



Law

“ I cannot express how valuable Griffith College has been in kickstarting my career in law. The lecturers were incredibly helpful and skilled, and the Law Faculty as a whole went above and beyond to ensure each person reached their fullest potential. I made friends for life with, not only my classmates, but also the lecturers and employees of Griffith College, which will make me miss the campus more.

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Amy Lee
LLB (Hons) in Law Graduate
Chairperson of the Mooting and
Debating society
Caseworker for the Irish
Innocence Project

Courses

LL.B (Hons)

LL.B (Hons) Blended

Diploma Legal Studies and
Practice

Certificate in Legal Studies

Certificate in Legal Practice

Certificate in Mediation

Best Bits of Griffith Law

Recognition by Professional Bodies

On completion of the LL.B. (Hons) graduates can apply to sit the entrance exams for the Law Society of Ireland and The Honorable Society of King's Inns.

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Leading Practical Pedagogy and Clinical Skills Development

The courses provide a practical, clinical education encompassing debating, court visits and moot courts.



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3 Library Resources

The Griffith College library is a subscriber to JustisOne, Westlaw, HeinOnline and Bloomsbury, some of the world's premier legal research engines.



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Student Societies

We have a vibrant Law Society and national and international award winning debating and mooting societies. Student members enjoy the benefits of these thriving, dynamic societies and are encouraged to join.



Student Intranet

Griffith College facilitates web-based learning on Moodle, the learner intranet system.

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Why Griffith College?



Excellent reputation

Smaller classes guarantee individualised attention



Placements with industry available to Griffith learners

Car parking for learners



Flexible fee payment structures available



Dublin and Cork City location



Law Society

Throughout the academic year the Law Society schedules a variety of activities for learners in addition to a series of talks by prominent members of the legal community.

Advocacy Society

The Advocacy Society provides learners with the opportunity to partake in organised learner debates. Students are encouraged to participate in prestigious international and national debates such as the annual Irish Times debate.

The Advocacy Society encourages legal debate among learners by way of written submission and oral presentation. The society encourages teams to enter renowned national and international intervarsity moots such as the Silken Thomas Intersvarsity Moot Court Competition.

Students receive expert guidance and coaching from experienced, practising lawyers.

Work Experience

Griffith College and the Law Faculty offer an inhouse careers service that helps learners draft their Curriculum Vitae, and assist with interview skills. We also provide assistance in securing work placement opportunities.

Brehon Law Internships

Each year a number of our learners complete a summer internship in Philadelphia. This is organised in conjunction with the Philadelphia Brehon Law Society.

Free Legal Advice Clinic (FLAC)

Our free legal advice clinic provides learners with an opportunity to work alongside professionals in providing legal advice to staff and learners in the College.

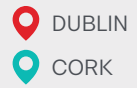
Griffith College Innocence Project

Griffith College offers learners the opportunity to earn credit towards their degree by working with the Innocence Project, which is housed on-site at Griffith College. There, learners work under the close supervision of practising solicitors and barristers to help to analyse case materials and to liaise with clients with a view to exonerating those clients who may have been wrongfully convicted.

Extra Curricular Activities



LL.B. (Hons)



About the Course

LL.B. comes from the Latin – Legum Baccalaureus- Bachelor of Laws. A highly focused discipline, law examines how groups and individuals regulate their relationships. With the LL.B. (Hons), learners can tailor their degrees to suit their interests with a combination of core legal modules in each year of study along with a range of elective practically-orientated modules in the second and third years. There is also a variety of assessment types to reflect how different learners learn including written assignments, end of term examinations and continuous assessment.

Our panel of experienced Law Lecturers, many of whom are practitioners in their field, provide intensive assignment and exam feedback sessions to all learners on an individual basis. In order to support learners in their studies, the Griffith College Library has extensive facilities and is a subscriber, for example, to JustisOne, Bloomsbury Professional and Westlaw.ie, some of the world's premier legal research engines. Griffith College also facilitates web-based LL.B. learning on Moodle, the learner intranet system. The College Moodle system also allows for ongoing contact and engagement between learners and their lecturers outside of formal teaching times by providing facilities such as an online learner discussion forum for each class.

