

Programme Specification (Undergraduate)

FOR ENTRY YEAR: 2024/25

1. Programme titles

LLB Law with a Modern Language

a) **HECOS Code**

HECOS Code	%
100485	75%
100323 or 100326 or	25%
100332 or 100321	

b) UCAS Code

M2R9

2. Awarding body or institution:

University of Leicester

3. a) Mode of study

Full-time

b) Type of study

Campus-based

4. Registration periods:

LLB Law with a Modern Language

The normal period of registration is four years*

The maximum period of registration six years

5. Typical entry requirements

A/AS Levels: Three A levels. General Studies accepted. Typical Offer: AAB from 3 A levels, EPQ with A-Levels: ABB +EPQ at Grade B.

Access to HE Diploma: Pass, with at least 45 credits at Level 3, including some at Distinction

International Baccalaureate: Pass with 33 points (with two grade 6s at Higher level)

BTEC Nationals: Overall results of D*D*D and must have a strong GCSE profile.

English Language requirement: GCSE: English Language at grade 4 / IELTS: 6.5.

6. Accreditation of Prior Learning

APL will not be accepted for exemptions from individual modules, however may be considered for direct entry to year 2, on a case by case basis and subject to the general provisions of the University APL policy.

^{*}students are required to spend the third year of this programme as a year abroad

7. Programme aims

The programme aims to

- give future lawyers the linguistic competences required in today's transnational environment;
- provide a stimulating intellectual environment informed by the Law School and the School of Modern Languages research and teaching strengths;
- develop a critical understanding of the national and European legal orders;
- develop skills in legal reasoning, including problem solving, synthesis and logical analysis;
- develop a knowledge and understanding of cognate areas of law, including an awareness of principles and values, and of ethics;
- develop an appreciation of the social and policy issues underlying the law;
- develop an appreciation of the different approaches to the study of law adopted by different types of legal scholars and in different countries;
- develop legal research skills;
- develop transferable skills, particularly in oral and written communication, independent learning including engagement with students' own personal and professional development and integrity, and information handling, including the ability to work with a range of data;
- develop linguistic and methodological skills in the language of study;
- develop informed and critical understanding of cultures connected to the language of study and enabling real understanding of civil law systems;
- equip students with subject-specific and transferable skills in preparation for employment not only in the legal profession, but also in a variety of highly skilled and analytical roles in business, finance, education, public policy, public service, social services in the UK and internationally.

8. Reference points used to inform the programme specification

- QAA Benchmarking Statement
- Framework for Higher Education Qualifications (FHEQ)
- UK Quality Code for Higher Education
- University Education Strategy
- <u>University Assessment Strategy</u> [Login required]
- University of Leicester Periodic Developmental Review Report
- External Examiners' reports (annual)
- United Nations Education for Sustainable Development Goals
- Student Destinations Data

9. Programme Outcomes

Unless otherwise stated, programme outcomes apply to all awards specified in 1. Programme title(s).

a) Discipline specific knowledge and competencies

i) Mastery of an appropriate body of knowledge

Intended Learning Outcomes	Teaching and Learning Methods	How Demonstrated?
Demonstrate knowledge of various cognate bodies of Law and the principal features of the national and European legal institutions (BS2.4iv).	Lectures, tutorials, seminars, directed study and independent research across the whole range of modules.	Essays, examinations, seminar presentations and contributions to tutorial discussions, all of which involve problem solving and discussion topics.
Language Demonstrate knowledge of the structures, registers and varieties of the language of study.	Language Spoken and written language classes including language laboratory classes. On-line grammar practice. Summer programmes and year abroad in target countries.	Language Weekly formative language assignments, including exercises marked on line, examinations, role- plays and presentations in language of study. Essays, portfolios, presentations, sequence analyses, examinations.

ii) Understanding and application of key concepts and techniques

Intended Learning Outcomes	Teaching and Learning Methods	How Demonstrated?
Demonstrate awareness of and be able to show understanding through explaining a substantial range of major concepts, principles and rules of law and the legal institutions values of law and justice and of ethics, as well as theories and context (BS 2.4iii and iv).	Lectures, tutorials, seminars, directed reading and independent research across the whole range of modules.	Essays, examinations, seminar presentations and contributions to tutorial discussions, all of which involve problem solving and discussion topics.
<u>Language</u>	<u>Language</u>	<u>Language</u>
Demonstrate understanding of the principles of phonology, syntax and discourse required to analyse the language of study.	Language classes.	Tests and examinations. Contextualised translating and interpreting tasks.
Demonstrate the ability to use techniques for translating and interpreting between language of study and English.		

