



Griffith College Cork
PART-TIME COURSES 2010

Spring Study Opportunities in Law & Other Courses



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CRIMINOLOGY

Start Date:	2 February 2010
Duration:	12 weeks, Tuesday evenings 6:30 – 9:30pm
Fees:	€635.00 (Textbook and examination fees included)
ECTS Credit Points:	7.5

This is a Module from year 2 of the LLB (Hons) in Irish Law programme validated by HETAC and NTU.

Brief Outline of Criminology:

The aim of this module is to equip students with the information needed to gain an understanding of criminology; the study of crime, the causes of crime and society's responses.

The student will participate in a discussion of the definition of what constitutes a "crime". The concept of the criminal will be analysed, the social and legal responses to crime in today's society will be examined and the effect of the media over-exposure of certain types of crime will be considered, with specific reference to how this might affect public opinion of crime.

Topic 1 – The History and Theory of Criminology

Topic 2 – The Social Construction of Crime and Crime Control

Topic 3 – Dimensions of Crime

Topic 4 – Crime and Punishment

Workload

Directed Learning Time 50 hours

Independent Learning Time 25 hours

Assessment Time 15 hours

Assessment

Assignment 100%

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LAW OF EVIDENCE

Start Date:	4 February 2010
Duration:	12 weeks, Thursday evenings 6:30 – 9:30pm
Fees:	€635.00 (Textbook and examination fees included)
ECTS Credit Points:	7.5

This is a Module from year 2 of the LLB (Hons) in Irish Law programme validated by HETAC and NTU.

Brief Outline of the Law of Evidence:

- To provide students with a detailed knowledge of the various rules regarding evidence in Irish law.
- To provide the student with an understanding of the different categories of evidence; the admissibility of such evidence and the weight that should be attached to such evidence.

Workload

Directed Learning Time 50 hours

Independent Learning Time 25 hours

Assessment Time 15 hours

Learning Outcomes

The student should be able to:

- Explain and assess the rules on the admissibility of evidence
- Identify the forms of evidence which require corroboration
- Analyse the Rule Against Hearsay evidence
- Evaluate the law on illegally obtained evidence
- Analyse factual scenarios and apply their understanding of Irish rules of evidence to them
- Critically assess the rules on the competence and compellability of witnesses

Assessment

Assignment 30%

Examination 70%

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FAMILY LAW

Start Date:	2 February 2010
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Fees:	€635.00 (Textbook and examination fees included)
ECTS Credit Points:	10

This is a Module from year 3 of the LLB (Hons) in Irish Law programme validated by HETAC and NTU.

Brief Outline of Family Law:

This module aims to provide students with:

- A sound knowledge and understanding of the law regulating the formation, breakdown, and dissolution of the institution of marriage and the family unit.
- A clear and detailed understanding of the fundamental rights and duties of the State and of individuals in relation to the family and children
- Knowledge and understanding of the fundamental principles and substantive rules of Irish family law
- Knowledge of proposals for reform in line with the greater degree of family diversity in contemporary Irish society.

Workload

Directed Learning Time 30 hours

Independent Learning Time 60 hours

Assessment Time 20 hours

Learning Outcomes

On completion of this module students should be able to:

- Analyse and review the concept of marriage within the law
- Identify and appraise the rights and duties that flow from marriage
- Describe and discuss the grounds for the dissolution of marriage, procedures for attaining a judicial separation or divorce, and alternative methods of resolving disputes
- Critically discuss the key areas of child law, including adoption, guardianship, custody, access, and the exercise by the State of its powers to take the child into care.
- Appraise the law regarding matrimonial property and in particular its disposal on the breakdown of marriage.

Assessment

Assignment 30%

Examination 70%

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INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW

Start Date:	2 February 2010
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ECTS Credit Points:	10

This is a Module from year 3 of the LLB (Hons) in Irish Law programme validated by HETAC and NTU.

Brief Outline of Intellectual Property Law:

This course aims to provide the student with:

- An understanding of the principles, substantive rules and practical application of Intellectual Property Law.
- An understanding of recent Irish legislation considered in the context of the European Union law, international conventions, treaties and agreements that currently regulate this area of the law.

