

# Overview of Part F Modules



## LLB Law 2020-2021

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Dear Students,

This is the second version of this e-leaflet of the modules we will be offering current Part 2 students who are due to progress to Part F for 2020 - 2021. It includes the two modules that will be offered to next year's second years where, in response to student feedback, we're also making spaces available for your cohort.

The Online Module Browser will be available from 6<sup>th</sup> April for viewing only. You can submit your module choices **between 16th April and 30<sup>th</sup> April 2020**.

You must select a total of 120 credits for your Final Year:

- One **Foundation Module** which will be either 20 or 40 credits
- You must choose between three and five **Law Options** (depending on your other choices) at 20 credits per module
- As part of your Law Options, you can choose **either** LW2BA Banking Law or LW2CS Crime and Society (but not both). If you choose either module that means you cannot also take module with an IWLP Language, or any other Part 2 module. This is because under the University rules, students may only take a maximum of 20 credits at a lower level.
- You can also choose **Non-Law Options** up to a maximum of 20 credits if you wish to do so (but this is not compulsory).

**It is very important that all your modules add up to 120 credits exactly - or you may not be able to graduate.**

Please note that all module selection is **provisional**: the availability of modules is dependent on staffing and student numbers. There may also be minor changes to module descriptions.

Please note that LW3ICR International Children's Rights and LW3GAL Gender and Law are capped modules. If they are oversubscribed, spaces are will be allocated by random ballot - with a proportionate number of spaces set aside for students from Malaysia who come to us for their third year.

Best wishes



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# FOUNDATION MODULES

You MUST select one of the following Foundation Modules, but ONLY one.

## LW3DUG Dissertation

Number of Credits: 40

Current Lecturer: Aleardo Zanghellini

In this module students research a topic of their choice and write up a dissertation on it under the supervision of a member of staff. The module aims to provide students with the opportunity to produce a major piece of work (max. 12,500 words), the research for which has been undertaken by independent study. Please note that the deadline for circulating your proposal to up to three members of the Law School is **17<sup>th</sup> April 2020** (see the Dissertation Handbook we sent you).

Mode of Delivery (including contact hours):

	Autumn	Spring	Summer
Lectures	1	3	
Project Supervision	4	3	
Guided independent study	194	195	
Total hours by term	199	201	

Summative Assessment Methods:

Method	Percentage
Dissertation	100

## LW3RWC Research and Writing Credit

Number of Credits: 20

Current Lecturers: David Wilde, Annika Newnham

The Research Writing Credit is a piece of assessed written work which allows a student independently to research a selected topic and produce an extended critical essay, after a lengthy period of reflection.

A number of set questions are written by lecturers each year, and you will be able to indicate your preference for questions you wish to answer.

Mode of Delivery (including contact hours):

	Autumn	Spring	Summer
Lectures	1	1	
Guided independent study	99	99	
Total hours by term	100	100	

Summative Assessment Methods:

Method	Percentage
Written assignment including essay	100

# LW3WPP Writing Credit Pro Bono & Professional Practice

Number of Credits: 20

Current Lecturers: Rachel Horton

This module provides an opportunity for students who choose to undertake work in an approved pro bono organisation or professional setting (which students are required to arrange for themselves). It allows students to develop and reflect on their practical legal skills and to research an area of law or legal or pro bono services relevant to the placement. It is assessed through a reflective portfolio.

**Please note that students should not select the module on RISIS unless they have first contacted the module convenor, Rachel Horton ([r.e.horton@reading.ac.uk](mailto:r.e.horton@reading.ac.uk)), to discuss their proposed placement and ensure that it is suitable for the module.**

Mode of Delivery (including contact hours):

	Autumn	Spring	Summer
Seminars		2	
Project Supervision		1	1
Guided independent study	60		61
Placement		75	
Total hours by term	138		62

Summative Assessment Methods:

Method	Percentage
Portfolio	100

# LAW OPTIONS

You must choose at least three Law Options and can choose up to five (if you have not chosen the dissertation and have not chosen a non-law option).