iii) Critical analysis of key issues

Intended Learning Outcomes	Teaching and Learning Methods	How Demonstrated?
Demonstrate intellectual independence including the ability to analyse, synthesise, critically assess and evaluate doctrinal and policy issues in the substantive and theoretical legal subjects studied (BS2.4ix). The ability to ask and answer cogent questions and identify gaps in own knowledge (BS2.4i). This includes the ability to recognise ambiguity and deal with uncertainty in law (BS2.4viii).	Lectures, tutorials, seminars, directed reading and independent research across the whole range of modules.	Essays, examinations, seminar presentations and contributions to tutorial discussions, all of which involve problem solving and discussion topics.
Language Demonstrate the ability to analyse through appropriate methodologies aspects of culture, linguistic contexts, political and social structures of language of study.	Language Lectures, seminars, independent reading and research.	Language Essays, seminar presentations, examinations, contributions to discussion.

iv) Clear and concise presentation of material

Intended Learning Outcomes	Teaching and Learning Methods	How Demonstrated?
Demonstrate the ability to communicate orally and in writing, knowledge, legal reasoning and the awareness of policy issues (BS2.4xi).	Lectures, tutorials, seminars, directed reading and independent research across the whole range of modules.	Essays, examinations, seminar presentations and contributions to tutorial discussions, all of which involve problem solving and discussion topics.
Demonstrate the ability to present coherent arguments based on research and personal synthesis of material.	Lectures, tutorials, seminars, directed reading and independent research across the whole range of modules.	Essays, examinations, seminar presentations and contributions to tutorial discussions, all of which involve problem solving and discussion topics.
Language Demonstrate the ability to give a presentation in language of study.	Language Seminar presentations and oral examinations	Language Assessed presentations and oral examinations

v) Critical appraisal of evidence with appropriate insight

Intended Learning Outcomes	Teaching and Learning Methods	How Demonstrated?
Demonstrate the ability to use primary and secondary legal, and other, sources to present reasoned and critical analyses and arguments, including the ability to recognise ambiguity and deal with uncertainty in law (BS2.4viii).	Lectures, tutorials, seminars, directed reading and independent research across the whole range of modules.	Essays, examinations, seminar presentations and contributions to tutorial discussions, all of which involve problem solving and discussion topics
Language Demonstrate the ability to synthesise and evaluate relevant literature and internet material on the subjects studied.	<u>Language</u> Research tasks.	<u>Language</u> Assessed research projects.
Demonstrate awareness of cultural and political reference systems pertinent to language of study.	Lectures, seminars, independent reading, requirement to watch and listen TV/Internet news and resources in target language.	Essays, examinations, reporting back on news in spoken classes conducted in language of study.

vi) Other discipline specific competencies

Intended Learning Outcomes	Teaching and Learning Methods	How Demonstrated?
Demonstrate the ability to conduct independent legal research using library resources and legal databases. This includes the accurate identification of issues which require researching, retrieval and evaluation of accurate, current and relevant information from a range of appropriate sources, including primary legal sources (BS2.4vi).	Written work, presentations for seminars and tutorials, directed reading.	Assessed coursework, seminar presentations and contribution to tutorial discussions.
Language Demonstrate intercultural awareness and understanding.	<u>Language</u> Seminar discussion, study of current news.	<u>Language</u> Seminar presentations and essays

b) Transferable skills

i) Oral communication

Intended Learning Outcomes	Teaching and Learning Methods	How Demonstrated?
Display the ability to present reasoned arguments with clarity and coherence, and where requested respond to questions and instructions in relation to legal matters (BS2.4xi).	Seminars, tutorials, group work, individual consultations with staff and feedback on presentations.	Oral communication skills are demonstrated in tutorials both in Leicester and the partner institution abroad
Language Display the ability to communicate in language of study in a fluent, accurate and appropriate manner. Demonstrate the ability to give well-structured and effective oral presentations demonstrating awareness of audience	Language Spoken language classes, language laboratory sessions, residence abroad. Seminar presentations, oral examination practice followed by feedback. Translating and interpreting tasks	Language Role-play exercises and simulations, oral examinations. Assessed seminar presentations, oral examinations. Assessed translating and interpreting tasks.
Demonstrate the ability to mediate and interpret between British culture and cultures pertinent to language of study.		