Workload

Directed Learning Time 30 hours

Independent Learning Time 60 hours

Assessment Time 20 hours

Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of the module students should be able to:

- Critically analyse patent law in Ireland and compare such law to other jurisdictions
- Assess the impact of copyright law
- Evaluate the effectiveness of Trade Mark legislation
- Compare and contrast the different forms of protection offered to intellectual property rights under Irish law.

Assessment

Course work 30%

Examination 70%

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HUMAN RIGHTS LAW

Start Date:	4 February 2010
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Fees:	€635.00 (Textbook and examination fees included)
ECTS Credit Points:	10

This is a Module from year 3 of the LLB (Hons) in Irish Law programme validated by HETAC and NTU.

Brief Outline of Human Rights Law:

This course aims to provide the student with:

- An understanding of the relationship between domestic law and international human rights law
- Detailed knowledge, understanding and analysis of the particular rights protected under international human rights law, especially under the ECHR
- To consider how an international atmosphere of terrorism-combat can and does affect the protection of human rights
- To develop in students the skills needed to form independent analyses of different contemporary situations.

Workload

Directed Learning Time 30 hours

Independent Learning Time 60 hours

Assessment Time 20 hours

Learning Outcomes

On module completion the student shall be able to:

- Describe the relationship between international human rights law and municipal law.
- Critically discuss the theoretical basis of international human rights law.
- Develop a clear personal analysis on the separation of rights into three generations (civil and political, social economic and cultural, and group), and whether this separation reflects liberal philosophy.
- Evaluate different elements of the European Convention on Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms
- Assess how emergency legislation can be at odds with both international and regional human rights obligations.

Assessment

Coursework 30%

Examination 70%

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CERTIFICATE & DIPLOMA IN PROFESSIONAL LEGAL STUDIES

The Irish Institute of Legal Executives and Griffith College

This programme is offered by Griffith College in conjunction with the Irish Institute of Legal Executives. While it aims to provide you with an academic grounding in the traditional core legal subjects, it maintains a focus on the practical application of these legal principles in the work environment of the legal executive.

Legal Executives assist in the processing of legal matters with solicitors, barristers, in the Courts of Ireland and within other areas of commercial and legal practice.

Qualified legal executives are employed in private practice, in the legal departments of banks and public or local authorities, as well as in industry and commerce. Working to a large extent as part of a legal team, some legal executives may specialize in areas such as conveyancing, pensions, civil litigation and insurance claims. Typically, as a graduate in employment you'll assist in the preparation, analysis and interpretation of a variety of legal documents and may prepare and file court documents. The range of activities also includes attending counsel and legal research.

Course Profile

Griffith College Professional Law School offers this course on a part-time basis, two evenings per week, over two years. A Certificate in Professional Legal Studies will be awarded on successful completion of the first year, with a Diploma in Professional Legal Studies being awarded on successful completion of the second year.

Diploma graduates are eligible for enrolment as Associate Members of the Irish Institute of Legal Executives, and all participants are eligible to become Student Members of the Institute. In terms of career progression, successful completion of the Diploma also enables entry to year two of the College's LLB degree programme in Irish Law.

Course Materials

Detailed manuals covering each area of academic study are provided at the commencement of the term. These manuals minimise the need for note-taking and enable a tutorial style approach to be taken in lectures.

A 'distance learning' course delivery option is also available for this programme. Each distance learning student receives a full set of course materials for each module undertaken. Distance learning students are invited to attend lectures on campus in the first (orientation) week.

Admission

Admission to the programme is at the discretion of the Irish Institute of Legal Executives and Griffith College Cork.

For further information on this programme please contact the Course Director of the Law School, on law@gcc.ie

OTHER EVENING COURSES

Other Evening Courses on Offer Spring 2010

Griffith College Cork

Cove Street, Sullivan's Quay, Cork

Journalism

Sports Writing

Business

ICM Diploma in Human Resource Management

ICM Diploma in Business Studies

ICM Diploma in Marketing, Advertising, PR & Sales

Supervisory Management

Law

Certificate in Legal Secretarial Skills

Psychology

Introduction to Practical Psychology

Child Psychology

Computer Skills

Certificate in Administration & Office Skills

ECDL

Computerised Payroll (Sage QuickPay)

Computerised Accounts (Sage Line50)

For more information on any of these courses, please contact our Evening Course Coordinator on 021 4507027 or evening@gcc.ie



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