Course Delivery

The programme is available both full-time and part-time. Classes run from September to May and both full-time and part-time programmes can be completed in three years.

The full time degree consists of up to 16 lecture hours per week. Extra time is allocated to assignment work and to the vital independent study that shapes attitude, deepens understanding, and provides learners with practical exposure to problem-solving.

Part time learners will have classes two evenings per week from 6pm to 10pm.

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Course duration: **3 years**
Award Level: **Level 8**
Validated by: **QQI**
CAO Code: **See page 21**

Progression

The LL.B. (Hons) Programme aims to develop a learner's critical capabilities to the fullest, to enhance their communication skills and capacities and develop their clinical skills.

At the outset, graduating with the Griffith College LL.B. (Hons) degree will prepare you to undertake the Law Society of Ireland's entrance examination and progress towards your qualification as a solicitor. As the first College in the non-University sector to have its degrees recognised by the Honorable Society of the King's Inns for the purpose of admission to its annual entrance exams, graduating with the Griffith College LL.B. (Hons) Degree also allows you to progress to the five entrance exams of the Honorable Society of King's Inns and to complete the Barrister at Law degree in just one year.

For those wishing to pursue postgraduate opportunities, the LL.B. (Hons) provides a foundation for a Masters programme in Law (LL.M.). Many of our graduates go on to complete an LL.M. in an area of their choice. Griffith College also offers a range of LL.M. Programmes. An LL.M. is a great foundation to a PhD and can be completed by classes or research. The LL.B. (Hons) Degree also lends itself to stimulating career opportunities across a range of areas including Journalism, Media, Finance, Public Administration, Human Rights and Commerce.

It has been crafted and refined by the seasoned input of distinguished academics and professionals as well as the College's expert full-time and associate lecturing staff. The degree combines academic depth with legal training to industry standards to provide learners with a solid foundation for their future careers.

Course Content

Learners will study core subjects and pick electives allowing them to tailor their degree. This allows the learner to focus on key areas that they are interested in such as criminal law, family law or corporate law.

STAGE 1	STAGE 2	STAGE 3
<p>Learners complete five core modules;</p> <p>Introduction to Law and Legal Skills</p> <p>Law of Torts</p> <p>Law of Contract</p> <p>Criminal Law</p> <p>Information Technology Skills</p>	<p>Learners complete three core modules:</p> <p>Constitutional Law</p> <p>Land Law</p> <p>Company Law</p> <p>Learners complete three electives* modules from five of the following modules;</p> <p>Administrative Law</p> <p>Criminology</p> <p>Law of Evidence</p> <p>Family Law</p> <p>Employment Law</p> <p>Mediation</p> <p>Medical Law</p> <p>Public International Law</p> <p>Privacy and Data Protection Law</p>	<p>Learners complete four core modules;</p> <p>Equity and Trusts</p> <p>European Union Law</p> <p>Jurisprudence</p> <p>Professional Practice, Research and Advocacy</p> <p>Learners complete up to four elective* modules from eight of the following modules (number dependent on credits awarded);</p> <p>Intellectual Property Law</p> <p>International Human Rights Law</p> <p>Revenue Law</p> <p>Media Law</p> <p>Miscarriages of Justice</p> <p>Law of Banking and Finance</p> <p>Commercial Law</p> <p>Arbitration</p> <p>Dissertation</p> <p>Innocence Project</p> <p>Advanced Jurisprudence</p>

*Electives are run subject to demand



LL.B.

(Hons) (via Blended Learning)

About the Course

The undergraduate law programme is an innovative and interactive teaching and learning experience, delivered through a combination of online and classroom-based learning. Each module is conducted via weekly online lectures and activities to be reviewed at the learner's convenience, alongside these are weekly assigned reading. In addition to this, there are periodic tutorial-style live "webinars" via conferencing technology and classroom-based workshops, or 'live' days, which take place on Saturdays twice a month generally, though the frequency can change depending upon individual workload and the level of the programme.

The LL.B. (Hons) programme delivered via blended learning is fully comparable to the full-time and part-time programmes at Griffith College and only the mode of delivery differs, providing learners with professional or personal commitments, and those living outside of the greater Dublin area, with a more flexible offering.

