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: [1,2]		
Core Modules		
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: [3]		
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**

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

[2] 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.

[3] 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.