

# **Programme Specification Document**

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# Overview

Programme Code 36514		
Programme Title	Law	
Awarding Institution Liverpool John Moores University		
Programme Type Masters		
Programme Leader		
Link Tutor(s)	Emmanuel Guinchard	

Partner Name	Partnership Type
Unicaf	Validated

## **Awards**

Award Type	Award Description	Award Learning Outcomes
Alternative Exit	Postgraduate Certificate - PC	Show originality in the application of knowledge, together with a practical understanding of how established techniques of research and enquiry may be used to create and interpret knowledge in relevant areas of law. Have a systematic understanding and critical awareness of current problems and contemporary issues and/or insights into the changing nature of UK and international corporate business organisations operating within a multi-national framework. Demonstrate skills associated with problem-solving and decision making based on own research and analysis demonstrated through legal writing and communication skills. Develop an ability to exercise initiative when faced with novel and/or complex problem situations. Apply critical and analytical skills associated with legal analysis to identified scenario and situations.
Target Award	Master of Laws - ML	See Learning Outcomes Below
Alternative Exit	Postgraduate Diploma - PD	Demonstrate knowledge and understanding critical awareness of the relevant contemporary legal issues. Critically evaluate, analyze and assess the nature of the legal framework, structure and regulation impacting on law and or criminal justice in an international context Show originality in the application of knowledge, together with a practical understanding of how established techniques of research and enquiry may be used to create and interpret knowledge in relevant areas of law. Have a systematic understanding and critical awareness of current problems and contemporary issues and/or insights into the changing nature of UK and international corporate business organisations operating within a multi-national framework. Critically evaluate arguments, assumptions and abstract concepts and so formulate judgements and identify a range of solutions to a given problem. Demonstrate skills associated with problem-solving and decision making based on own research and analysis demonstrated through legal writing and communication skills. Develop an ability to exercise initiative when faced with novel and/or complex problem situations. Apply critical and analytical skills associated with legal analysis to identified scenario and situations.

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# **External Benchmarks**

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## **Programme Offering(s)**

Mode of Study, Mode of Delivery	Intake Month	Teaching Institution	Programme Length
Full-Time, Face to Face	April	Unicaf	30 Months
Full-Time, Face to Face	August	Unicaf	30 Months
Full-Time, Face to Face	December	Unicaf	30 Months
Full-Time, Face to Face	February	Unicaf	30 Months
Full-Time, Face to Face	January	Unicaf	30 Months
Full-Time, Face to Face	July	Unicaf	30 Months
Full-Time, Face to Face	June	Unicaf	30 Months
Full-Time, Face to Face	March	Unicaf	30 Months
Full-Time, Face to Face	May	Unicaf	30 Months
Full-Time, Face to Face	November	Unicaf	30 Months
Full-Time, Face to Face	October	Unicaf	30 Months
Full-Time, Face to Face	September	Unicaf	30 Months

#### **Aims and Outcomes**

#### **Educational Aims of the Programme**

The aim of this programme is for students to gain academic and intellectual progression in a number of areas of law and criminal justice, together with the acquisition of specific knowledge and skills. Within the context of the University's mission statement and responsiveness to national and international needs, curriculum innovation and continuing quality enhancement, the programme objectives are to: Provide students with knowledge and critical analysis of key themes of law and criminal justice. Provide advanced legal knowledge and skills directly relevant to law and criminal justice through the delivery of intellectually stimulating course content underpinned in many areas by internationally recognised research. Provide critical analysis of the complexities arising in the fields of law and criminal justice using challenging and informing global and comparative perspectives. The course is underpinned by the significance of engagement with existing and emerging research and advanced scholarship. Develop originality in the application of knowledge, together with a practical understanding of how established techniques of research and enquiry are used to create and interpret knowledge in the discipline.

#### **Learning Outcomes**

Code	Description
PLO1	Demonstrate knowledge and understanding critical awareness of the relevant contemporary legal issues.
PLO2	Identify and summarise relevant information and develop an evidence-based approach to research and demonstrate competency in using information technology.

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PLO3	Manage time and develop independent learning for continuous development.
PLO4	Apply critical and analytical skills associated with legal analysis to identified scenario and situations.
PLO5	Research effectively through a selection of appropriate theories, methodologies and techniques using primary and secondary materials.
PLO6	Formulate judgements and identify a range of possible solutions to a given problem.
PLO7	Critically evaluate, analyse and assess the nature of the legal framework, structure and regulation impacting on corporate business organisations using the exemplar of English law set against an international context.
PLO8	Develop a more in depth knowledge and understanding which is sufficient to critically evaluate key issues and current developments in relevant areas of law and/or criminal justice.
PLO9	Show originality in the application of knowledge, together with a practical understanding of how established techniques of research and enquiry may be used to create and interpret knowledge in relevant areas of law.
PLO10	Have a systematic understanding and critical awareness of current problems and contemporary issues and/or insights into the changing nature of UK and international law.
PLO11	Demonstrate conceptual understanding and evidence critical evaluation, current research and advanced scholarship in the areas of law and or criminal justice.
PLO12	Critically evaluate arguments, assumptions and abstract concepts and so formulate judgements and identify a range of solutions to a given problem
PLO13	Demonstrate skills associated with problem-solving and decision making based on own research and analysis demonstrated through legal writing and communication skills.
PLO14	Develop an ability to exercise initiative when faced with novel and/or complex problem situations.