This programme is validated by QQI at Level 8 on the National Framework of Qualifications and content and assessment are identical to the full-time and part-time LL.B. (Hons) programmes.

Learners visit the Dublin campus as mentioned on a monthly basis for 'live' days for each programme, and, they have access to all facilities provided to full-time and part-time learners, as well as the option of participating in the wide range of extra-curricular activities undertaken by full-time and part-time law learners at Griffith College, such as mooting, debating, FLAC and the Law Society.

Learners must have a good quality laptop with a functioning webcam, an external microphone headset, access to high-speed broadband, and, importantly, the motivation, discipline and commitment to work as independent learners.

Course Delivery

LL.B. (Hons) learners studying via blended learning will engage with both virtual and classroom-based learning environments, providing them with both legal knowledge as well as the computer skills necessary to excel in the modern-day workplace upon completion of their studies.

Weekly pre-recorded video lectures are supplemented with weekly Moodle activities to reinforce learning, such as conducting research for contributions to a discussion forum, a topic glossary or discussion-based topic page, as well as undertaking online quizzes and contributing to blogs on subjects covered. Learners are also assigned weekly reading based on the lecture topics.

The live "webinars" mentioned are virtual tutorials between learners and their lecturer using video-conferencing software and enable learners to engage with lecturers on topics covered, facilitating learner presentations, debates and even moot courts online. Learners attend campus for 'live' days for each programme on a monthly basis generally; 'live' days consist in structured discussions and activities, such as group or project work, or Q&A sessions with lecturers.

Progression

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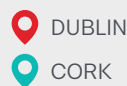
Course Content

Flexibility is offered to LL.B. (Hons) learners studying via blended learning, who have the freedom to access programme content at their convenience alongside comparatively fewer obligations to attend campus than those of part-time and full-time learners.

STAGE 1	STAGE 2	STAGE 3
<p>Learners complete five core modules;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introduction to Irish Law and Legal Skills Law of Torts Law of Contract Criminal Law Information Technology Skills 	<p>Learners complete three core modules:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Constitutional Law Land Law Company Law <p>Learners complete three elective* modules from five of the following modules:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Administrative Law Criminology Law of Evidence Family Law Employment Law Mediation Medical Law Public International Law Privacy and Data Protection Law 	<p>Learners complete four core modules;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Equity and Trusts European Union Law Jurisprudence Professional Practice, Research and Advocacy <p>Learners complete up to five elective* modules from seven of the following modules (number dependent on credits awarded):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Intellectual Property Law International Human Rights Law Revenue Law Media Law Miscarriages of Justice Law of Banking and Finance Commercial Law Arbitration Dissertation Innocence Project Advanced Jurisprudence

*Electives are offered based on demand, and not all electives may be offered in a given academic year.

Diploma in Legal Studies and Practice (Special Purpose Award)



About the Course

Griffith College Law Faculty offers this programme on a part-time basis over one or two academic years. The programme runs over three evenings per week for those studying over one academic year, or up to two evenings per week for those studying over two academic years. Lectures are held from 6.00pm - 10.00pm each evening. Learners can attend lectures either on campus, synchronously via Livestream or asynchronously online via recorded lectures. Students must attend workshops and examinations on campus.

Every module runs over five teaching weeks, followed by two reading weeks and a week of examinations. Assessment varies from module to module and comprises of a combination of essays, workshops, case studies, case briefs, reflective journals and examinations.

Once you successfully complete all twelve modules you will be awarded a Diploma in Legal Studies and Practice, validated by QQI and endorsed by the Irish Institute of Legal Executives. Diploma graduates are eligible for enrolment as Associate Members of IILEX, and all participants are eligible to become Student Members of the Institute.

Entry Requirements

Applicants should be over 23 years of age on the 1st January in year of admission. Applicants under 23 years of age must meet the standard entry requirements for a Level 7 programme (min. 5O6/

H7s). They are also assessed on the basis of work experience and may also be interviewed in advance of admission.

Course Delivery

All lectures are recorded and uploaded onto our intranet called Moodle. You can view these lectures when you want and as often as you like. All programme materials are also uploaded onto Moodle for you to access, as well as any practical exercises which take place during class time.