## LW3CFS Children, Families and the State

**Number of Credits:** 20

**Current Lecturers:** Annika Newnham, Amanda Millmore

In the autumn term, this module looks at how child law is used to promote children's welfare in the context of local authorities' work with families. We focus on topics which are not covered in LW3FAM and both modules can be taken independently.

In the spring term, the students work in groups during seminars representing one of four parties in a (fictional) childcare case: the Local Authority social services, the parents, and the grandmother. Documents are released gradually and selectively to each 'client' and the groups negotiate solutions for the children and write an Evaluative Report on the case for the final assessment.

**Mode of Delivery (including contact hours):**

	Autumn	Spring	Summer
Lectures	12	2	
Seminars	4	10	
Guided independent study	84	88	
Total hours by term	100	100	

**Summative Assessment Methods:**

Method	Percentage
Two written assignments	100

## LW3CO Company Law

**Number of Credits:** 20

**Current Lecturers:** Folashade Adeyemo, Lyn Newdick

Introduces students to the fundamental principles of company law in England and Wales, exploring key areas relating to the formation, structure, operation, regulation and activities of companies. Students will engage deeply with case law, legislation and legal reform, considering the law from a range of perspectives including business needs and pressures, theoretical bases for corporate regulation, and policy considerations.

**Mode of Delivery (including contact hours):**

	Autumn	Spring	Summer
Lectures	20	5	
Seminars	3	2	

Guided independent study	77	93
Total hours by term	100	100

#### Summative Assessment Methods:

Method	Percentage
Written exam	70
Written assignment including essay	30

## LW3COM Commercial Law

Number of Credits: 20

Current Lecturers: Folashade Adeyemo, Liz Conaghan, James Devenney,

This module aims to introduce module members to some of the fundamental principles of Commercial Law through a critical examination of, and engagement with, relevant case law, legislation, business practice, academic work, historical influences, economic drivers and public policy. It focuses primarily on the study of the law surrounding contracts for the sale of goods although module members will also be introduced to the concept and law of agency. The module builds on module members' knowledge of Contract Law and it aims to equip students with a critical appreciation of some of the central themes and pillars of Commercial Law. The focus is on the law relevant to commercial transactions in England and Wales, although comparative and transnational perspectives will be drawn upon from time to time.

#### Mode of Delivery (including contact hours):

	Autumn	Spring	Summer
Lectures	12	9	
Seminars	2	3	
Guided independent study	86	88	
Total hours by term	100	100	

#### Summative Assessment Methods:

Method	Percentage
Written exam	70
Written assignment including essay	30

## LW3CRY Criminology

Number of Credits: 20

Current Lecturers: Paul Almond, Peter Coe

This module encourages an understanding of crime as a social phenomenon, of theoretical and empirical analyses of offenders and offending behaviour, and of social and legal responses to crime.

**Mode of Delivery (including contact hours):**

	Autumn	Spring	Summer
Lectures	25		2
Seminars		5	
Guided independent study	75	88	5
Total hours by term	100	93	7

**Summative Assessment Methods:**

Method	Percentage
Written exam	50
Written assignment including essay	50

## LW3ENV Environmental Law

Number of Credits: 20

Current Lecturers: Chris Hilson, Mark Wilde

This module involves the study of environmental law and regulation. The module aims to provide students with a detailed knowledge and understanding of certain key areas of environmental law and regulation as elaborated at a national, European and international levels. This includes arguably the greatest challenge facing humanity - climate change. The subject should appeal both to those interested in the environment and those considering commercial practice (with environmental liabilities and contaminated land often forming a part of corporate transactional work).

**Mode of Delivery (including contact hours):**

	Autumn	Spring	Summer
Seminars	10	10	2
Guided independent study	89	89	
Total hours by term	99	99	2

**Summative Assessment Methods:**

Method	Percentage
Written exam	70
Written assignment including essay	30

## LW3FAM Family Law

Number of Credits: 20

Current Lecturers: Thérèse Callus, Liz Conaghan, Amanda Millmore

This module aims to provide students with a working knowledge of the private law relating to the family and to family breakdown, including the law of family financial provision. It aims to give students the opportunity to develop their research skills and the habit of independent, critical thought, in particular by encouraging them to consider critically the continuing agenda of family law reform.