ii) Written communication

Intended Learning Outcomes	Teaching and Learning Methods	How Demonstrated?
Demonstrate the ability to write in a suitable academic style, and where required, respond to questions and instructions; to be critical and analytical; and to present data clearly in written forms of communication (BS2.4ix and xi).	Provision of writing guides, supervisions, formative coursework, preparation for seminars/tutorials, problem-solving exercises, independent research, individual consultations with staff and feedback on coursework and assessed work.	Assessed coursework, essay-based examinations, dissertation, group projects, and critical commentary.
Language Produce texts of various types demonstrating accuracy and appropriate discourse conventions.	Language Weekly language assignments including register exercises, study of and practice in reproducing discourse features of a variety of text types.	Language Assessed language tasks, examination.
Demonstrate the ability to produce accurate translations between language of study and English.	Translation classes.	Assessed translation tasks, examination.

iii) Information technology

Intended Learning Outcomes	Teaching and Learning Methods	How Demonstrated?
Demonstrate the ability to use the internet and specific electronic information retrieval systems, use of new learning technologies. To be able to produce a word-processed essay or other text in accordance with a standard template. Use IT effectively to support their studies including use of IT for bibliographic and archive searches, data analysis and written/visual presentation of work.	Support is provided by Law School staff and open access computer facilities are available to all students. Computer practical classes, use of discussion boards and wikis on Blackboard and independent study. On-line grammar practice, other computer-assisted language learning (CALL) activities, bulletin boards in target languages, use of internet for research, use of IT to present material.	Students are expected to word process their written work. Essays, online discussion forums, technology-based exercises, problem-based exercises and other forms of assessed coursework. On-line and Blackboard exercises as requirement in Modern Languages, critical appraisal of internet material in presentations.

iv) Numeracy

Intended Learning	Teaching and Learning Methods	How Demonstrated?
Outcomes		
Demonstrate the ability to analyse, interpret and present relevant data, including textual, numerical and statistical, using statistical and graphical techniques; to make simple mathematical calculations (BS2.4vii).	The use of basic statistics and the ability to make simple mathematical calculations are included in a number of modules and are developed in lectures, tutorials and written work in those modules.	Law Essays, examinations and tutorials, technology-based exercises, problem-based exercises and other forms of assessed coursework.

v) Team working

Intended Learning Outcomes	Teaching and Learning Methods	How Demonstrated?
Demonstrate the ability to work in a group as a participant who contributes effectively to the group task including collaborative planning	Students are expected to collaborate as part of tutorial/seminar preparation and in their oral and written language classes.	Group work assignments and/or project work, tutorial activities and Blackboard exercises; willingness to work collaboratively (BS2.4i),.
	In the Law School, students are given the opportunity to participate in the team competitions of mooting, client interviewing and negotiation.	
	In the School of Modern Languages, students do pair and group tasks in oral classes.	

vi) Problem solving

Intended Learning Outcomes	Teaching and Learning Methods	How Demonstrated?
Demonstrate the ability to apply knowledge to situations of varying complexity and to provide solutions to actual or hypothetical problems.	Lectures, tutorials, team problem solving exercises and seminars. Assignment tasks involving increasing levels of critical engagement as programme proceeds, error analysis through use of marking system.	Essays, examinations, tutorials, technology-based exercises, problem-based exercises and other forms of assessed coursework and the ability to self-correct language work.

vii) Information handling

Intended Learning Outcomes	Teaching and Learning Methods	How Demonstrated?
Demonstrate the ability, through directed and independent study, to gather and deploy material.	Lectures, tutorials and seminars, directed reading.	Tutorials, seminars, coursework and examinations.
Language Demonstrate the ability to examine information and identify referential structure of texts.	Language Language classes, comprehension exercises.	<u>Language</u> Assessed comprehension tasks.
Demonstrate the ability to produce translations, résumés in the target language and between target and source languages.	Work on résumé and translation in language classes.	Assessed résumés and translations
Demonstrate the ability to make a personal synthesis of information gathered from paper, audio-visual and electronic sources in target and native languages.		

