules (**10** credits) and **50** credits of elective modules:<sup>1,2</sup>

#### Core Modules

LW6646	Business Law in Practice	10
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#### Elective Modules

Students take modules to the value of **50** credits from the following lists of elective modules - at least **40** credits must be chosen from List A and up to **10** credits may be chosen from List B:

### List A: LLM (Business Law) Modules

Students take modules to the value of at least **40** credits from the following:

LW6536	Intellectual Property Law (10)
LW6574	Intellectual Property and Internet Regulation (10)

LW6619	Alternative Dispute Resolution: Processes and Practice (5)
LW6643	Negotiation and Mediation (10)
LW6644	Managing Complex Disputes (10)
LW6647	IT Law Clinic for Start-ups (10)
LW6650	Contemporary Issues in EU Competition Policy (10)
LW6657	Law and Policy of the EU Digital Market (10)
LW6660	Digital Finance and FinTech: Law and Regulation (10)
LW6662	Law & the Future of Europe: Critical Perspectives Internal Market & Citizenship (5)
LW6663	Law and the Future of Europe - Critical Perspectives EMU and Governance (5)

### List B: Non-Law Modules and Undergraduate Business Law Modules

Students may take modules up to the value of **10** credits from the following:<sup>3,4</sup>

FE6601	Co-operatives and the Third Sector (5)
FI6001	Treasury Risk Management (5)
FI6002	Regulation and Compliance in Capital Markets (5)
LW2254	Commercial Law (10)
LW2269	Privacy and Data Protection Law (5)
LW3312	Employment Law: Contracts, Termination, Collective Labour Law (5) <sup>5</sup>
LW3313	Employment Law: Rights Protection, Equality, Specific Categories of Employees (5) <sup>6</sup>
LW3316	Financial Services: Law and Regulation (5)
LW3345	Company Law I: Fundamental Concepts and Doctrines (5)
LW3346	Company Law II: Management, Finance and Insolvency (5)
LW3347	Contemporary Issues in Corporate Law (5)
LW3368	Principles of Revenue Law (5)
LW3369	Income Tax Law (5)

**Total Credits** **90**

<sup>1</sup> It may be that not all modules listed will be offered each year and/or other options may become available.

<sup>2</sup> In order to ensure a reasonable distribution of workload, when choosing modules for all programmes, students should take a balance of credits between Semester 1 and Semester 2. Students who wish to deviate from this rule must seek permission from their Programme Director.

<sup>3</sup> Students may not choose a module from List B if they have already taken that module or equivalent subject matter at undergraduate level. Students may not choose modules from List B which involve a timetable clash.

<sup>4</sup> In certain cases, with the permission of the Programme Director, students may elect to take 10 credits from the modules available in the LLM (Taught) (<https://ucc-ie-public.courseleaf.com/programmes/llm/>) (other than those listed above) in substitution for 10 credits of elective modules from those in List B above.

<sup>5</sup> Not available to students who have previously passed LW3301.

<sup>6</sup> Not available to students who have previously passed LW3302.

## Examinations

Full details and regulations governing Examinations for each programme will be contained in the *Marks and Standards Book* and for each module in the *Book of Modules*.

## Programme Learning Outcomes

### Programme Learning Outcomes for LLM (Business Law) (NFQ Level 9, Major Award)

On successful completion of the programme, students should be able to:

- Critically evaluate primary and secondary legal materials of relevance to business law including Irish and European legislation, case-law and academic commentary;
- Identify and explore interconnections between legal topics in the area of Business Law;
- Demonstrate self-direction and originality in tackling and solving legal problems in respect of business law;
- Demonstrate original, independent and critical thinking in relation to the relevant legal issues;
- Place legal developments in respect of Business Law in broader economic and social contexts;
- Formulate research questions and develop appropriate research methodologies;
- Undertake scholarly research exploring legal themes of relevance to Business Law;
- Conduct research on a legal topic in the area of Business Law and write a masters-level dissertation on that topic;
- Use Information Technology appropriately for high-level legal research and writing;
- Prepare and deliver presentations on legal topics;
- Express complex legal and/or policy analysis in an appropriate legal style, in accordance with legal writing standards.