**Mode of Delivery (including contact hours):**

	Autumn	Spring	Summer
Lectures	20		
Seminars		10	
Guided independent study	60	100	10
Total hours by term	80	110	10

**Summative Assessment Methods:**

Method	Percentage
Written exam	100

## LW3GAL Gender and Law

Number of Credits: 20

**Current Lecturers:** Marie Aronsson-Storrier, Rosemary Auchmuty, Rachel Horton, Nowrin Tamanna

This module provides a critical analysis of the significance of gender in a range of legal areas. It introduces students to a range of theoretical approaches to the study of gender and law and equips them with the critical tools to apply a gender critique to established legal concepts, categories and reasoning in a variety of contexts. Please note that this module will be capped; if it is oversubscribed the places will be allocated by random ballot.

**Mode of Delivery (including contact hours):**

	Autumn	Spring	Summer
Seminars (lecturer led)	10	5	
Student Presentation		5	
Guided independent study	90	90	
Total hours by term	100	100	

**Summative Assessment Methods:**

Method	Percentage
Written assignment including essay	70
Oral assessment and presentation	30

## LW3ICR International Children's Rights

Number of Credits: 20

**Current Lecturers:** Alison Bisset

How best to ensure the rights of children is a complex area of concern at national, regional and international levels. Realization of their rights is impacted by political, economic, social and religious realities. This module examines the international laws that protect children's rights and the difficulties of realizing those rights in practice. Through a series of case studies, the module reflects on the contribution of political,



economic and cultural factors to children's suffering and on the ability of international law to deliver change.

Please note that this module will be capped to 25 places, allocated by random ballot if the module is oversubscribed.

**Mode of Delivery (including contact hours):**

	Autumn	Spring	Summer
Seminars	20	4	
Guided independent study	80	96	
Total hours by term	100	100	

**Summative Assessment Methods:**

Method	Percentage
Written assignment including essay	70
Oral assessment and presentation	30

## LW3IHR International Human Rights Law

Number of Credits: 20

Current Lecturers: Alison Bisset, Marie Aronsson-Storrier, Matthew Windsor

This module provides students with a core knowledge of the principal human rights treaties, conventions and resolutions concluded under the auspices of the United Nations. It introduces students to the international systems that operate to ensure the enforcement, implementation and monitoring of international human rights standards. The module also explores current areas of controversy in international human rights law.

**Mode of Delivery (including contact hours):**

	Autumn	Spring	Summer
Lectures	25		
Seminars			5
Guided independent study	75	95	
Total hours by term	100	100	

**Summative Assessment Methods:**

Method	Percentage
Written exam	60
Written assignment including essay	40

## LW3IL International Law

Number of Credits: 20

Current Lecturers: James Green, Lawrence Hill-Cawthorne, Anne Thies

This module provides a grounding in basic concepts and general principles of international law. Students will be encouraged to examine the legal basis of

international law, the sources of the law, territory, jurisdiction and the resolution of international disputes, as well as substantive topics such as the use of military force, armed conflicts and international crimes.

**Mode of Delivery (including contact hours):**

	Autumn	Spring	Summer
Lectures	24		
Seminars		6	
Guided independent study	76	94	
Total hours by term	100	100	

**Summative Assessment Methods:**

Method	Percentage
Written exam	100

## LW3IP Intellectual Property Law

Number of Credits: 20

Current Lecturers: Adrian Aronsson-Storrier, Stavroula Karapapa

This module explores the field of intellectual property law and provides students with an introduction to the intellectual property system, with particular emphasis on the laws of copyright, patents, passing off, trademarks and breach of confidence. It identifies and explores the rationales for intellectual property protection; and enables students to assess their practical day to day implementation.