viii) Skills for lifelong learning

Intended Learning Outcomes	Teaching and Learning Methods	How Demonstrated?
Demonstrate the ability to reflect on their learning to acknowledge and correct errors, to identify gaps in own knowledge, and to make effective use of feedback (BS2.4xii). The development of transferable skills. The ability to plan and undertake tasks in area of law studied. Demonstrate the ability to undertake independent research; to demonstrate the ability to show intellectual independence through the completion of tasks and the analysing of questions; to demonstrate the capacity for time management; and to demonstrate the capacity for	Career advice, including on the legal profession and postgraduate study. Guidance through seminars, consultations and structured feedback sessions to assist planning for personal and educational development. Career development guidance from the School's Careers Tutors, structured sessions with the Career Development Service. Provision of information and guidance on referencing.	The progressive nature of modules from year to year and the corresponding assessment of them and of the programme as a whole. Successful completion of assessment for each module studied. Graduate surveys. Via the award of the Employability Certificate or through exercises in classes relating to career planning, volunteering, interview techniques, CV writing, preparing applications and marketing. Completion of online Plagiarism Tutorial.
independent study, self- organisation, and self-approval (BS2.4i,ii,vi). Demonstrate engagement with own personal and professional development and academic		
integrity (BS2.4xii). Language Demonstrate strategies for selfmonitoring and continued maintenance and development	Language Development of metalinguistic awareness through language classes, tasks designed to expand repertoire in language of study.	Language Language assignments, ability to self-correct.
of skills in language of study. Demonstrate effectiveness and self-awareness as an independent learner.	Research tasks.	Essays, dissertations

10. Progression points

This programme follows the standard Scheme of Progression set out in <u>Senate Regulations</u> – see the version of Senate Regulation 5 governing undergraduate programmes relevant to the year of entry.

Students are required to complete 120 credits of taught modules delivered over two semesters each academic year (a total of 60 credits must be studied in each semester). Legal foundation modules must be passed at 40%.

Students are encouraged to attend an optional two-week summer school that is organised by the School of Modern Languages. This should be studied in the language they are studying. The summer school typically takes place during the summer vacation period at the end of the first year.

Progression from 2nd year to year abroad

At the beginning of their second year, students must submit an application to study abroad via the <u>Study Abroad Unit</u>. As the year abroad is mandatory their application will **not** be used to determine whether or not they are eligible for a place on the Study Abroad programme, but is used to prioritise students based on their preferred destinations.

To progress to the year abroad, language modules must be passed at 40%. Students need to have passed all language modules in order to progress to the year abroad.

Progression from year abroad to final year

In addition to the requirements set out in the standard Scheme of Progression in the <u>Senate</u> Regulations

Year Abroad: During the year abroad, students are required to attempt approved credits of 60 ECTS as agreed by Leicester Law School. Students should typically complete:

- 30 ECTS in law modules
- 18 ECT in modules that are cultural in nature (e.g. politics, language, and history)
- 12 ECTS in any other module of the students' choice.

These modules must be studied in the language of the host university.

If a student does not meet the above requirements, the Board of Examiners will exercise their discretion as to whether they should progress into their final year of study or be transferred to another programme of study (e.g., Law LLB). In making this decision, the Board of Examiners will have regard to Leicester Law School's mitigating circumstances policies and any procedural irregularities.

a) Course transfers

Students who have passed first or second year assessments of the LLB Law with a Modern Languages may, on giving notice in writing to the School not later than the beginning of the first semester of the next academic year, transfer to the second or final year of the LLB in Law, as the case may be.

Students transferring to the final year of the LLB in Law shall be credited with the 30 credits obtained in Modern Languages modules in the second year and these credits will be attributed to the Part 1 Final Examination.

Students who fail the year abroad element of the degree, including any resit options as per the partner institution's rules, by the August Board of the Examiners, the Board will consider whether the student should be required to transfer to the final year of the LLB in Law, taking into account overall attendance and observation of academic obligations

11. Criteria for award and classification

This programme follows the standard scheme of undergraduate award and classification set out in <u>Senate Regulations</u> – see the version of *Senate Regulation 5 governing undergraduate programmes* relevant to the year of entry. Note: legal foundation modules must be passed at 40%.