## **Programme Structure**

### **Programme Structure Description**

The programme may be completed in 2-5 years. The pass mark for all modules is 50% An alternative exit award of Postgraduate Diploma in Law will be offered to students who do not achieve a pass in the dissertation module but have gained 120 credits within the programme. An alternative award of Postgraduate Certificate in Law will be offered to students who have gained 60 credits at the point they exit the course, the 60 credits may not include the dissertation module. Students will register for one new module at a time and must complete the whole programme within 5 years.

Programme Structure - 180 credit points		
Level 7 - 180 credit points		
Level 7 Core - 180 credit points	CORE	
[MODULE] 7500UNICAF Dissertation Approved 2022.01 - 60 credit points		
[MODULE] 7511UNICAF Advanced Legal Research Methods Approved 2022.01 - 20 credit points		
[MODULE] 7525UNICAF International Criminal Law Approved 2022.01 - 20 credit points		
[MODULE] 7526UNICAF Conflict and Warfare in International Law Approved 2022.01 - 20 credit points		
[MODULE] 7527UNICAF International Human Rights Law Approved 2022.01 - 20 credit points		
[MODULE] 7554UNICAF International Corporate Governance Approved 2022.01 - 20 credit points		
[MODULE] 7562UNICAF International Labour Law Approved 2022.01 - 20 credit points		
Level 7 Optional - No credit points	OPTIONAL	

Module specifications may be accessed at <a href="https://proformas.limu.ac.uk/Default.aspx">https://proformas.limu.ac.uk/Default.aspx</a>

## Approved variance from Academic Framework Regulations

#### **Variance**

Students will be eligible for a Final Module Attempt (FMA) once they have failed the first and referral attempt of a module. Students will not have to wait until all the assessment opportunities from the taught element of the programme have been exhausted. (approved 03/11/2022)

## Teaching, Learning and Assessment

All Learning Outcomes contained within this programme of study are assessed through the core and option modules. Assessment is used to judge student performance against the standards set. Assessment is used to give students the opportunity to demonstrate achievement of the relevant learning outcomes in accordance with The QAA UK Quality Code. Formative through group interaction in the preparation of work for seminars, and summative through the completion of course works and final dissertation. All taught modules, both Core and Option, are assessed summatively via written coursework. These assessments will require students to display independent learner status through exposition, knowledge and understanding of the stated Learning Outcomes for each Module and the programme as a whole.

# Opportunities for work related learning

This qualification develops skills appropriate to a range of careers within allied or related areas. This postgraduate degree will provide a set of intellectual and practical skills that will aid career development. Holders of this award may also find positions in the field of education and research including continuing their study for a Ph.D. .

# **Entry Requirements**

Туре	Description
Alternative qualifications considered	Standard entry: A recognised first degree in Law of at least a good Second Class Honours standard. Applicants who do not possess a first degree in law will normally possess a relevant alternative first degree of at least a good Second Class Honours standard. The requirements of a Second Class degree may be waived where it can be shown that an applicant has achieved a comparable academic standard through past studies and work experience of at least one year. Postgraduate entry requirements: Applicants must possess a first degree (not necessarily in law) with a minimum 2:2 classification. Applicants with a lower classification may be considered if they possess other comparable qualifications and/or who possess relevant work experience. LJMU Admissions has provided the relevant international equivalents that would be required from the various countries from which Unicaf recruits from. English proficiency requirements: An IELTS English qualification score of at least 6.0 (with a minimum of 5.5 in each element). Similarly, the minimum English proficiency requirements for the various countries UNICAF recruit from have been approved by LJMU and will be followed. LJMU Admissions have approved the Unicaf English Placement Test (EPT) where English proficiency cannot be proven otherwise. We would adhere to the LJMU agreement with UNICAF on this. Awards with Lower equivalencies: Work experience will be considered alongside awards that are lower in equivalence/comparability to a UK Honours degree (i.e. bachelor degrees in other countries that are comparable to UK Ordinary degree, DipHE or HND level) It is asked that the work experience was for at least a year and would be in a graduate level role such as paralegal. Nonstandard applications: Unicaf Admissions will handle both standard and nonstandard applications as per the guidelines provided by LJMU. Applications that do not conform to the guidelines provided by LJMU (i.e. Professional qualifications or awards that are lower than HND equivalence) will be referred to LJMU f