**Mode of Delivery (including contact hours):**

	Autumn	Spring	Summer
Lectures	16	10	
Practical classes and workshops	3	4.5	
Guided independent study	81	85.5	
Total hours by term	100	100	

**Summative Assessment Methods:**

Method	Percentage
Written exam	100

## LW3JUR Jurisprudence

Number of Credits: 20

Current Lecturers: Dimitrios Kyritsis, Stuart Lakin, Aleardo Zanghellini

What (if anything) distinguishes law from other social norms e.g. religion, morality, custom, convention, prudence, common sense? Must we obey the law? Must judges always give effect to the law? Are there objectively true or correct answers to all questions of law? What is justice? Can a valid law be unjust? Is law inherently unfair e.g. towards women, ethnic minorities, people with different sexualities?

These are just some of the questions we consider on this module, looking in detail at the work of major theorists (e.g. Rawls, MacKinnon, Dworkin) past and present who have tried to answer them.

**Mode of Delivery (including contact hours):**

	Autumn	Spring	Summer
Seminars	21	12	
Project Supervision			1
Guided independent study	82	84	
<b>Total hours by term</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>97</b>	

**Summative Assessment Methods:**

Method	Percentage
Written exam	40
Written assignment including essay	35
Oral assessment and presentation	25

## LW3LAB Labour Law

Number of Credits: 20

Current Lecturers: Rachel Horton, Grace James

This module deals with the law governing employment relationships. By examining the legal rules in their historical, social, economic and political context, it adopts a critical approach to the way that employment relationships are constituted and regulated.

**Mode of Delivery (including contact hours):**

	Autumn	Spring	Summer
Lectures	25		
Seminars			5
Guided independent study	75	95	
<b>Total hours by term</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	

**Summative Assessment Methods:**

Method	Percentage
Written Exam	100

## LW3LPL Law in Philosophy and Literature

Number of Credits: 20

Current Lecturers: Aleardo Zanghellini

Through an examination of works of literature and philosophy, the module leads students into an inquiry into some of the most significant questions and principles of political morality that attend the study of law. Topics examined include justice, the rule of law, legitimate authority and democracy.

Among others, you will study the works of some of the following philosophers, playwrights, and authors of fiction: Martha Nussbaum, John Locke, William Shakespeare, Anita Allen, Joseph Raz, Katherine Mansfield, Plato, Sophocles, Hannah Arendt, Shirley Jackson, Ronald Dworkin, Euripides, and George Bernard Shaw.

**Mode of Delivery (including contact hours):**

	Autumn	Spring	Summer
Seminars	12	8	
Guided independent study	88	92	
Total hours by term	100	100	

**Summative Assessment Methods:**

Method	Percentage
Written assignment including essay	80
Oral presentation and participation	20

## LW3MED Medical Law

Number of Credits: 20

Current Lecturers: Thérèse Callus, Chris Newdick, Rachel Horton

This module provides an examination of common law reasoning, regulation and ethics in Medical Law. It enables students to see the extent to which ethics contributes to this fast-developing subject. By the end of this module it is expected that students will be able to: recognise the leading cases and statutes pertaining to disputes between doctors, patients, health authorities and the government; refer to the institutional setting in which disputes within the NHS arise; critically evaluate the contribution of ethical principles to legal development in the health care arena.

**Mode of Delivery (including contact hours):**

	Autumn	Spring
Lectures	16	
Seminars		14
Guided independent study	84	86
Total hours by term	100	100

**Summative Assessment Methods:**

Method	Percentage
Written exam	100

## LW3REV Revenue Law

Number of Credits: 20

Current Lecturers: David Wilde

This module introduces students to the major rules and principles of tax law. It teaches the general principles, most important detailed rules, and most pervasive problems of classification, of the UK's law of direct taxation, with particular emphasis on the taxation of business income.

Mode of Delivery (including contact hours):

	Autumn	Spring	Summer
Video Lectures	25		
Seminars		5	
Guided independent study	75	95	
Total hours by term	100	100	

Summative Assessment Methods:

Method	Percentage
Written exam	100

## LW3TEC Technology, Privacy and Internet Regulation

Number of Credits: 20

Current Lecturers: Adrian Aronsson-Storrier, Peter Coe

This module provides students with an understanding of the challenges of regulating developing technologies and cyberspace, with a particular focus on issues relating to privacy, liberty, freedom of expression and the protection of personal data in the online environment.