12. Special features

There will be an opportunity to consolidate linguistic skills and engage in cultural enrichment at an early stage of the programme of study through an optional two-week summer school in a country of the target language at the end of the first year of study.

In the third year, this programme offers students the opportunity for the development of study skills in the target country university following a guided programme of learning for the period spent abroad.

These exchange programmes rest upon partnerships with recognised European institutions and are the object of individual agreements with the universities concerned. The academic programmes offered by these universities have been approved through the normal channels in each country and are recognised in the United Kingdom pursuant to the principle of mutual recognition applicable to university qualifications.

13. Indications of programme quality

- Performance in the National Student Survey
- External examiners' reports
- Degree results and career destination statistics
- Annual Development Review reports
- Periodic Development Review reports
- Peer review of teaching and peer review of marking exercises
- Student-Staff Committee feedback
- Module Feedback

14. External Examiner(s) reports

The details of the External Examiner(s) for this programme and the most recent External Examiners' reports for this programme can be found at exampapers@Leicester [log-in required]



Programme Specification (Undergraduate)

Appendix 1: Programme structure (programme regulations)

The University regularly reviews its programmes and modules to ensure that they reflect the current status of the discipline and offer the best learning experience to students. On occasion, it may be necessary to alter particular aspects of a course or module.

FOR ENTRY YEAR: 2024/25

LLB Law with a Modern Language

Level 4/Year 1 LLB 2024/25

Credit breakdown

Status	Year long	Semester 1	Semester 2
Core	60 credits	30 credits	30 credits
Optional	n/a	n/a	n/a

120 credits in total

Core modules

Credits
30 credits
30 credits
15 credits
15 credits
30 credits

^{*}Legal Foundation modules

Notes: Modern Languages Modules

There are two main routes through the core language modules on this programme: One for students with well-developed abilities in a language other than English and their native language, and one for students without such abilities. The former group of students take the programme with advanced language skills; the latter group of students take the programme *ab initio*. For example, an advanced French student will take FR1010 Advanced French Language in year 1, followed by FR2010 Post-Advanced French Language in year 2. A beginners level student will take FR1040 French Beginners year 1 followed by FR2018 French Post-Beginners in year 2. These students will be taught together in final year language groups. The same pattern applies to other languages.

Students take one Modern Foreign Language (French, Italian or Spanish) from Beginners or Advanced level (30 credits) with Law (90 credits).

Summer School at the end of year 1: Students are advised to attend an optional two-week summer school, organised by the School of Modern Languages and in one of the languages (French, Italian or Spanish) they are studying, during the long vacation at the end of the first year. Students studying at beginner's level must go to the summer school in that language.

Native Speakers: Students whose native language is either French, Italian or Spanish, and who wish to study this language as part of their degree programme at Leicester, will normally be required to substitute 30 credits of ELTU modules from the range EL2001-EL2024 for the core language modules (FR1010 or IT1010 or SP1010). Students with native speaker fluency in both English, and the language they wish to study as part of their degree programme at Leicester, will be required to substitute 30 credits of cultural modules taken from the range on offer in the relevant language or ML modules for the relevant core language modules.

Level 5/Year 2 LLB Law with a Modern Language 2025/26

Credit breakdown

Status	Year long	Semester 1	Semester 2
Core	120 credits	n/a	n/a
Optional	n/a	n/a	n/a

120 credits in total

Core modules

Delivery period	Code	Title	Credits
Year long	LW2220	Criminal Law*	30 credits
Year long	LW2240	Law of EU-UK Relations*	30 credits
Year long	LW2410	The Law of Tort (Advanced)*	30 credits
Year Long		Modern Languages modules (Post-Beginners or Post-Advanced. See Notes: Modern Languages Modules above)	30 credits

*Legal Foundation modules

Year Abroad/Year 3 LLB Law with a Modern Language 2026/27

The third year will be spent abroad completing approved modules at a university in Europe. These modules will be selected from the programme of the partner institutions, amounting to 120 credits (this is typically represented as 60 ECTS by the partner universities). The modules selected must be agreed by Leicester Law School. Students should typically complete:

- 30 ECTS in law modules
- 18 ECT in modules that are cultural in nature (e.g. politics, language, and history)
- 12 ECTS in any other module of the student's choice.