All learners must attend a practical four-hour weekend workshop in the following modules: Professional and Academic Preparedness and Skills, Civil Litigation, Criminal Practice and Procedure, and Conveyancing. These workshops provide learners with the opportunity to demonstrate the skills they have acquired during these four practical modules.

Progression

Learners who complete the DLSP may go on to join the second year of the LL.B. (Hons) Programme. On completion of the DLSP learners may apply to become legal executives, apply their knowledge in a variety of other roles including HR, SME's, law enforcement, public bodies, managerial positions or many other areas of personal interest.

Course Content

Learners may complete the programme over one or two years.

BLOCK 1	BLOCK 2	BLOCK 3	BLOCK 4
Introduction to the Irish Legal System Law of Contract Professional and Academic Preparedness and Skills	Law of Tort Constitutional Law and Judicial Review Civil Litigation	Land Law Conveyancing Criminal Law	Criminal Practice and Procedure Probate Law* Employment Law* Company Law* Family Law*

* Students complete two electives in Block 4

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 Course duration: **1 or 2 years**
 Award Level: **Level 7**
 Validated by: **QQI**

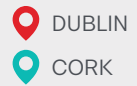


“ I found the course extremely useful in that it provided me with an insight to the legal world and how law operates on a day to day basis. ”

Richie Crowley
Diploma in Legal Studies
and Practice Graduate



Certificate in Legal Studies (Special Purpose Award)



About the Course

The Certificate in Legal Studies provides learners with a legal academic experience which is rooted in legal theory. The programme comprises of eight academic modules and is offered on a part-time basis over one academic year. The modules taught on the course are predominantly academic in nature and provide learners with a theoretical overview of the Irish legal system, including a thorough understanding of private and public law as well as the opportunity to study two electives of the learner's choosing.

The programme is aimed at those learners who wish to gain a qualification in law for personal or professional reasons, but who don't want to complete the four practical modules offered on the Diploma in Legal Studies and Practice. If learners wish to progress, they can move into the Diploma programme or the LLB (Hons) with exemptions.

Course Delivery

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 Course duration: **Part time, 1 year**
 Award Level: **QQI level 7 (40 ECTS)**
Special Purpose Award
 Validated by: **QQI**

Course Content

BLOCK	MODULE TITLE
1	Introduction to the Irish Legal System (5 ECTS)
	Law of Contract (5 ECTS)
2	Law of Tort (5 ECTS)
	Constitutional Law and Judicial Review (5 ECTS)
3	Criminal Law (5 ECTS)
	Land Law (5 ECTS)
4	Probate Law (E) (5 ECTS)
	Family Law (E) (5 ECTS)
	Company Law (E) (5 ECTS)
	Employment Law (E) (5 ECTS)

Entry Requirements

Applicants for the Certificate in Legal Studies should hold a minimum QQI level 5 qualification. In addition, candidates should have at least 1 year of relevant legal work experience.

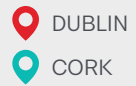
Progression

Learners who have successfully completed modules of the embedded awards may apply for direct entry into the Diploma in Legal Studies and Practice (Principal Programme) and will receive exemptions for the modules already completed.

Graduates of the CLS and CLP programmes may apply to transfer with exemptions into Stage I of the College's LLB programme



Certificate in Legal Practice (Special Purpose Award)



About the Course

The Certificate in Legal Practice provides learners with the practical skills required by those working in a legal environment. Upon completion of the programme, graduates will have gained the requisite drafting, negotiation, research, legal writing and problem-solving skills required by the industry of its legal professionals. This programme comprises of four modules and is offered on a part time basis over one academic year.

The modules taught on the course are predominantly practical in nature and provide learners with skills that can be directly transferable into the legal workplace. Successful completion of these practical modules enables graduates to demonstrate proficiency in using key workplace skills and tools such as verbal communication, proficiency in the use of electronic databases, familiarity with legal documents and procedures, legal research and writing. If learners wish to progress, they can move into the Diploma programme or the LLB (Hons) with exemptions.



