Law with French Law LLB

Within a dynamic and changing European context, knowledge of another European national legal system and its law is a valuable asset, both academically and professionally. This four-year programme includes a year at Université Paris II Panthéon-Assas and leads to the award of a Bachelor of Laws degree from UCL.

Key information

Programme starts
September 2018

Location
London, Bloomsbury

Degree benefits

// You will spend your third year abroad studying French Legal Studies at Université Paris II Panthéon-Assas.

// You will be taught by distinguished academics who are cutting-edge researchers in their diverse fields. Their knowledge of law and their significant experience and influence will enrich your learning.

// The international scope of our degrees is reflected in the content of different topics, itself reflecting the expertise of our staff in international and comparative law.

Research Excellence Framework (REF) 2014

The Research Excellence Framework, or REF, is the system for assessing the quality of research in UK higher education institutions. The 2014 REF was carried out by the UK’s higher education funding bodies, and the results used to allocate research funding from 2015/16.

// 84% rated 4* ("world-leading") or 3* ("internationally excellent")

Learn more about the scope of UCL’s research, and browse case studies, on our Research Impact website.

Accreditation

All UCL Laws undergraduate programmes are recognised as qualifying law degrees (QLDs) by the two main legal professional bodies—the Bar Standards Board and the Solicitors Regulation Authority—for the purpose of exemption from the academic stage of their professional examinations.

Degree structure

In each year of your degree you will take a number of individual modules, normally valued at 0.5 or 1.0 credits, adding up to a total of 4.0 credits for the year. Modules are assessed in the academic year in which they are taken. The balance of compulsory and optional modules varies from programme to programme and year to year. A 1.0 credit is considered equivalent to 15 credits in the European Credit Transfer System (ECTS).

The first two years of study are the same as the first two in the three-year LLB degree, with two exceptions:

First-year students are required to take a module in French law, taught in French and including law, legal institutions and legal terminology. The department does not offer language tuition and students will be responsible for maintaining, or, if necessary, improving their linguistic ability in French to meet the academic demands of the degree.

Second-year students are required to take the European Legal Studies module, which includes tuition in French about the law and legal system of France.

The third year of study is spent abroad at UCL’s partner university in France. The typical programme of study for this year comprises two full-year courses plus four/six one-semester courses in Civil/Private Law, Public Law and other optional courses in French Law. Exceptional students may also apply to undertake more courses during their year abroad to gain a licence qualification in addition to their LLB (subject to approval by UCL Laws).

In the final year you will return to UCL and will choose four optional modules from a list. One of them could be a research essay on a legal subject of your choice, subject to approval by the department.

Students enrolled on this programme will not be permitted to transfer to the three-year Law LLB (subject to exceptional circumstances).

YEAR ONE

Core or compulsory module(s)

// Contract Law
Criminal Law
Property Law I
Public Law
European Legal Studies (French) I

Optional modules

// All first-year modules are compulsory.

YEAR TWO

Core or compulsory module(s)

// European Legal Studies (French) II
European Union Law
Property Law II
Tort Law

Optional modules

// All second-year modules are compulsory.

YEAR THREE

Year abroad

// You will spend your third year abroad at UCL’s partner university in France.
Your application

Application for admission should be made through UCAS (the Universities and Colleges Admissions Service). Applicants currently at school or college will be provided with advice on the process; however, applicants who have left school or who are based outside the United Kingdom may obtain information directly from UCAS.

We are seeking dedicated candidates who have an aptitude for exploring arguments and ideas. Your ability to formulate and express thoughts and opinions is critical, as is a demonstration of the reasoning skills that are at the heart of a legal education. You should possess an informed interest in current affairs and in the world around you.

Candidates are assessed through their UCAS applications, the National Admissions Test for Law (LNAT) and, in some cases, by interview. You are required to take the LNAT as soon as possible after submitting your UCAS application and no later than 20 January in the year in which you are applying. Applicants must link LNAT registration details to UCL.

Your career

As a law student you will be encouraged to develop a critical awareness of how the law works and how it may be changed, to sharpen your powers of reasoning, and to develop both the technical expertise to solve legal problems and the capacity to determine whether a solution is fair and just.

The wide range of skills and subjects learned throughout your degree open up many opportunities when you graduate. Many UCL Laws graduates move directly to further vocational study and train to become solicitors or barristers. Recent graduates have also chosen employment in government, political service and commercial management. Some have selected to undertake further academic study.

First career destinations of recent graduates (2013-2015) of this programme include:

- BCL (Bachelor's of Civil Law), University of Oxford
- Law LLM, UCL
- Paralegal, TP Legal Ltd
- Marketing Executive, Telefonica
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Data taken from the 'Destinations of Leavers from Higher Education' survey undertaken by HESA looking at the destinations of UK and EU students in the 2013-2015 graduating cohorts six months after graduation.
Entry requirements

A LEVELS

Grades
A*AA

Subjects
French required.

GCSE

English Language and Mathematics at grade B or 6. For UK-based students, a grade C or 5 or equivalent in a foreign language (other than Ancient Greek, Biblical Hebrew or Latin) is required. UCL provides opportunities to meet the foreign language requirement following enrolment, further details at: www.ucl.ac.uk/ug-reqs

IB DIPLOMA

Points
39 overall.

Subjects
A score of 19 points in three higher level subjects including French at grade 6, with no score lower than 5.

OTHER QUALIFICATIONS

UCL considers a wide range of UK and international qualifications for entry into its undergraduate programmes. Full details are given at: www.ucl.ac.uk/otherquals

UNDERGRADUATE PREPARATORY CERTIFICATES (International foundation courses)

The Undergraduate Preparatory Certificates (UPCs) are intensive one-year foundation courses for international students of high academic potential who are aiming to gain access to undergraduate degree programmes at UCL and other top UK universities.

Typical UPC students will be high achievers in a 12-year school system which does not meet the standard required for direct entry to UCL.

For more information see: www.ucl.ac.uk/upc.

TUITION FEES

The fees indicated are for undergraduate entry in the 2018/19 academic year. The UK/EU fees shown are for the first year of the programme at UCL only. The Overseas fees shown are the fees that will be charged to 2018/19 entrants for each year of study on the programme, unless otherwise indicated below.

// UK & EU: £9,250 (2018/19)
// Overseas: £20,040 (2018/19)

Full details of UCL’s tuition fees, tuition fee policy and potential increases to fees can be found on the UCL Students website.

FUNDING

For a full list of departmental scholarships available in Law, please visit our website for full information

Various funding options are available, including student loans, scholarships and bursaries. UK students whose household income falls below a certain level may also be eligible for a non-repayable bursary or for certain scholarships. Please see the Fees and funding pages for more details.

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EU referendum

For up-to-date information relating to specific key questions following the UK's decision to leave the EU, please refer to: www.ucl.ac.uk/eu-referendum

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