These modules must be studied in the language of the host university.

Choice of modules may depend upon specific agreements with each partner institution; for example, some institutions may require more than 30 ECTS of law modules.

This year does not contribute towards the calculation of the degree classification of the LLB Law with a Modern Languages degree. However, students must attempt all assessments to progress to their final year.

If a student does not meet the above requirements, the Board of Examiners will exercise their discretion as to whether they should progress into their final year of study, or be transferred to another programme of study (e.g., Law LLB). In making this decision, the Board of Examiners will have regard to Leicester Law School's mitigating circumstances policies and any procedural irregularity.

Level 6/Year Final LLB Law with a Modern Language 2027/28

Credit breakdown

Status	Year long	Semester 1	Semester 2
Core	90 credits	n/a	n/a
Optional	30 credits	15 credits	15 credits

120 credits in total

Core modules

Delivery period	Code	Title	Credits
Year long	LW3370	Equity and Trust (Advanced)*	30 credits
Year long	LW3392	Land Law (Advanced)*	30 credits
Year long		Modern Languages modules (see Notes: Modern Languages Modules above) (FR3111/IT3010/SP3010 French/Italian/Spanish Language)	30 credits

^{*}Legal Foundation modules

Optional Law modules

Delivery period	Code	Title	Credits
Year long	LW3230	Employment Law	30 credits
Year long	LW3250	Family Law	30 credits
Year long	LW3260	Medical Law	30 credits
Year long	LW3270	Human Rights in the 21 st Century	30 credits
Year long	LW3280	International Law	30 credits
Year long	LW3294	Law in the Community: Pro Bono	15 credits
Year long	LW3320	Company Law	30 credits
Year long	LW3350	Criminology	30 credits
Year long	LW3360	Dissertation	30 credits
Year long	LW3380	Intellectual Property Law	30 credits
Year long	LW3410	Jurisprudence	30 credits
Year long	LW3420	Law of Evidence	30 credits
Year long	LW3430	Law and Political Theory	30 credits
Year long	LW3460	Immigration Law	30 credits

Delivery period	Code	Title	Credits
Year long	LW3550	Bioethics	30 credits
Semester 1	LW3213	Competition Law	15 credits
Semester 1	LW3291	Law in Practice: Legal Advice Clinic	15 credits
Semester 1	LW3311	Commercial Law: Domestic Sale of Goods and Agency	15 credits
Semester 1	LW3514	Islamic Law	15 credits
Semester 1	LW3531	Gender, Sexuality and the Law	15 credits
Semester 1	LW3561	Commercial Property Law	15 credits
Semester 1	LW3571	Dispute Resolution	15 credits
Semester 1	LW3581	International Commercial Arbitration	15 credits
Semester 1	LW3591	Criminal Justice: Policing and Prosecutions	15 credits
Semester 1	LW3631	Environmental, Climate Change and Sustainability Law	15 credits
Semester 2	LW3292	Advanced Law in Practice: Legal Advice Clinic**	15 credits
Semester 2	LW3293	Law in Practice: Legal Advice Clinic*^	15 credits
Semester 2	LW3301	Caring and the Law	15 credits
Semester 2	LW3312	Commercial Law: Introduction to International Sale of Goods	15 credits
Semester 2	LW3314	Commercial Law in a Digital World	15 credits
Semester 2	LW3511	Wills and the Administration of Estates	15 credits
Semester 2	LW3512	Corporate Governance	15 credits
Semester 2	LW3513	Animal Rights Law	15 credits
Semester 2	LW3515	Law and Religion	15 credits
Semester 2	LW3562	Real Estate in Practice	15 credits

Delivery period	Code	Title	Credits
Semester 2	LW3572	Business Law in Practice	15 credits
Semester 2	LW3592	Criminal Justice: Criminal Trials and appeals	15 credits

^{**}pre-requisite LW3291, only if LW3291 not studied in Sem 1

Notes

This is an indicative list of option modules and not definitive of what will be available. Option module choice is also subject to availability, timetabling, student number restrictions and, where appropriate, students having taken appropriate pre-requisite modules. 120 credits of approved optional modules. Credits must total 60 in each semester.

Appendix 2: Module specifications

See undergraduate <u>module specification database</u> [Login required] (Note - modules are organized by year of delivery).