

# POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN LAW (INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND E-LAW)

## Overview

### NFQ Level 9, Major Award

The Postgraduate Diploma in Law (Intellectual Property and e-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 (Intellectual Property and e-Law), simultaneously pursue any other form of education, training or employment, without the advance permission of the School of Law.

## Progression: LLM (Intellectual Property and e-Law) Degree

Candidates who successfully complete the Postgraduate Diploma in Law (Intellectual Property and e-Law) may undertake the LLM (Intellectual Property and e-Law) Degree (<https://ucc-ie-public.courseleaf.com/programmes/llmipe/>).

## Exit Award

### Postgraduate Certificate in Law and Technology

Upon successful completion of taught modules to the value of 30 credits that meet the requirements of the Postgraduate Certificate in Law and Technology (<https://ucc-ie-public.courseleaf.com/programmes/pclt/>), students may opt not to proceed with the programme and exit with a Postgraduate Certificate in Law and Technology (<https://ucc-ie-public.courseleaf.com/programmes/pclt/>) (NFQ Level 9 Minor Award).

## 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 LW6574) in Year 1 and 30 credits in Year 2.

| Code  | Title   | Credits |
|---|---|---------|
| Students take 60 credits as follows – all listed core modules (40 credits) and 20 credits of elective modules: <sup>1,2</sup> |   |         |
| <i>Core Modules</i>   |   |         |
| LW6536  | Intellectual Property Law                     |         |
| LW6560  | Law of Cybercrime                             | 10      |
| LW6574  | Intellectual Property and Internet Regulation | 10      |
| LW6647  | IT Law Clinic for Start-ups                   | 10      |

### *Elective Modules*

Students take modules to the value of 20 credits from the following lists of elective modules - at least 10 credits must be chosen from List A and up to 10 credits may be chosen from List B: 20

#### List A: Elective Modules in E-Law, Business Law and Human Rights

Students take modules to the value of at least 10 credits from the following:

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| LW2269 | Privacy and Data Protection Law   |
| LW6606 | International Human Rights Law  |
| LW6619 | Alternative Dispute Resolution: Processes and Practice                          |
| LW6643 | Negotiation and Mediation   |
| LW6644 | Managing Complex Disputes   |
| 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: Undergraduate Modules

Students may take modules to the maximum value of 10 credits from the following: <sup>3</sup>

|        |  |
|--------|--|
| LW2254 | Commercial Law                                     |
| 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** 50

<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 or if it involves a timetable clash.

## 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 (Intellectual Property and e-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 Intellectual Property and e-Law including legislation, international instruments, case-law and academic commentary;
- Identify and explore interconnections between legal topics in the area of Intellectual Property and e-Law;
- Demonstrate self-direction and originality in tackling and solving legal problems in respect of Intellectual Property and e-Law;
- Demonstrate original, independent and critical thinking in relation to the relevant legal issues;

- Connect changing values and sentiments in society with legal developments in respect of Intellectual Property and e-Law;
- Formulate research questions and develop appropriate research methodologies;
- Undertake scholarly research exploring legal themes of relevance to Intellectual Property and e-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.