Mode of Delivery (including contact hours):

	Autumn	Spring	Summer
Lectures	12	8	
Seminars	8	6	
Guided independent study	80	86	
Total hours by term	100	100	

Summative Assessment Methods:

Method	Percentage
Essay (10 pages)	100
This module will also contain additional assessments that student can elect to do and which will only go towards the module mark if the grade is higher than the essay grade.	

## PART 2 OPTIONS OFFERED TO PART F

In response to student requests, we have decided to offer a small number of places on two new Part 2 modules. If either module is oversubscribed these spaces will be allocated by random ballot. It is **very important to note** that **you can only pick one** of these two modules. You also **cannot** take either module with an IWLP Language, or any other Part 2 module. This is because under the University rules, students may only take a maximum of 20 credits at a lower level.

If you want to register your interest in taking LW2BA Banking Law or LW2CS Crime and Society, please follow the steps below:

- Complete your selection online during selection period in the normal way.
- Email [moduleselection@reading.ac.uk](mailto:moduleselection@reading.ac.uk) between 16th - 30th April in line with online selection timings
- The subject of the email should be 'LW2BA request' or 'LW2CS request'.
- In the message state that you wish to be added to the 'expression of interest list for (module code)' and state the module you would like to remove if you are successful in gaining a place on LW2BA or LW2CS.

You will receive an email after 30th April to tell you whether you have been successful in gaining a space on the module or not.

### LW2BA Banking Law

**Number of Credits:** 20

**Current Lecturer:** Folashade Adeyemo

The module addresses the concept of banking regulation and supervision from a UK and a global perspective. It also addresses specific aspects of banking law, for example, the bank and customer relationship and the duty of banks to maintain confidentiality. The module also aims to provide students with the opportunity to develop and sharpen their logical and analytical skills as it relates to banking law issues.

The module is designed to stretch the student's analytical mind, to enable them to resolve practical legal issues which may arise in banking and provide a clear understanding of the significant role played by banks in society. The module considers banking law generally from a practical, theoretical and legal perspective with the exploration of cases.

**Mode of Delivery (including contact hours):**

	Autumn	Spring	Summer
Lectures	20		
Seminars	5		
Guided independent study	80	95	
Total hours by term	100	100	

**Summative Assessment Methods:**

Method	Percentage
Written assignments including essay	50
Oral assessment and presentation	10
Written examination	40

## LW2CS Crime and Society in England & Wales

**Current Number of Credits: 20**

**Lecturers:** Charlotte Smith, Mark Wilde

This module adopts a historical and socio-legal approach to the study of the Criminal Justice System in England and Wales since 1750. It views the Criminal Justice System as a product of its history, and of the social, political and economic context in which it developed. It traces the shifting nature of this history and context in order to promote an understanding of the forces which shaped the Criminal Justice System, and the needs and objectives which it was designed to meet, and how these have changed over time. This facilitates a critical assessment of the fitness for purpose of different aspects of the system in the light of current social and political contexts.

Students will be encouraged and supported to improve their research skills and legal writing and to understand how to interact with both scholarly literature and relevant primary source materials.

**Mode of Delivery (including contact hours):**

	Autumn	Spring	Summer
Lectures	20		
Seminars	10		
Guided independent study	80	90	
Total hours by term	100	100	

**Summative Assessment Methods:**

Method	Percentage
Written assignments including essay	30
Written examination	70

## NON-LAW OPTIONS

It is possible to opt for module(s) comprising 20 credits from the range of modules offered at Level 5 or 6 by other Schools and Departments of the University, or a module in a language offered at Level 4 by the Institution-Wide Language Programme (IWLP <http://www.reading.ac.uk/iwlp>) provided you meet the entry requirements for that module. There will be further details on non-law options on the on-line module browser.

