

## Law and Expert Evidence (SECU0023)

### Description

The course has several aims, including to provide forensic science students with a clear understanding of: The UK legal system, with a specific objective of ensuring a clear understanding of where expert evidence may arise in cases. Which courts are involved in the assessment of expert evidence and what the role of judges and juries are in these cases. The legal responsibilities of expert witnesses, the limits of their role in legal cases and their legal liabilities are when giving expert evidence. What the implications (for individuals and for justice) can be when expert evidence goes wrong. Empirical evidence on judges' and juries' abilities to assess expert evidence. Current legal debates on the use of forensic evidence in court.

### Key information

<b>Year</b>	2019/20
<b>Credit value</b>	15 (150 study hours)
<b>Delivery</b>	PGT L7, Campus-based
<b>Reading List</b>	<a href="#">View on UCL website</a>
<b>Tutor</b>	<a href="#">Prof Cheryl Thomas</a>
<b>Term</b>	Term 2
<b>Timetable</b>	<a href="#">View on UCL website</a>

### Assessment



■ Coursework: 100%

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