

Legal Studies

- FETAC Level 5



Content

This is a one year part-time programme in Legal Studies. Participants have the opportunity to attain a FETAC level 5 award in Legal Studies. The award covers the basic concepts of the Irish Legal system. The syllabus is structured as follows:

- **Legal Studies** : Equips participants with the conceptual tools necessary to understand the legal system, its principles, function and effect on their personal lives.
- **Criminal Law** : Tuition is provided in judicial procedures including all aspects of a criminal trial.
- **Business Law** : Addresses the legal aspects of business contracts, share ownership and partnership as well as limited liability.
- **Libel and Defamation** : Provides participants with the opportunity to explore issues pertaining to defamation, libel and slander.
- **Workplace Statutory Policies and Procedures** : Provides an overview of the legal principles and procedures relating to safety and quality in the workplace. In addition it covers legislation governing employer/employee duties and responsibilities.
- **Work Experience** : Investigates workplace learning related to the Legal profession.
- **Communications** : Addresses key communication skills required for the working environment.
- **Family Law (subject to approval from FETAC)** : Explores key issues relating to succession, guardianship and marriage in Irish Law.

Assessment

Assessment takes place both during the course and by examination.

Assessment includes written projects and assignments. Participants are advised to familiarise themselves with the FETAC assessment protocols as well as the submission deadlines pertaining to each module.

Features of the course

- Curriculum delivered by expert practitioners in the legal field
- Saturday workshop
- Court visit
- Moot court
- Supervised placement visits

Entry Requirements

Applications are invited from the following:

- Participants with an interest in pursuing a career as Legal Executives or in attaining a further legal qualification.
- In addition participants with a keen interest in studying the law.

Additional requirements include:

- All students are required to organise 10 hours' work experience in a legal setting.
- Students will be visited by their course tutor for assessment purposes.

Application Procedures

Application is by enrolment, applicants are required to attend a course briefing before enrolling on the course. This will take place on the evening of enrolment. Please see enrolment dates for further details.

Certification

Awarding Body : FETAC
Major Award : Legal Studies
NQF Level : Level 5
Award Code : BLSXX

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Fees

Year 1

Course Title	Award	Fee	Duration	Payment Code
Legal Studies	FETAC Level 5	220 Euro	42hrs	Autumn - ELS5A
Criminal Law	FETAC Level 5	160 Euro	22hrs	Autumn - ECW5A
Workplace Statutory Policies and Procedures	FETAC Level 5	160 Euro	22hrs	Spring - EWP5S
Business Law	FETAC Level 5	160 Euro	22hrs	Spring - EBW5S

Year 2

Communications	FETAC Level 5	150 Euro	20hrs	Autumn - ECM5A
Libel and Defamation	FETAC Level 5	160 Euro	22hrs	Autumn - ELD5A
Work Experience	FETAC Level 5	100 Euro	10hrs	Spring - EWX5S
Another Module	FETAC Level 5	160 Euro	22hrs	Spring - EFW5S

Timetable 2010 - 2012

Year 1

Autumn Term

Course Title	Day	Time	Start Date	Finish Date
Legal Studies	Monday 2 x Saturday	6.30pm to 9pm 9am to 3pm	Mon. 20th Sep. 2010 To be decided	Mon. 13th Dec. 2010
Criminal Law	Wednesday	7pm to 9pm	Wed. 22nd Sep. 2010	Wed. 8th Dec. 2010

Spring Term

Workplace Statutory Policies and Procedures	Monday	7pm to 9pm	Mon. 24th Jan. 2011	Mon. 4th April 2011
Business Law	Wednesday	7pm to 9pm	Wed. 26th Jan. 2011	Wed. 6th April 2011

Year 2

Autumn Term

Course Title	Day	Time	Start Date	Finish Date
Libel and Defamation	Monday	7pm to 9pm	Mon 19th Sep. 2011	Mon. 5th Dec. 2011
Communications	Wednesday	7pm to 9pm	Wed. 21st Sep. 2011	Wed. 30th Nov. 2011

Spring Term

Another Module (Family Law)	Monday	7pm to 9pm	Mon. 23rd Jan. 2012	Mon. 16th April 2012
Work Experience	Wednesday	7pm to 9pm	Wed. 8th Feb. 2012	Wed. 14th March 2012

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Enrolment

Year 1			Fee Regulations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fees to be made payable by cheque or postal order made out to the City of Dublin VEC. All fees must be paid at the time of enrolment. Under no circumstances will fees be accepted in installments. Fees will not be refunded except where class does not form. Minimum class size of 12 students. Receipt/payment ticket must be shown to the teacher at the first class. CE scheme invoices will be issued on receipt of an Invoice Request Form. PPS number to be provided at enrolment. Course Briefing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All applicants are required to attend a course briefing before enrolling on the course. This will take place on the evening of enrolment. Applicants will then have an opportunity to discuss the course and its suitability to their learning needs.
Term	Time	Date	
Summer 2010	5pm to 6.45pm	Mon. 31st May 2010	
	5pm to 6.45pm	Wed. 2nd June 2010	
Autumn 2010	6pm to 8pm	Mon. 13th Sep. 2010	
	6pm to 8pm	Wed. 15th Sep. 2010	
	6pm to 6.45pm	Mon. 20th Sep. 2010	
	6pm to 6.45pm	Wed. 22nd Sep. 2010	
Spring 2011	6pm to 8pm	Mon. 17th Jan. 2011	
	6pm to 8pm	Wed. 19th Jan. 2011	
	6pm to 6.45pm	Mon. 24th Jan. 2011	
	6pm to 6.45pm	Wed. 26th Jan. 2011	
Year 2			
Term	Time	Dates	
Summer 2011	6pm to 6.45pm	Mon. 30th May 2010	
	6pm to 6.45pm	Wed. 1st June 2010	
Autumn 2011	6pm to 8pm	Mon. 12th Sep. 2010	
	6pm to 8pm	Wed. 14th Sep. 2010	
	6pm to 6.45pm	Mon. 19th Sep. 2010	
	6pm to 6.45pm	Wed. 21st Sep. 2010	
Spring 2012	6pm to 8pm	Mon. 16th Jan. 2011	
	6pm to 8pm	Wed. 18th Jan. 2011	
	6pm to 6.45pm	Mon. 23rd Jan. 2011	
	6pm to 6.45pm	Wed. 25th Jan. 2011	
			Venue
			Liberties College Bull Alley Street Dublin 8 t. +353 (0)1 454 0044

Examinations and Portfolio Submission Schedule

Year 1			
Autumn Term			
Examination	Examination Date/Time	Portfolio	Submission Date/Time
Legal Studies	Mon. 29th Nov. 2010 7.00pm to 9.00pm	Legal Studies	Mon. 13th Dec. 2010 7.00pm to 8.00pm
Criminal Law	Wed. 8th Dec. 2010 7.00pm to 9.00pm	Criminal Law	Wed. 8th Dec. 2010 7.00pm to 8.00pm
Spring Term			
Examination	Examination Date/Time	Portfolio	Submission Date/Time
		Workplace Statutory Policies and Procedures	Mon. 4th Apr. 2011 7.00pm to 8.00pm
Business Law	Wed. 6th Apr. 2011 7.00pm to 9.00pm	Business Law	Wed. 6th Apr. 2011 7.00pm to 8.00pm