

Study with us

About your course

Courses covered

Code	Title
LALLMBP	LLM Bar Practice

You can find full details of your course in the *Programme Specification*.

Important points

- The LLM Bar Practice is a combined LLM and Bar Training Course which meets the Bar Standards Board's requirements for the vocational stage of training.
- The programme is subject to the approval of the Bar Standards Board and all modules must be passed in order to gain the award.
- Students must have applied for membership of an Inn of Court at least 12 weeks before enrolling on the programme. You will be required to complete the number of qualifying sessions as proscribed by your Inn in order to be called to the Bar of England and Wales. As at September 2020, the proscribed number is **ten** qualifying sessions.
- Students must have passed the Bar Course Aptitude Test (BCAT) prior to enrolling onto the programme.
- Students will study for one year, across three semesters, covering the Stage 1 and Stage 2 BSB learning outcomes, as well as completing a legal research project in Semester C.
- Students will study the three core modules and the course skills (Civil Litigation and Alternative Dispute Resolution, Criminal Litigation, Evidence and Sentencing, Professional Ethics and Conference) during Stage 1
- In Stage 2, students will study the four key skills of Drafting, Opinion Writing, Legal Research and Advocacy.
- In Stage 3, students will complete the Bar Practice Legal Research Project alongside two from the following list of optional modules: Employment Law; Family Law; Advanced Civil Litigation; Advanced Criminal Litigation; Commercial/Company Law; Chancery.
- The range of optional (elective) modules are designed to enhance student employability by specifically focusing on the core areas of practice.
- As an LLM course, students should be able to access the postgraduate loan from Student Finance England to help offset the cost of their studies.
- Merit-based scholarships will be available to UH graduates.

- Students will be part of a thriving academic and research community within Hertfordshire Law School, with opportunities to engage with the School's Law Clinic and portfolio of co-curricular activities.

Academic Year

Academic Year 2021 – 2022

The University's academic year is made up of 3 Semesters. The LLM Legal Practice programme will sit outside the normal University structure, beginning usually in the second week of September. This programme will consist of three periods of teaching during Semesters A and B, each followed by an exam period.

- Semester A runs from Monday 6 September 2021 to Friday 21 January 2022
- Semester B runs from Monday 24 January 2022 to Friday 13 May 2022
- Semester C runs from Monday 16 May 2022 to Friday 09 September 2022

Additional expenses

Description	Year	Mandatory/Optional	Estimated cost
Books: Postgraduate study requires extensive research and access to reference works. Recommended texts are available to students through the University's e-book subscription. Hard copies are also available in the Learning Resource Centre, however, students may wish to purchase their own copies. The average price of a practitioners text is £350, although, you may be able to buy second hand copies	1	Optional	£700
Inn Membership	Prior to joining	Mandatory	£120
Bar Standards Board Charge	1	Mandatory	£870
Bar Course Aptitude Test	Prior to joining	Mandatory	£150 (UK only) £170 (rest of the world)