

# POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN LAW (BUSINESS LAW)

## Overview

### NFQ Level 9, Major Award

The Postgraduate Diploma in Law (Business Law) is a full-time programme running for 9 months or a part-time programme running for 18 months over two academic years from the date of first registration for the programme. A full-time candidate may not, during the currency of the Postgraduate Diploma in Law (Business Law), simultaneously pursue any other form of education, training or employment, without the advance permission of the School of Law.

## Progression: LLM (Business Law)

Candidates who successfully complete the Postgraduate Diploma in Law (Business Law) may undertake the LLM (Business Law) (<https://ucc-ie-public.courseleaf.com/programmes/llmbl/>).

## Programme Requirements

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

## Programme Requirements

**Full-time:** Students take **60** credits over one academic year.

**Part-time:** Students take **60** credits over two academic years, completing a total of **30** credits (including LW6646) in Year 1 and **30** credits in Year 2.

Code	Title	Credits
Students take <b>60</b> credits as follows – all listed core modules ( <b>10</b> credits) and <b>50</b> 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	
LW6574	Intellectual Property and Internet Regulation	
LW6619	Alternative Dispute Resolution: Processes and Practice	
LW6643	Negotiation and Mediation	
LW6644	Managing Complex Disputes	
LW6647	IT Law Clinic for Start-ups	
LW6650	Contemporary Issues in EU Competition Policy	
LW6657	Law and Policy of the EU Digital Market	
LW6660	Digital Finance and FinTech: Law and Regulation	
LW6662	Law & the Future of Europe: Critical Perspectives Internal Market & Citizenship	
LW6663	Law and the Future of Europe - Critical Perspectives EMU and Governance	

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

**Total Credits** **60**

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

On successful completion of this 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;
- Use information technology appropriately for high-level legal research and writing;
- Express complex legal and/or policy analysis in an appropriate legal style, in accordance with legal writing standards.