Apply direct: www.griffith.ie
Course duration: **Part time, 1 year**
Award Level: **QQI Level 7 (20 ECTS)
Special Purpose Award**
Validated by: **QQI**

Course Content

BLOCK	MODULE TITLE
1	Professional and Academic Preparedness and Skills (5 ECTS)
2	Civil Litigation (5 ECTS)
3	Conveyancing (5 ECTS)
4	Criminal Practice and Procedure (5 ECTS)

Course Delivery

All lectures are recorded and uploaded onto our intranet called Moodle. You can view these lectures when you want and as often as you like. All programme materials are also uploaded onto Moodle for you to access, as well as any practical exercises which take place during class time.

All learners must attend a practical four-hour weekend workshop in the following modules: Professional and Academic Preparedness and Skills, Civil Litigation, Criminal Practice and Procedure, and Conveyancing. These workshops provide learners with the opportunity to demonstrate the skills they have acquired during these more practical modules.

Entry Requirements

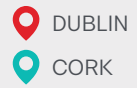
Applicants will hold a legal qualification at levels 6 to 8 of the NFQ. It is anticipated that the majority of learners will also have some prior legal experience.

Progression

Learners who have successfully completed modules of the embedded awards may apply for direct entry into the Diploma in Legal Studies and Practice (Principal Programme) and will receive exemptions for the modules already completed. Graduates can also progress to Stage 1 of the LL.B. (Hons).



Certificate in Mediation (Special Purpose Award)



About the Course

This programme runs on a part-time basis over two semesters. The lecturers are experienced mediators, academics and conflict management trainers with many years' experience in both practice and training. The graduates of this programme will be eligible to apply to The Mediators Institute of Ireland (The MII) for membership. The faculty will provide much pastoral care and career support. The overall aim of this Special Purpose Award is to ensure that the learner will be a highly effective and self-reflective mediator with advanced knowledge of the principles of mediation and the mediation process. By enabling participants to gain an in-depth understanding of the concepts and methods underlying the development and use of mediation, the programme seeks to actualise their ability to implement the skills to practice.

Furthermore, the programme seeks to equip the graduate with an awareness of the impact of conflict behaviour on mediation, both from the mediator and third party perspective. Teaching and assessment will emphasise the necessity of inherent emotional intelligence in this regard on the part of the mediator. It is sought to inculcate this by introducing the learner to both academic reading and structured self-reflection on the area. By including the Conflict Dynamics Profile-Individual (CDP-I) within the programme as a personal profiling and self-reflection tool, learners get valuable insights into their own current traits as mediators and the potential impact of conflict triggers on themselves and others. Finally, the programme has the further objective of demystifying the law surrounding mediation in order that the learner may embark upon a career involving the use of mediation within their work place.

Course Delivery

The Certificate in Mediation is delivered over the course of seven months, on Saturdays with a three week interval between workshops.

Apply direct: www.griffith.ie
Course duration: **Part time**
Award Level: **Level 8**
Special Purpose Award
Validated by: **QQI**

Course Content

The Certificate in Mediation comprises three core modules;

BLOCK	MODULE TITLE
1	Mediation and Conflict Resolution
2	Mediation Ethics and Regulatory Framework
3	Mediation in Practice

Progression

The knowledge, skills and competencies developed in the area of mediation will be transferable to both mediation practice and further postgraduate studies. This is not confined to the area of law and dispute resolution but can transfer into business, social studies, community affairs, and across any area of life where conflict may arise. Learners who complete this programme will have a range of skills that will be attractive across sectors as a result of acquired skills such as critical thinking and evaluation, ability to self-manage and self-evaluate, independent learning, conflict management, communication, active listening and mediation.

The skills acquired on this programme help the graduate become a more effective communicator and resource in any workplace. The mediation industry is becoming established in Ireland and the robust nature of this qualification will give a graduate a unique selling point as compared with other non-academic programmes designed to accredit mediators.

“ I was an older student being over 30 years since I attended college, so naturally I was a bit apprehensive. The lecturers we had were excellent, the help we got on every module was very hands on. In my view mediation is the only way to resolve disputes and conflicts between two parties. ”
Tom Ruddle, Certificate in Mediation Graduate

